National Consistent Payments (NCP) Fact Sheet

The **National Consistent Payments (NCP) Framework** provides a clear and transparent nationally consistent framework of financial support available to eligible participants in the Commonwealth-funded GP training programs.

- Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program
- Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS)

The NCP framework outlines eligibility criteria for payments, the rate of payments provided to participants based on full-time equivalent (FTE) training load of the registrar, the core general practice training term, and location of training based on the Modified Monash (MM) model, as well as the permitted uses of funds.

From the commencement of semester one 2026, GP Training Incentives Payments (salary incentive, study leave incentive, parental leave incentive) will be available for eligible AGPT and RVTS registrars. For information on the GP Training Incentive Payments please visit: www.health.gov.au/our-work/gp-training-incentive-payments.

Training Program	Eligible payment types						
	Registrar Payment	Practice Payment	Supervisor Payment	Salary Support Payment	Salary Incentive	Study Leave Incentive	Parental Leave Incentive
AGPT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
RVTS					✓	✓	✓

This fact sheet covers information on registrar payments, supervisor payments, practices payments (including Salary Support) and Flexible pool of funds for AGPT participants ONLY.

Eligibility

To be eligible for NCP payments, participants must be on the AGPT program. Participants include supervisors, practices and registrars deemed eligible by the GP training colleges (the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) and the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP)).

For further information on eligibility, payment rates and access to payments, please contact the relevant college:

Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM)		
1800 223 226 <u>payments@acrrm.org.au</u>		
Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP)		
1800 472 247	agpt.support@racgp.org.au	

For full details of the NCPs, please refer to the <u>NCP framework and guidelines</u> on the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing website.

How NCP payments are determined

Payments to all participants are based on:

- 1. Tiered rural loading according to the MM model geographical regions MM1 to MM7 across Australia.
- 2. The core training term of the registrar.
- 3. The pro-rata FTE training of the registrar. *Note: The pro-rata FTE of registrar payments has come into effect as of semester two, 2025.*

Types of NCP payments

Payment rates are captured on the following page of this document. For further details on existing payment types, please read the NCP framework and guidelines. **GP Training Incentive Payments** can be found at www.health.gov.au/our-work/gp-training-incentive-payments.

Registrar payments

Use	To support registrars in their individual circumstances and can be used for relocation, rent, travel and accommodation for education and training activities, self-directed learning support, wellbeing and psychological support, or learning materials.
Exclusions	Registrar payments are not available for training in MM1 locations.
	Registrars who are participating in Advanced Specialised Training or Additional Rural Skills Training are not eligible for registrar payments.
	Registrars who are involved in an extension assessment term or any other GP training term extensions will not be provided with support payments under the NCP framework.
Frequency	Each core training term (GPT1/CGT1, GPT2/CGT2, GPT3/CGT3, GPT4/CGT4/ES).

Timing	Paid in advance, at the commencement of the semester or each core
	training term.

Supervisor payments

Use	To support activities associated with supervising a registrar for example, in- practice mentoring, formal and informal teaching activities, case discussions and competency assessments.
Exclusions	Does not include clinical supervision. There is no scope for the use of NCPs to fund state/territory government funded facilities unless otherwise approved by the department in appropriate circumstances.
Frequency	First three core community general practice training terms (GPT1-GPT3 / PCT1-PCT3)
Timing	Paid monthly in arrears, either to the training practice or directly to supervisors, in consultation with the individual practice.

Practice payments

Use	Payments to incentivise and support practices to host registrars, including for the absence of a registrar while they are away training and the associated loss of income to the practice.
Exclusions	Payments are contingent on meeting training requirements. There is no scope for the use of NCPs to fund state/territory government funded facilities unless otherwise approved by the department in appropriate circumstances.
Frequency	First two core community general practice training terms (GPT1/PCT1, GPT2/PCT2) of the registrar.
Timing	Paid quarterly, the first payment made at the start of the first training term.

Salary Support payments

	Additional support payments are made to approved Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health facilities for hosting registrars. Payments are an hourly rate per FTE of the registrar as a contribution toward their salary.
Exclusions	Refer to the Salary Support Policy.

	Core training terms (GPT1-GPT4, CGT1-CGT4, AST, ARST, Mandatory Elective Units). Application is based on <u>Salary Support Policy</u> .
Timing	Paid monthly, in arrears.

Payment Rates

Location	Registrars	Supervisors	Practices	Salary Support
MM1	\$0	\$2,858.80 - \$11,945.70	\$7,657.50 - \$15,315.00	\$72.49 per hour
MM2	\$1,837.80	\$2,858.80 - \$11,945.70	\$7,657.50 - \$15,315.00	\$72.49 per hour
MM3	\$3,496.93	\$4,900.80 - \$13,987.70	\$9,699.50 - \$17,357.00	\$86.79 per hour
MM4	\$3,496.93	\$4,900.80 - \$13,987.70	\$9,699.50 - \$17,357.00	\$86.79 per hour
MM5	\$4,911.01	\$5,921.80 - \$15,008.70	\$10,720.50 - \$18,378.00	\$86.79 per hour
MM6	\$9,444.25	\$6,942.80 - \$16,029.70	\$12,762.50 - \$20,420.00	\$102.10 per hour
MM7	\$9,444.25	\$6,942.80 - \$16,029.70	\$12,762.50 - \$20,420.00	\$112.31 per hour

For detailed payment rates, please see the NCP framework.

Payments are based on the pro-rata FTE training of the registrar. *Note: The pro-rata FTE of registrar payments has come into effect as of semester two*, 2025.

From the commencement of semester one, 2026, indexation will be applied to Registrar, Supervisor and Practice Payments, including Salary Support, see table above for new rates.

Additional payments under the Flexible Payment Pool

Under the Flexible Payments Pool, additional payments may be made directly by the colleges to support AGPT participants to assist with activities to deliver quality training – especially in areas facing difficulties in attracting and retaining GPs.

For more information on flexible payments see:

ACRRM: ACRRM Flexible Funds Policy

RACGP: RACGP Flexible Funds Policy

How the payment system works

 Payments made under the NCP framework are administered by Services Australia in collaboration with the GP training colleges.

- These payments are also referred to as General Practice Training Payments (GPTP) and are delivered through a Services Australia payment system.
- All eligible participants of the college-led AGPT program need to be registered with Services Australia to receive NCPs.
- ACRRM and RACGP are responsible for validating training data and providing the data to Services Australia to initiate and facilitate the NCPs.

Notification for changes to participant's training arrangements

Further information on how to register for NCPs via the Services Australia payment system visit: Register for General Practice Training Payments.

Participants will need access to the following Services Australia systems:

	PRODA	HPOS	Organisation Register
Registrars	✓	✓	
Supervisors	✓	✓	✓
Practices	✓	✓	✓

For further information on access to Services Australia systems:

PRODA support	Organisation Register support		
1800 700 199	1800 222 032		
proda@servicesaustralia.gov.au	ORGANISATION.REGISTER@servicesaustralia.gov.au		
 PRODA (Provider Digital Access) Getting started with PRODA How to register for an individual account How to register an organisation 	 HPOS - Organisation Register Linking to an organisation in PRODA to HPOS Setting up the Organisation Register for program use 		