

Rural Generalist Advanced Match – Key Dates 2026

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| <p>Wed 1/Jan - Fri 30/May</p> | <p>Pre-match Period</p> <p>Priority Group 1 candidates may be offered a pre-match by Health Service. This is to be administered through the VRGP Regional Coordinators.</p> <p>If an offer is accepted, then contracts with Priority Group 1 Candidates must be signed by both parties by the close date to be binding.</p> <p>All pre-match outcomes are to be notified to PMCV via the region's VRGP Coordinator. Pre-matched candidates are not eligible to enter the RGA Match.</p> |
| <p>Mon 8th June @10.00am</p> | <p>RG Advanced Match Applications Open</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates must first create/register for an account with PMCV. • Candidates then apply to participate in RGA match via PMCV Allocation & Placement System (APS), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nominating two referees ○ Upload CV ○ Preferencing their desired Specialty and Health Service. Candidates must meet College pre-requisites to preference the specialty. <p>Maximum of 3 preferences.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consent required for candidate information to be shared with Health Services, RG Regional Coordinators and if relevant Training Organisations. <p>Candidates are not required to send a direct application to a Health Service.</p> |
| <p>24th June @5.00pm</p> | <p>RG Advanced Applications Close</p> <p>Candidates must apply and complete the application for the RGA Match by 5pm.</p> |

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| <p>Thurs 25th June @10.00am -</p> <p>Fri 26th June @5.00pm</p> | <p>Candidate Video Interview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved candidates are required to record video interview responses. <p><i>Video interviews are used for assessment by Health Services. If you do not record an interview during the specified time, it may impact on your chances of being made an offer.</i></p> |
| <p>Monday 29th June @5.00pm</p> | <p>Final time/date for referees to submit reports Final date for referees to complete their Referee Report.</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 30th June -</p> <p>Friday 10th July @12.00pm</p> | <p>VRGP Coordination Unit Representatives - Video Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VRGP Coordination Unit representatives review videos and submitted documentation VRGP Coordination Unit representatives' assessment for eligibility for VRGP funded positions. <p>This assessment will be provided to Health Services for consideration when shortlisting for interview (if required).</p> |
| <p>13th July 2026 -</p> <p>31st July 2026</p> | <p>Health Service initial assessment/shortlisting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health Services view candidate's video and decide if they wish to do an additional interview the candidate. Health Services to notify candidates if shortlisted or if they are not progressing. |
| <p>Tuesday 28th July -</p> <p>Friday 31st July</p> | <p>Health Service Ranking and Match closes for Health Services Health Services rank candidates in order of preference through APS</p> |
| <p>5th August</p> | <p>PMCV conducts Match PMCV algorithm run to Match candidates to Health Services.</p> |
| <p>Friday 7th August @10am -</p> <p>Sunday 9th August @10am</p> | <p>Offers published Candidates will be emailed the Match results. The results are also available on candidate's dashboard via the APS.</p> <p>Acceptance of offer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All offers are considered binding Candidates should indicate their acceptance of the offer via the APS within 72 hours. Outcomes will be available to the Health Service following the 72 hours. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Health Service will be in contact with contract details in the following days. <p><i>Candidates who decline their matched offer can only do so if there are exceptional circumstances. These candidates will not be eligible to apply for other VRGP positions with another health service. Please refer to the Match Rules for additional details.</i></p> |
| <p>Mon Friday 14th August - Fri 27th November</p> | <p>Case-Management Stage VRGP Coordinators will work with candidates and Health Services to fill any unmatched positions via a case-management approach.</p> |
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