

Submission for 'Consultation – Pathways to registration'

I want to bring into the attention of the Medical Board of Australia the Eligibility for registration under the Competent Authority Pathway on the basis of Supervised Experience in Australia after passing the Examinations of one of the Competent Authorities viz. PLAB, USMLE, MCCLE, NZREX.

**“ELIGIBILITY ON THE BASIS OF SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE WITHIN AUSTRALIA**

The Medical Board of Australia and state medical boards have also confirmed that periods of supervised training in Australia post-examination/accredited training in a Competent Authority may substitute for completion of the required period of post-examination/training practice as defined in each competent authority model. In line with the general criteria for the Competent Authority pathway, the period of supervised work in Australia should be of an internship or rotational type experience. It is generally expected that an internship or rotational type experience in Australia would include periods worked in medicine, surgery and emergency medicine. In the event that an applicant has completed a period of supervised practice in Australia, but cannot provide evidence that it is of a satisfactory internship or rotational type experience, the medical boards may require the applicant to complete a period of internship or rotational type experience prior to granting general registration.”

Under the Proposed Changes to the Competent Authority Pathway, the steps of getting the Advanced Standing Certificate and then the AMC Certificate from the AMC will no longer apply to those who want to get registered under the Competent Authority Pathway, and the candidates will need to apply directly to AHPRA for Provisional Registration then what will be the process of applying for Provisional Registration under Competent Authority Pathway for those candidates who have passed a set of Exams administered by the Competent Authorities viz. PLAB, USMLE, NZREX, MCCLE but have a Post Examination Work/Clinical Experience from Australia itself.

Dr Aamer Rashid,  
Mount Isa, QLD,  
Australia.