BONDED RETURN OF SERVICE SYSTEM (BROSS)

PARTICIPANT USER GUIDE

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

While this guide provides information that will support you to meet your obligations, it is not intended as a substitute for you reviewing and understanding your obligations under Part VD of the Health Insurance Act 1973 and Health Insurance (Bonded Medical Program) Rule 2020.

1.2 What is BRoSS

BRoSS is the web portal which allows you, as a Program participant, to plan, monitor and manage your obligations.

As a Program participant you are responsible for ensuring your BRoSS record is kept up to date and contains true and correct information about the milestones and events you have achieved.

BRoSS has extensive in-system guidance, notifications, messaging, whilst incorporating the latest and most effective security and personal information authentication processes.

2. Program Information

2.1 Participants Obligations

The Program is delivered and supported by the following legislation:

- Part VD of the Health Insurance Act 1973 (the Act).
- Health Insurance (Bonded Medical Program) Rule 2020 (the Rule).

More information about the Program is available on the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (the department) website.

Once you are a Program participant, you must adhere to the obligations listed in the relevant legislative instruments. These include:

- completing your Return of Service Obligations (RoSO) in an eligible regional, rural, or remote (Modified Monash Model (MMM) 2-7) area
- informing us about your RoSO in accordance with subsection 16(1) of the Rule.
- ensuring all notifiable events and milestones are up to date in BRoSS, in accordance with subsection 15(1-4) of the Rule.
- keeping your personal details up to date, as per subsection 15 (1-2) of the Rule, so you continue to receive all necessary correspondence.
- logging into BRoSS at least every 6 months. If no changes are necessary, you can log out of BRoSS without editing any information. We will be able to see that you have met this requirement as your log in date and time are recorded in BRoSS.

2.2 Completing your RoSO

As stated in section 124ZF of the Act, as a Program participant you have 18 years to complete your RoSO from the date you complete your medical course.

If you joined the Program as a new student, you must enter at least one RoSO plan in BRoSS prior to completing your medical course. If you joined the Program from a legacy program, you must enter at least one RoSO plan in BRoSS within 3 months from the date you entered the Program. The 156 weeks of RoSO can be completed over an 18-year period and can be undertaken in the following ways:

- full-time, part-time or on a per-day basis.
- as a fly-in/fly-out doctor in eligible locations.
- on-call services in an eligible location.
- paid leave that is accrued from the rendering of such a professional service.
- outreach services in an eligible location.
- aeromedical evacuation and retrieval services to patients in an eligible location; and
- telehealth services in an eligible location and delivered to patients in an eligible location.

Under section 9(3) of the Rule, you are only able to reduce your RoSO by up to 78 weeks prior to fellowship or within the first 12 years of your 18-year period. Once you attain fellowship or where you have commenced the 13th year of your 18-year period, whichever occurs first, can you complete the remaining 78 weeks, totalling 156 of RoSO. All completed RoSO plans, and uploaded evidence, will be reviewed by us. If required, further evidence will be requested to determine eligibility.

2.3 Notifiable Events

As a Program participant you are required to regularly review section 15 the Rule to assess whether any *notifiable events* are applicable given your circumstances. You must update your BRoSS record within 6 months of a notifiable event occurring.

Notifiable events include:
- Any change in name (marriage or deed poll certificate).
- Any change in your primary or secondary contact details, including your phone number, email address or postal address.
- Any change which impacts on the completion time of your course of study in medicine.
- Completion of course of study in medicine.
- Provisional registration with AHPRA.
- Commencement of an internship.
- Completion of an internship.
- General registration with AHPRA.
- Commencement of vocational training.
- Attainment of medical specialisation.

2.4 Eligible RoSO Locations

When seeking confirmation on eligible locations, we recommend that you use BRoSS. BRoSS will advise you immediately if the location is eligible while accounting for your individual circumstances. Refer to section 11 of the Rule '*Entering a planned RoSO event'* for more information.
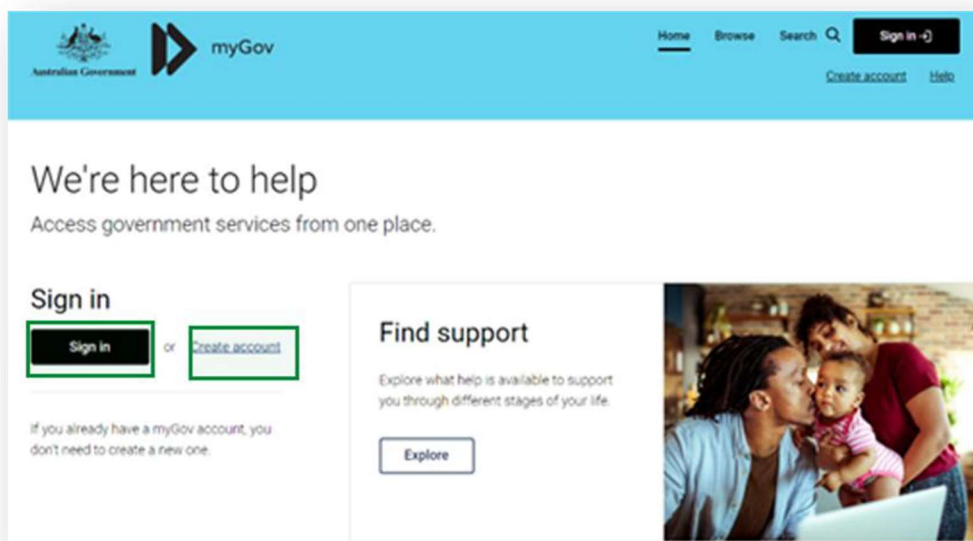
3. Login

3.1 How to log into BRoSS

You will need to have a **myGov** account to log in to BRoSS. Go to myGov Home.

- If you do not have a myGov account, please go to 'Create account' and follow the prompts to create an account. Log into your myGov account.
- If you do have a myGov account, go to 'Sign in.'

Sign in with your myGov details.

Authenticate your login.

You will need to link the '**Department of Health Applications Portal**' to your services by clicking the '**View and link services**'.

Scroll to the service and click 'Link'.

You will be taken to the Health Data Portal page, click **'Log in'**.

Select '**Login with myGov**' as your log-in credential choice.

Enter your BRoSS user ID (username) and your linking code (password) on the **'Health Authentication Gateway'** page. Your BRoSS user ID and linking code can be found within your 'Firm offer' email or the 'Welcome to the Bonded Medical Program' email sent to your primary email address.

This will be a once-off action. Once you have linked **'Department of Health Applications Portal'** as a service, the next time you try to sign in to BRoSS you will not be required to enter your BRoSS User ID (Username) and linking code or Temporary Password (Password).

You will be taken to the Health Data Portal, on the menu bar, select 'BRoSS'. Your dashboard will open.

Occasionally, you may experience log in issues such as seeing an *account inactive* message, an error message, or BRoSS may not display correctly. These are usually due to a cache or browser issue.

If you experience log in issues, please:

- Do not unlink the Department of Health Applications Portal service from your myGov account. Doing so will require you to be issued with a new temporary password, delaying access to your BRoSS record.
- Clear your cache, as this should clear any previously saved data which may be causing your BRoSS log in issues (if you need assistance on how to do this, you can google *'[Your browser name] clear browser cache'*).
- Try a different browser if you continue to experience log in issues.

If the issue persists, please reach out to our Contact Centre for assistance on **1800 987 104** (Monday-Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm AEST/AEDT).

3.2 Accepting your Firm Offer Place

Once your university position has been confirmed, you will receive an email titled - **'FIRM OFFER APPLICANT – BONDED MEDICAL PROGRAM'** which will contain information on the Program including your BRoSS User ID and Temporary Password to log in to the system.

After logging in to your BRoSS record following the steps in the 'How to Log in to the Bonded Return of Service System (BRoSS)'. Your '**My dashboard**' page will open.

Review all the information on the left-hand side of the page by opening the accordions.

Under '**Update your details**' accordion, review and update your '**Personal contact details**' **'Contact email'** and '**Mailing address**' information by clicking on the '**Edit**' button on the bottom of the page. Ensure all mandatory fields (marked orange in the Edit pages) are correct and click '**Save**'.

Once your details are updated either click on the '**Proceed with Sign-up**' link or open the '**Sign-up**' accordion to see your 'Agreement to Participate'.

∨ Sign up

Jane Citizen - Applicant

⬇ Download PDF
Copy of Part VD of the Health Insurance Act statement to participate in the Bonded Medical Program (PDF) 48KB.

The Bonded Medical Program

In this Section you are provided with the opportunity to agree to participate in the Program.

Should you not wish to participate please contact your university and advise that you will not be participating in the Program.

To learn more about the Program requirements before you agree to participate, please refer to the Learn and Plan sections on this page. Further information is also available at:

- Part VD of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (external link);
- *Health Insurance (Bonded Medical Program) Rule 2020* (external link);
- *Privacy Act 1988* (external link).

Participation in the Bonded Medical Program

The **Bonded Medical Program** (the Program) is a statutory scheme which provides students with a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) in a medical course at an Australian university, in return for a commitment to work in regional, rural or remote areas for a specified period fulfilling their **Return of Service Obligation** (RoSO).

Agreement to Participate

By agreeing to participate in the Bonded Medical Program below you will automatically enter the program and become a Bonded Medical Program participant.

Participants of the Bonded Medical Program are bound by Part VD of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (the Act) and must abide by the *Health Insurance (Bonded Medical Program) Rule 2020* (the Rule).

You become a Bonded Medical Program participant

(1) if:

    a. you reside in Australia; and
    b. you:
        i. are an Australian citizen; or
        ii. hold a permanent visa; and
    c. you have been offered a place in a course of study in medicine at an Australian university; and
    d. the offer is subject to you participating in the Bonded Medical Program; and
    e. you have accepted that offer and you are enrolled in the course of study in medicine at that Australian university; and
    f. you have agreed to participate in the Bonded Medical Program using a web portal maintained by the Department

You are a bonded participant in the Bonded Medical Program on and after the day you agree to participate in the Program until an event mentioned in subsection (4) of The Act applies in relation to you.

☐ Check this box to confirm you agree to participate in the Bonded Medical Program

Further information
For your information links to the Act and Rules is provided below:

[Submit]   [Cancel]

Read the information and if you agree, check the '**tick box**' and click '**submit**'.

A pop-up page will confirm your acceptance into the Program. Click '**Go**'.

Once you click **'Go',** you will be redirected to the BRoSS dashboard.

4. BRoSS Dashboard

4.1 Navigating your Participant Dashboard

When logging in after accepting your place in the Program or where you have opted in from a Medical Rural Bonded Scholarship Contract or Bonded Medical Places Agreement, your personal dashboard will contain information to guide you through your obligations under the Program.

Important information: is used to communicate key messages about the Program.

Learn: contains helpful information about the Program and your obligations, including your reporting requirements from the time you join the Program to the time you exit. BRoSS will assist you in managing your reporting requirements and advise what support is available to you to answer any Program questions.

BRoSS allows you to self-manage your reporting obligations, and uses in-built messaging, guidance and emails to alert you.

As a Program participant you are required to log in every 6 months and ensure all your information is up to date and adheres to the Program's reporting requirements.

Plan: contains helpful information about the Program and your RoSO obligations, including eligible work types, how and when you can complete your RoSO, and what tools are available in BRoSS to help you plan, activate, and complete your RoSO.

Manage my agreement: contains a couple of key functions. Here you can download a copy of your agreement to participate, which includes the date you joined the Program. You can also request a Program extension or a Program withdrawal quote calculation.

Tasks: will change depending on the phase you are currently in your medical career. The task banner will allow you to quickly jump straight to planning your RoSO, managing your RoSO activities, notifiable events and updating your personal details.

Student phase tasks: As a new student, you must enter at least one RoSO plan in BRoSS prior to completing your medical course.

Internship to fellow phase tasks: have planning dates set within BRoSS. If your plans change, review your record and amend your planned start or finish dates.

Program timeline: shows your last updated phase. You can click directly on your current phase or previous phase, to take you to the related notifiable events and any RoSO activities.

A green icon with a tick indicates that this phase of the timeline has been completed, a blue icon indicates that the phase is still underway, and the greyed-out icons represent the phase(s) yet to be commenced.

RoSO planning and summary bar: show the amount of RoSO you have planned (orange), current/commenced (blue), completed (green) and remaining RoSO balance (grey).

My current notifications: provides guidance on actions that are required to be undertaken in BRoSS. It will also let you know if you are approaching a reporting deadline.
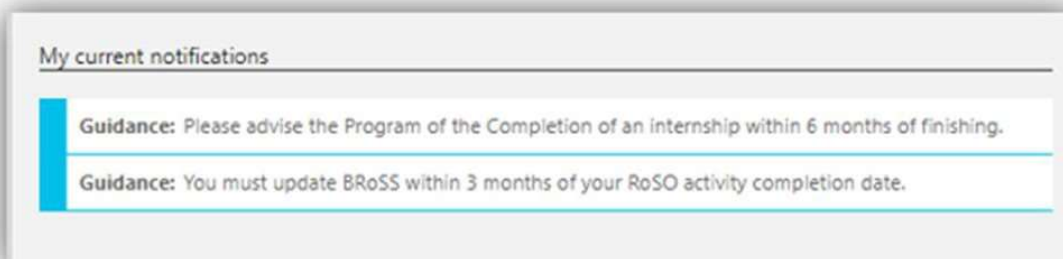
BRoSS guidance bar: is an in-system guidance feature built into every page on the right-hand side listed as 'Guidance'. Click on the arrow to read about the current page. To close the 'Guidance' bar click on the arrow and it will close.

5. RoSO

5.1 Entering a planned RoSO event

Under the Program you are required to enter a Planned RoSO event:

For participants joining as a new student: you must register a RoSO plan no later than the day you finish your medical course. You are required to log into BRoSS every 6 months from the completion date of your medical course to confirm or update the details of your RoSO plan.

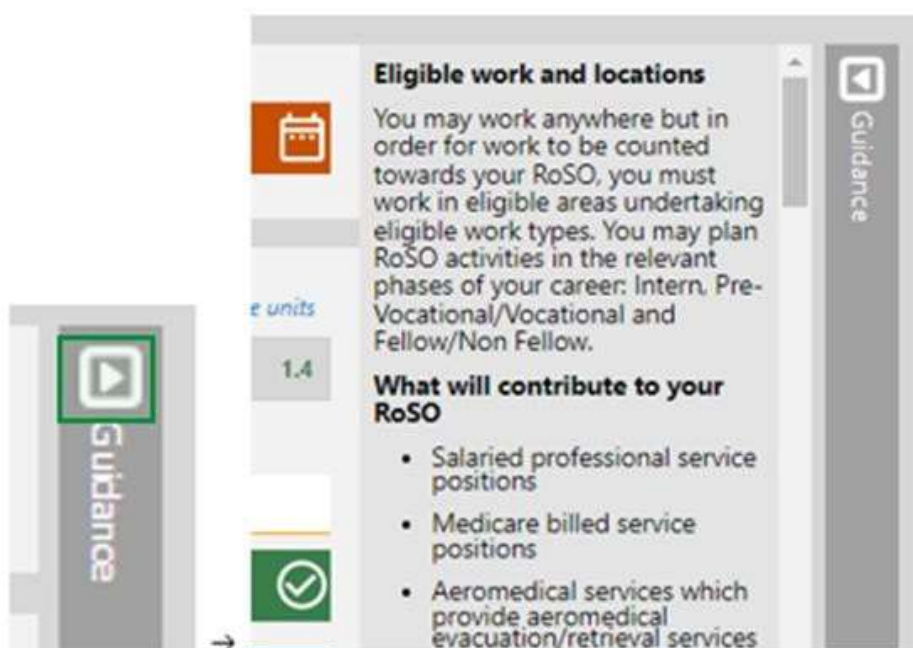**For opted-in former legacy scheme participants**: you must register a plan within 3 months from the date of opt-in. Thereafter, you are required to log into BRoSS every 6 months to confirm or update the details of your RoSO plan .

When recording RoSO, you must meet the following legislated requirements:
- It must be eligible work in an eligible location.
- Participants must plan, activate and complete their RoSO in BRoSS.
- RoSO plans must be activated within 6 months of the plan's start date.
- RoSO plans must be completed within 3 months of the plan's end date.
- RoSO activation and completion evidence must meet the requirements outlined in the Rule.

To plan a RoSO activity, click on the '**Plan a RoSO activity**' button on the '**Manage my RoSO**' page from your '**Dashboard**', this will take you to the '**Plan a RoSO activity**' page.

All mandatory fields are marked in orange, which includes:

RoSO Activity Name: when naming your RoSO activity provide a descriptive title for this specific RoSO activity. This could include the practice name and location.

Career Stage: as RoSO activities can be planned in advance, the career stage selection is to identify the stage in which the RoSO activity may be completed in.

Employment Type: you can select one of the following employment types, this will need to match your '**Expected hours per week**' entered in the estimated RoSO information.

Work can be undertaken in the following basis:

Full Time: 35 hours or over per week.
Part Time: at least 20 hours, but less than 35 hours per week.
Per Day: less than 20 hours in a week.

Planned location can either be searched by selecting a generic search '**I have an idea of the location**' button or entering the full address by selecting '**I know the full address**'.

BRoSS contains an in-bult eligible location search function. Participants can enter a town, suburb, or the full street address, and BRoSS will return an immediate assessment of the location eligibility depending on your individual circumstances. BRoSS will also let you know if that location is eligible for use towards scaling benefits.
When using the '**I have an idea of the location**' selection, enter the suburb or town to get the planned MMM classification location eligibility.

When using the '**I know the full address**' selection, enter the full address of the location into the '**Find an address**' bar, pre-filled results will show below the bar, select the correct address by clicking on the relevant address from the drop-down menu.

Once you have selected the location, BRoSS will inform you if the location is eligible by displaying a red, orange or green automated banner.

Once you have reached your Vocational phase, you can review your eligible DWS or DPA locations for your specialty in BRoSS. If BRoSS returns an ineligible location assessment you can request a review of location eligibility by selecting '**location override**'. This will automatically generate a case ticket in BRoSS for us to review .

Location overrides only exist for dual fellowship holders, or participants who are working in locations recently classified (e.g. before BRoSS is updated with new classifications). These location override requests are all individually assessed and verified before the location override is accepted.

Outside of these limited circumstances, we will decline all location override requests. All MM1 inner metropolitan locations are ineligible under the Program and will be denied.

Estimated RoSO: once you know the location is eligible you must enter the dates and hours for the RoSO activity. You can enter this using a proposed period for future RoSO planning that is not confirmed by selecting the **'I have an idea of the timeframe'** button or if you know the exact period by selecting the '**I know the planned start and end dates**' button.

You will be required to enter the '**Commencement date**', the '**Proposed completion date**' and the '**Expected hours per week**'. Once these mandatory orange fields are completed select '**Calculate**' this will display the amount of RoSO that can potentially be reduced from your obligation for this period of work.

To finalise the plan, select '**Save Plan**' at the bottom of the page.

BRoSS calculates a week from Sunday to Saturday. If your start date or end date falls on a day different to these, you will be asked to enter your '**Partial week'** hours for a specific period.

5.2 Multiple location RoSO event

Under the Program, you can complete RoSO in any eligible location. This means that you may choose to work in more than one eligible location over the same period. For example:
- you regularly work hours in eligible location A and eligible location B.
- you undertake ongoing locum and/or on call work across multiple eligible locations.
- you deliver telehealth services, where both your location and the location of your patient receiving the service are eligible.

In these circumstances, it is recommended that you record your RoSO in BRoSS as a single RoSO plan with multiple locations. Doing so will ensure the RoSO displayed in BRoSS is calculated correctly.

When you register a RoSO plan in BRoSS, it only accepts a single location to be entered. After activating your RoSO plan in BRoSS, you can enter additional locations to your plan. Your activation evidence will need to detail your work at each location entered.

You can edit and update a current plan, which includes entering additional locations. When doing so, please ensure you also upload the required evidence to support the update.

When activating your RoSO plan or editing a current RoSO plan, click on *Add a full address* to enter an additional location.

5.3 Edit a planned RoSO event

You can edit a '**Planned RoSO activity**' at any time by clicking on the RoSO activity name in blue text in the '**RoSO Activity planning**' accordion.

Click the '**Edit**' button on the '**Planned RoSO activity**' page to edit the details, then click 'Save' to update the '**Planned RoSO activity**'.

Edit all the required information and click '**Save**'.

5.4 Activating your planned RoSO event

To activate a previously planned RoSO event, open your '**Manage my RoSO**' page by clicking on the '**Plan my RoSO**' button. RoSO plans must be activated within 6 months of the plan's start date.

Evidence to be uploaded must be either a signed contract or a signed letter of agreement from your employer that confirms an eligible location has been selected, and includes the following information:

- name of the bonded participant.
- commencement date.
- expected completion date of employment.
- position name.
- employer name.
- employer address.
- primary locations of work.
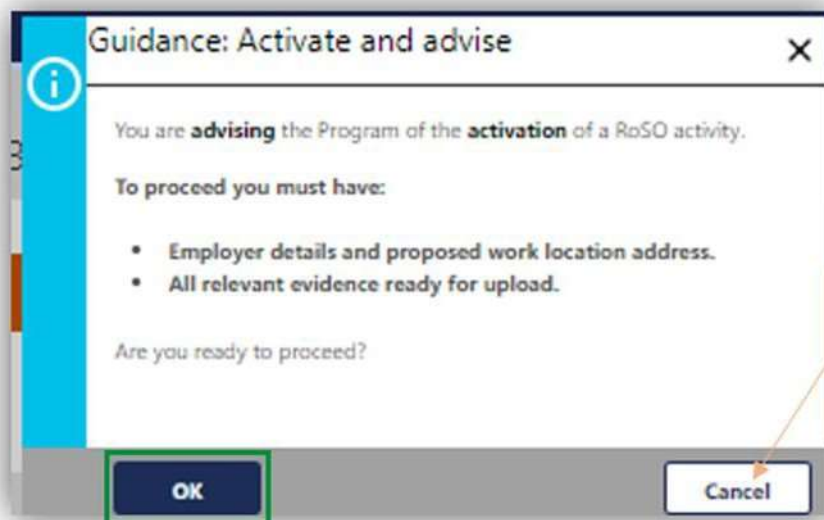- number of hours employed each week.

If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.
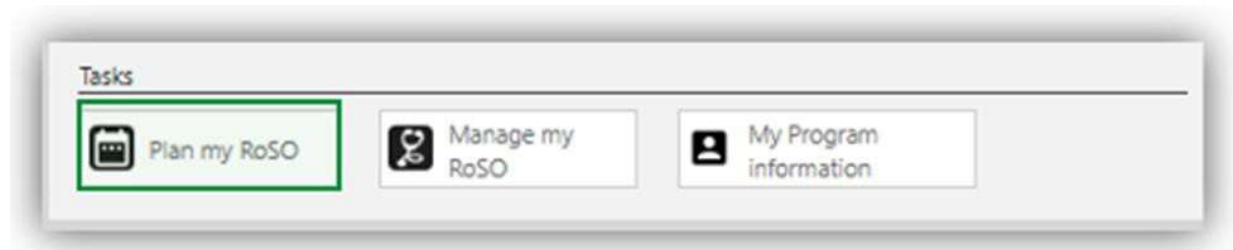
Under the '**RoSO activity planning**' accordion, it will show all your planned RoSO events. When you are ready to activate/commence your plan, click on the '**Activate and Advise**' link.

A pop-up window will show to confirm you wish to activate this RoSO plan. To continue click '**OK**'.

Guidance: Activate and advise

You are **advising** the Program of the **activation** of a RoSO activity.

To proceed you must have:

- Employer details and proposed work location address.
- All relevant evidence ready for upload.

Are you ready to proceed?

OK   Cancel

Clicking '**Cancel**' will take you back to the '**Manage my RoSO**' page.

After clicking **'OK'** the **'Advisory: Activate a RoSO activity'** page will open for you to update and enter additional mandatory orange field information before saving.

Advisory: Activate a RoSO activity

RoSO activity name	**Place holder**
RoSO activity goal notes	**No goal notes added**
Planned location	**73 Monkittee St, Braidwood, New South Wales, 2622**
Classification	**MM 5**

Contracted employment

Employer name [ ]

Career plan

Career plan	**Post-fellowship**

Activated phase

Target phase	**Fellow**
Employment type	Full Time ⌄

> **Reminder** – Opted-in 1-year BMP participants must complete RoSO on a Full-Time basis only.

Employment location

Add at least one address in a rural city, regional centre or town, or an eligible medical practice location, that you are contracted to work in.

Address	**73 Monkittee St, Braidwood, New South Wales, 2622**
Modified Monash classification	**MM 5 (2019)**
Billing type	⬡ Employment Contract
	⬡ Medicare Provider

Set location   Cancel   Remove location

⊙ Add a full address

Calculated RoSO

Commencement date	01/05/2023 🗓

> *Under the Program a week is classified as **Sunday to Saturday**.

	Hours	Minutes	
Partial week: Start	38	00 ⌄	Your RoSO activity starts with a partial week. How many hours were worked between 01/05/2023 – 06/05/2023

Proposed completion date	31/05/2023 🗓

	Hours	Minutes	
Partial week: End	20	00 ⌄	Your RoSO activity ends with a partial week. How many hours were worked between 28/05/2023 – 31/05/2023
Contracted hours per week	38	00 ⌄	

> If you commence work on a day other than Sunday and complete on a day other than Saturday, you can enter the hours you worked in those partial weeks to allow an accurate RoSO calculation.

Calculated RoSO Weeks	**5.0** **Show breakdown**

Calculate

Upload evidence

Upload a copy of your employment contract.

Choose Files

No documents listed

Submit event   Cancel

5.5 Edit your current Activated RoSO event

You can edit your current activated RoSO activity at any time by clicking on the RoSO activity name in the relevant phase accordion.

Click the '**Edit**' button on the '**Activated RoSO activity**' page to edit the details, then click '**Save**' to update the Planned RoSO activity.

5.6 Entering Per-Day RoSO in a current RoSO event

Under the Program, you can complete your RoSO on a full time, part time, or per day basis. The type of RoSO plan you create and how you record your work hours will depend on how you are employed and how many hours you work each week.

For all three plan types, the maximum RoSO that you can accrue in any given week is one week. BRoSS calculates a week from Sunday to Saturday.

- **Full time:** you can accrue one week of RoSO on a full-time basis if you have undertaken eligible work in an eligible location for at least 35 hours or more in that week.
- **Part time:** you can accrue one week of RoSO on a part time basis if you undertake eligible work at an eligible location for at least 20 hours, but less than 35 hours, in that week.
- **Per day:** you can accrue one week of RoSO on a per day basis if you undertake 20 hours of eligible work in an eligible location over two or more days. Unlike full time or part time plans, there is no requirement for per day work to be undertaken within a single week. The hours you work and record in BRoSS will be banked in the system. Once you reach 20 hours of eligible work you will be credited one week of RoSO.

Per day RoSO plans can be entered when:
- you regularly work less than 20 hours per week in an eligible location.
- you work fluctuating hours, and do not consistently meet the definition of part time or full time.
- you work as a contractor or locum, with periods of unpaid leave that is not counted as RoSO.
- you work in a telehealth role, delivering services to patients in both eligible and ineligible locations, so the amount of work considered eligible for RoSO can fluctuate daily.

To update a per day basis plan, open your '**Manage my RoSO'** page and click on the blue RoSO activity title.

This will allow you to update your daily hours and locations via the '**View: Activated RoSO activity**'. Scroll to the bottom to view the '**Hours by week**' section. Click '**Edit**' against your current week to enter your hours and locations.

If your work week does not show, you can add additional weeks by clicking '**Add week'** link.

Click on the '**Edit**' link of the week you need to update.

The '**Edit week entry**' page will open.

Click on the '**Add location**' link and enter the hours and location(s) worked that day from the dropdown menu.

Once you have entered all your data for the day(s)/week, click '**Save**' at the bottom of the page. You will be taken back to your '**View: Activated RoSO activity**' page.

Your '**Current RoSO weeks**' will show once you have accumulated greater than 20 hours of RoSO.

5.7 Completing current RoSO event

To update you current RoSO activity with your completion information, go to your **'Manage my RoSO'** page and then open the relevant phase accordion for your RoSO activity. RoSO plans must be completed within 3 months of the plan's end date. Evidence to be uploaded must be from your employer and show work has been completed in accordance with your signed employment contract or letter of employment.

If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

Once you have your current RoSO event on the page, click the 'Advise' link on the 'Completion of this RoSO activity' tile.

You are required to update BRoSS within 3 months after your RoSO activity completion date.

A pop-up for the 'Guidance: Completion of this RoSO activity' page will show to ensure you have the correct information before you proceed. If you are ready to proceed, click the 'OK' button.

In the '**Advisory: Completion of this RoSO activity**' complete the mandatory orange fields and upload the relevant evidence. Once updated click the '**Submit**' button to complete this RoSO activity. The view page will then show, and you can '**Edit**' the information if required or click '**Close**' to exit the page

Advisory: Completion of this RoSO activity

RoSO activity name	**Place Holder**
RoSO activity goal notes	**No goal notes added**
Planned location	**73 Monkittee St, Braidwood, New South Wales, 2622**
Classification	**MM 5**

Contracted employment

Employer name	**Braidwood Multi Purpose Service**

Career plan

Career plan	**Pre-fellowship**

Phase options

Target phase	**Intern**
Employment type	Full Time ⌄

Employment locations

Address	**73 Monkittee St, Braidwood, New South Wales, 2622**
Modified Monash classification	**MM 5 (2019)**

[Remove location]

⊙ Add a full address

Calculated RoSO

Commencement date	**09-05-2023**
Partial week: Start	Hours [ ] Minutes [00 ⌄] Your RoSO activity starts with a partial week. How many hours were worked between 09/05/2023 - 13/05/2023
Proposed completion date	**17-06-2023**
Actual completion date	[ ] 🗓
Actual hours per week	Hours [38] Minutes [00 ⌄]
Calculated RoSO Weeks	**6.0** **Show breakdown**

[Calculate]

Uploaded activation evidence

Document 1:	**Required Evidence.pdf**

Upload completion evidence

[Choose Files]

No documents listed

[**Submit**]   [Cancel]

Your RoSO event will now show as green as it has been completed. This activity will reflect in your RoSO summary bar in green.

All completed RoSO will be reviewed to confirm eligibility.

6. Phases

6.1 Entering Medical Course duration changes

To update your '**Prevocational**' phase with your APHRA registration and Medicare provider number, go to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page and then under the '**Prevocational**' accordion.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page from your dashboard by clicking on either the '**Manage my RoSO**' button or the '**Prevocational**' button under the Program timeline.

To enter your '**APHRA registration**' click on the '**Advise**' link under the '**Prevocational**' accordion.

In the '**Advisory: General registration with AHPRA**' page, complete all mandatory orange fields and upload the required evidence from AHPRA that general registration has been attained. If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

The final field '**Vocational training goal'** is the future date that you think you will commence training with your specialty college, which can be changed at any time. If you do not intend to undertake vocational training, enter a date that falls after your Program completion date to avoid receiving automated reminders.

Click '**Submit**' once completed.

6.2 Completing Student Phase

To update your **'Student'** phase with your medical course completion, go to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page and select the '**Studen**t' accordion.

You must update in BRoSS any change which impacts on the completion time of your course of study in medicine. Evidence must be from the university confirming the change and including the following information:

- name of the bonded participant.
- date of the evidence.
- date on which the change takes effect.
- date on which the approved change of circumstances has been completed.

If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page by clicking on the '**Student**' button under the Program timeline.
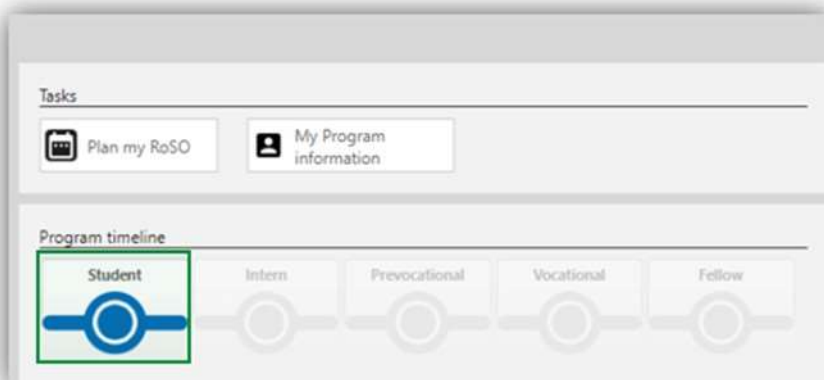
On the '**Completion of medical course'** tile click the '**Advise**' link.
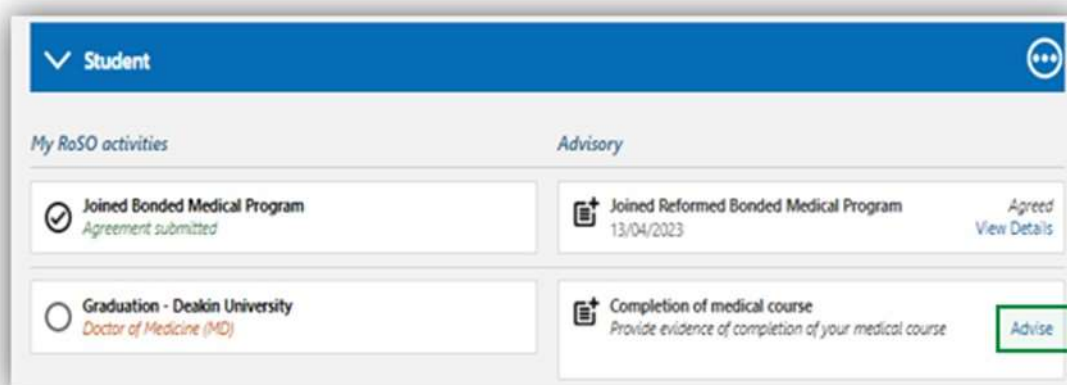
In the '**Advisory: Completion of medical course'** fill in the required information, upload your evidence and click '**Submit**'.

After submitting this advisory, your '**Student**' accordion will change to green with a tick and the '**Intern**' accordion will now be blue.

6.3 Entering your Internship Information

To update your '**Intern**' phase with your APHRA registration and internship details, go to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page and then select the '**Intern**' accordion. Internship and vocational training sections also have planning dates set within BRoSS. If your plans change, review your record, and amend your planned start or finish date.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO'** page from your dashboard by clicking on either the '**Manage my RoSO'** button or the '**Intern**' button under the Program timeline.
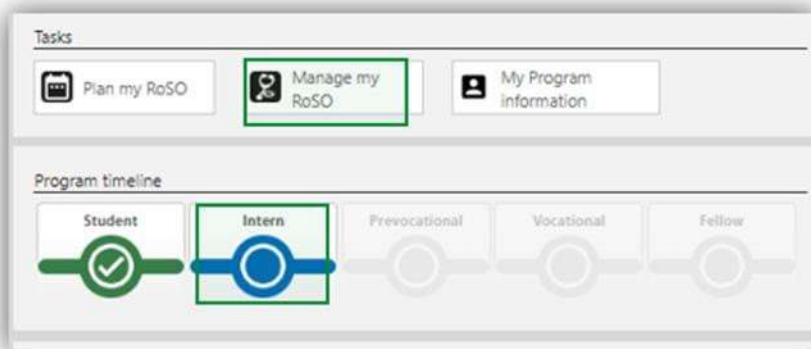
To enter your '**Provisional registration with APHRA**' click on the '**Advise**' link.
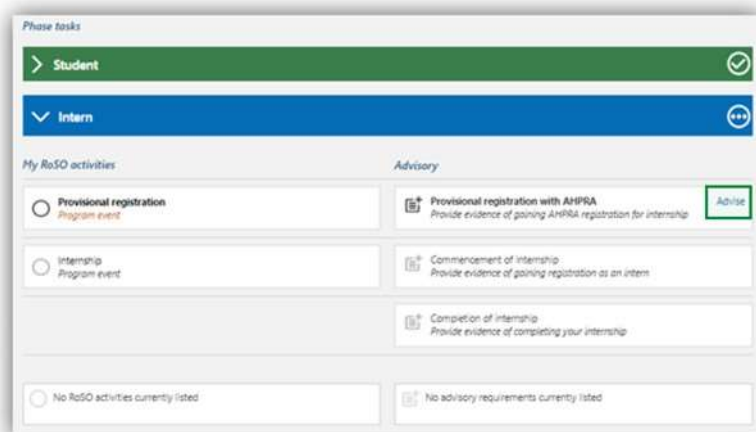
In the '**Advisory: Provisional registration with APHRA'** complete the mandatory orange fields and upload the required evidence from APHRA showing that provisional registration has been attained.

Click '**Submit**' once completed.

You will be taken back to the '**Manage my RoSO**' page, there will now be green text with a tick next to the event tile.

To enter your '**Commencement of internship**' details click the '**Advise**' link.

In the '**Advisory: Commencement of internship**' complete the mandatory orange fields, adding your facility address and upload a signed contract of employment or letter of agreement from your employer, including:

- name of the bonded participant.
- commencement date of the internship.
- expected completion date of the internship.
- position name.
- facility name.
- facility address.
- number of hours employed each week.

If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

Click '**Submit**' once completed.

You will be taken back to the '**Manage my RoSO**' page, there will now be three dots next to the event title that indicate your internship is activated.

6.4 Completing your Internship Phase

On the completion of your internship training, you will need to update your BRoSS '**Intern**' phase on your '**Manage my RoSO**' page.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page from your dashboard by clicking on either the '**Manage my RoSO**' button or the '**Intern**' button under the Program timeline.

Click on the '**Advise**' link on the '**Completion of internship**' tile.

Enter the date you completed your internship and click '**Submit**'.

Your '**Manage my RoSO**' page will update so your '**Intern**' phase will now be green, and your '**Prevocational**' phase will be blue.

6.5 Commencing your Prevocational training Phase

To update your '**Prevocational**' phase with your APHRA registration and Medicare provider number, go to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page and then under the '**Prevocational**' accordion.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page from your dashboard by clicking on either the '**Manage my RoSO**' button or the '**Prevocational**' button under the Program timeline.

To enter your '**APHRA registration**' click on the '**Advise**' link under the '**Prevocational**' accordion.

In the '**Advisory: General registration with AHPRA**' page, complete all mandatory orange fields and upload the required evidence from AHPRA that general registration has been attained. If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

The final field '**Vocational training goal**' is the future date that you think you will commence training with your specialty college, which can be changed at any time. If you do not intend to undertake vocational training, enter a date that falls after your Program completion date to avoid receiving automated reminders.

Click '**Submit**' once completed.

6.6 Commencing your Vocational Phase

To update your '**Vocationa**l' phase with your training college details, go to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page and then under the '**Vocational**' accordion.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page from your dashboard by clicking on the '**Manage my RoSO'** button or the '**Prevocational**' phase under the Program timeline.
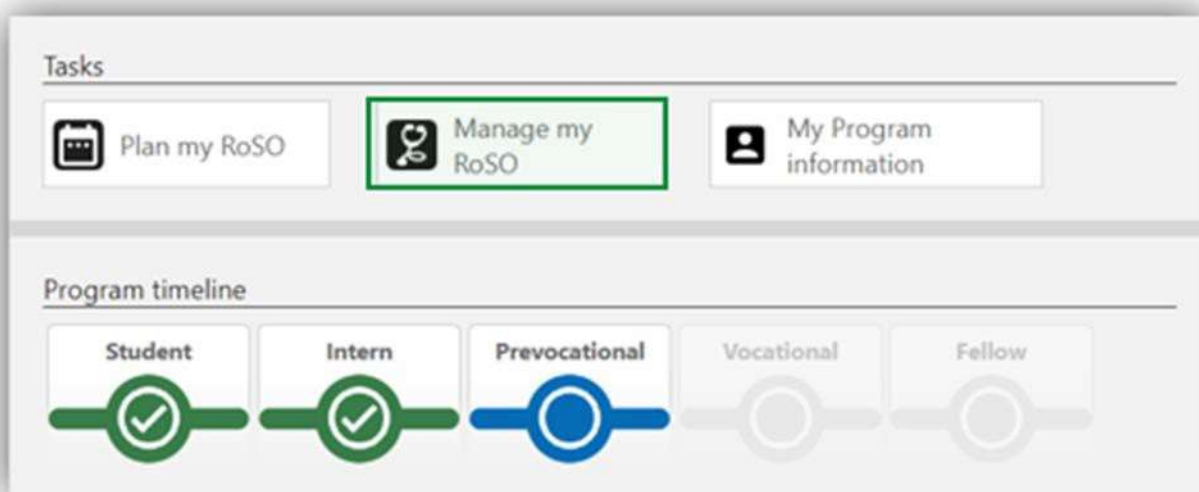
The '**Vocational**' accordion will be greyed out until you '**Advise**' of your '**Commencement of vocational training**' by clicking on the '**Advise**' link.
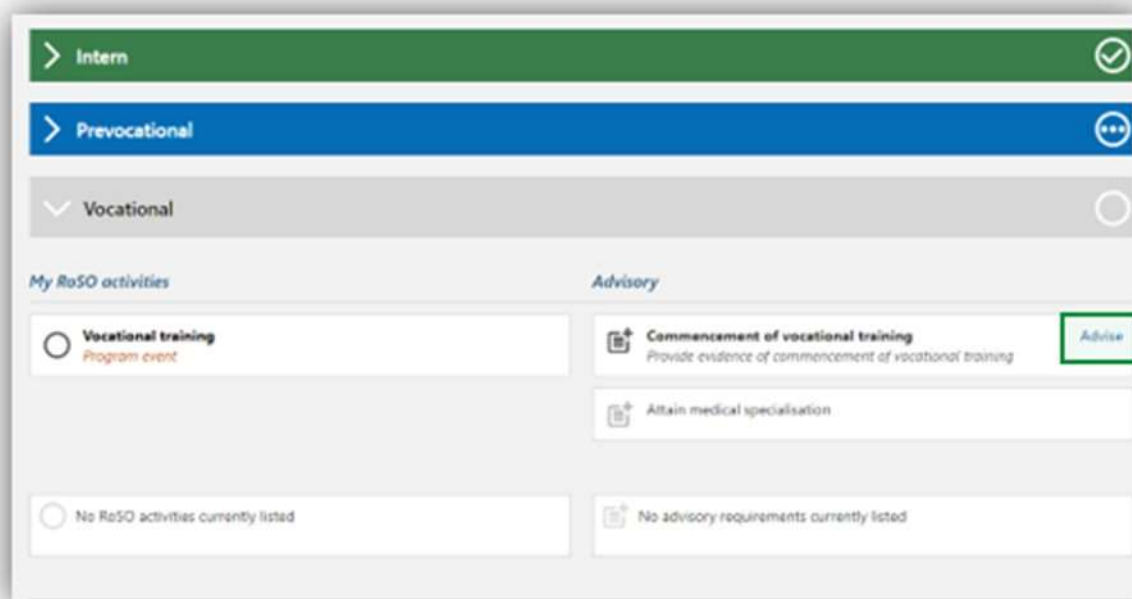
In the '**Advisory: Commencement of vocational training**' page, complete all mandatory orange fields and upload evidence from both the medical college that you have enrolled in vocational training and evidence from your employer. Evidence must include both of the following:

- information from the medical college, including:
  - o date of commencement of vocational training.
  - o anticipated date of completion.
  - o name of the medical college.
  - o type of specialisation; and
- a signed employment contract or signed letter of agreement from your employer, including the following information:
  - o name of the bonded participant.
  - o employment commencement date.
  - o expected employment completion date.
  - o position name.
  - o facility name.
  - o facility address.
  - o number of hours employed each week.

When entering your specialty work placement details, you are required to provide your work contract or Medicare provider number (including location specific provider number).

If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

Click '**Submit**'.

Once completed, the accordion will change to blue as it is now your current phase.

6.7 Attaining Fellowship – Completing your Vocational Phase

To update your '**Vocational**' phase with your fellowship details, go to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page and then under the '**Vocational**' accordion.

You can get to your '**Manage my RoSO**' page from your dashboard by clicking on either the '**Manage my RoSO**' button or the '**Vocational**' button under the Program timeline.

Under the '**Vocational**' accordion, click on the '**Advise**' link on the '**Attain medical specialisation**' tile.

The '**Advisory: Attain medical specialisation**' page will open. Enter the date you attained your Fellowship and upload your evidence. Evidence must be from the relevant medical college and include:

- name of the bonded participant.
- name of the medical college.
- type of specialisation.
- date the specialisation was attained.

If you are unable to provide the evidence outlined, you may provide a statutory declaration that includes all the required information.

then click '**Submit'.**

If you are undertaking a dual speciality, you can add a second vocational training specialisation in BRoSS. To add this, under your Vocational or Fellow phase accordion, select *Add another vocational training specialisation*.

Once you begin your training for your second specialty, you will need to 'Advise' your *Commencement of vocational training*.

Locations that are eligible under your second speciality may require you to lodge a location override request. Refer to the location override section for information on how to do this.

Advisory: Commencement of vocational training

The following details are required to notify the Program of commencement of vocational training.

Training organisation

Qualification code: **FRCPA**

Name of medical college: The Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia

Speciality: -

Qualifications: **Fellowship of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia**

Vocational training dates

Commencement date: [ ] 🗓

Proposed completion date: [ ] 🗓

Employment details

Position name: [ ]

Facility name: [ ]

Expected hours per week: 0.00

Employment type: -

Facility location

The address for at least one facility is required, however multiple facility addresses may be added.

⊙ Add a full address

Upload evidence

Provide evidence of commencement of vocational training.

Choose Files

No documents listed

Submit   Cancel

To advise your commencement of vocational training, input your information into the mandatory orange fields. You must also add your facility location/s and upload evidence. Once completed, click *Submit.*

Both specialties will now appear on your BRoSS record.

Your '**Manage my RoSO**' page will update so your '**Fellow**' phase will now be blue, and your '**Vocational**' phase will be green.

If you have more than one specialty you can add it here by clicking this button.¶

Once you have attained fellowship, BRoSS will allow you to complete the final 78 weeks of your RoSO as per section 9(3) of the Rule. If you do not attain fellowship, you will able to complete the final 78 weeks on the day 12 years after the day you completed your course of study in medicine.

7. Managing your Agreement

7.1 Requesting an Extension to Program timeline

A participant may apply for an extension to program if the participant, or a member of the bonded participant's family, has a medical condition that prevents the bonded participant from completing their RoSO within the 18-year period required by paragraph 124ZF(2)(a) of the Act.

A **member of your family** is defined as a partner, child, grandchild, parent, grandparent or sibling of the bonded participant; or a person who satisfies the following criteria:

- the person is a relation of the bonded participant;
- the bonded participant has significant responsibility for the care of the person;
- there are no family members (other than the bonded participant) who are able to provide care to the person;
- the person is not on a temporary visa; and
- the person has not been provided with an assurance of support in relation to the grant of a visa.

The **medical condition** must not have been reasonably foreseen when you entered the Program, and must either:

- Require treatment or care for which Medicare benefits are payable, or
- Require treatment of care for which pharmaceutical benefits are payable, or
- Require treatment of care in a hospital.

You must also upload evidence of the medical condition from a treating practitioner dated within 3 months from the date of your application. The treating practitioner must:

- have sufficient expertise, qualifications and specialist registration to provide the medical evidence; and
- state for how long they have known you or your family member, as the case may be; and
- state that they do not have a personal or professional relationship with you or any potential conflicts of interest; and
- state why the bonded participant cannot complete their return of service obligation within the 18 year period.

These extension of time requirements are outlined in section 11 - 13 of the Rule.

To submit your request, click on the '**Manage my agreement**' accordion on the bottom left side of the '**My dashboard**' page.

The '**Manage my agreement**' accordion will open. Click on the '**Program extension**' button.

The '**My Program information'** page will open, click on the '**Program extension**' accordion at the bottom of the page. This page will show your current Program completion date.

Click the '**Request**' button, enter your '**Proposed completion date**'. The new completion date should not extend the period to complete your RoSO by more than 2 years. Ensure the evidence you upload meets the requirements outlined in section 13 of the Rule.

Once you click on the '**Submit Request**' button, the below '**Warning**' page will show, click '**OK**' to continue with your extension request.

Clicking '**Cancel**' will take you back to the 'Manage my RoSO' page.

Your '**Program extension**' accordion will update to '**Pending**' status and show your extension request and '**Status**'. The '**View/Edit**' button will enable you to amend your request.

Your request will be reviewed and you will be contacted if additional evidence is required, or when a decision has been made.

If you would like to cancel your request, please email the BondedMedicalProgram@health.gov.au providing your details and the reason for cancellation.

7.2 Withdrawing from the Program

Once you have agreed or opted in to the Program you can withdraw at any time. You can request a '**Withdrawal Repayment estimate'** report by clicking the '**My dashboard**' page, open the '**Manage my agreement**' accordion on the bottom left side of the dashboard.

The '**Manage my agreement**' accordion will open. Click on the '**Withdraw from the Program**' button.

The opening pages will be different depending on whether you have opted-in to the Program via the BMP Scheme the MRBS Scheme or began with the Program. These processes are detailed in the following sections.

7.3 Withdrawing as a former Bonded Medical Rural Bonded Scholarship (MRBS) scheme participant

If you withdraw prior to your second-year census date you are not required to repay the CSP amount.

Once you have clicked on the '**Withdraw from the Program**' button the '**Estimate: Withdraw from the Program**' page will open. Enter the '**Proposed withdrawal date**' and click 'Next'.

Estimate: Withdraw from the Program

ⓘ You currently have no RoSO open and you have not advised of any new RoSO since you requested your last repayment estimation report.

ⓘ **OK to proceed. You can proceed with the withdrawal estimation, or Notice to Withdraw by selecting Next.**
The Department recommends you seek your own legal and financial advice in relation to your withdrawal from the Program to ensure that you understand and accept the consequences of withdrawal.

Please note: your withdrawal estimate will only be as up to date as your BRoSS record. Ensure your medical course attendance and RoSO is recorded correctly.

Program details

Bonded date   07/12/2022

Expected end date   01/07/2038

Proposed withdrawal date   27/07/2023

Next   Cancel

In the '**Estimated: Withdraw from the Program**' page, you can download a repayment estimation report that contains information about your withdrawal. Click '**Close**' once reviewed.

Estimated: Withdraw from the Program

✓ Eligible to withdraw from the Program

Participant name	**Jane Citizen**
Participant ID	**226681**
	Program details
Bonded date	**07/12/2022**
Expected end date	**01/07/2038**
Proposed withdrawal date	**31/07/2023**
	Repayment calculation
RoSO Completed to date	**1.4 months**
Total RoSO obligation	**36.0 months**
Calculated CSP	**$104,029.00**
Estimated repayment	**$99,983.43**
	Related documents

Date	Type	Download
27-07-2023	Repayment estimation report	1084251735 27-07-2023 - Repayment estimation report.pdf

Close

You will return to the '**My dashboard**' page. If you would like to continue with your withdrawal request or get an updated withdrawal repayment estimate, open your '**Manage my agreement**' accordion and then click on the '**Withdraw from the Program**' button.

The '**View: withdraw from the Program**' page will open. There are two options available on this page:

1. you can get a new withdrawal repayment estimate by clicking on the '**Re-estimate**' button. This will update your '**Estimate: Withdraw from the Program**' page and provide a new repayment figure and report as detailed above.
2. continue with your withdrawal by clicking on the '**Withdraw**' button, which will take you to the '**View: Withdraw from the Program'** page.

After clicking on the '**Withdraw**' button, the pop-up '**Warning**' page will show. Click '**OK**' to continue with your withdrawal from the Program.

The '**Advise: Withdraw from the Program**' page will allow you to update and complete your withdrawal request. Once completed click '**Next**' to submit the request.

If you select the '**Exceptional Circumstances**' – you will be required to provide sufficient evidence and documentation to enable the Secretary (or Delegate) to make an informed decision.

If you select '**Other**' you will also be required to provide additional information in the new field.

After clicking '**Next**' the '**Advised: Withdrawal from the Program**' page will show your withdrawal information that has been submitted for assessment.

Your withdrawal request will be reviewed and you will be contacted if additional evidence is required. You will be provided with an invoice when your withdrawal request is processed.

For '**Exceptional Circumstances**', we will send you an email with the decision outcome.

If you would like to cancel your withdrawal request, please email the BondedMedicalProgram@health.gov.au providing your details and the reason of cancellation.

7.4 Withdrawing as a former Bonded Medical Places (BMP) Scheme Participant who has opted-in

Withdrawing from the Program as an opted-in MRBS participant will mean Medicare benefits are not payable for a period of six (6) years from the date you withdraw, in accordance with section 124ZQ(4) of the Act.

Once you have clicked on the **'Withdraw from the Program'** button the **'Estimate: Withdraw from the Program'** page will open. Enter the **'Proposed withdrawal date'** and click **'Next'**.

After clicking on the '**Next**' button the pop-up '**Warning**' page will show, click '**OK**' to continue with your withdrawal request from the Program.

The '**Estimated: Withdraw from the Program**' page will open with your '**Repayment estimation request**' document used to provide an estimate of your repayment amount.

Once your request is submitted, an estimate of your repayment amount will be emailed to you within 4 weeks, based on your BRoSS record. The estimate will account for all currently active and completed RoSO activities up to the proposed withdrawal date.

Once you receive your estimate, go to the '**My dashboard**' page.

Open your '**Manage my agreement**' accordion and then click on the '**Withdraw from the Program**' button to open the '**View: Withdrawal from the Program**' page. Your '**New MRBS repayment estimation.pdf**' can be downloaded from here.

There are two options on this page:

    1.1.1   You can get a new withdrawal repayment estimate by clicking on the '**Re-estimate'** button, this will take you back to the '**Estimate: Withdraw from the Program**' page as detailed above.

    1.1.2   Continue with your withdrawal by clicking on the '**Withdraw**' button which will take you to the '**View: Withdraw from the Program'** page.

After clicking on the '**Withdraw**' button the pop-up '**Warning**' page will show. Click '**OK**' to confirm and continue with your withdrawal from the Program.

Clicking 'Cancel' will take you back to the 'Manage my RoSO' page.

The '**Advise: Individualised repayment estimation**' page, will show for you to update and complete for your withdrawal request, once completed click '**Next**' to submit your withdrawal.

Select the most appropriate reason for your withdrawal from the dropdown menu.¶

If you select the '**Exceptional Circumstances**' – you will be required to provide additional information in a new field and upload any evidence to support your request.

If you select '**Other**' you will also be required to provide additional information in the new field.

After clicking '**Next**' the '**Advised: Withdrawal from the Program**' page will show your withdrawal information that will be used for your withdrawal request.

Your withdrawal request will be reviewed and you will be contacted if additional evidence is required. You will be provided with an invoice once your withdrawal request is processed.

For '**Exceptional Circumstances**' we will send you an email with the decision outcome.

If you would like to cancel your withdrawal request, please email the BondedMedicalProgram@health.gov.au providing your details and the reason of cancelation.

- (Monday-Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm AEST/AEDT).