

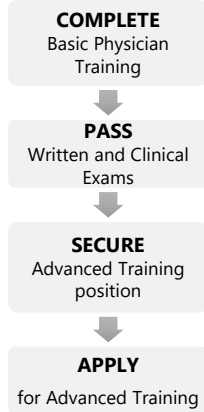
# ADVANCED TRAINING IN PALLIATIVE MEDICINE

## ENTRY

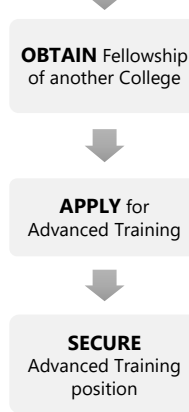
There are **two pathways** to entry into advanced training in Palliative Medicine with the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP):

- FRACP Pathway** - completion of a minimum 3 years Basic Physician Training in Adult Medicine or Paediatrics and Child Health (including passing the RACP written and clinical examinations)
- FACHPM Pathway** - having obtained Fellowship from another prescribed medical college:
  - Emergency Medicine (FACEM)
  - Rehabilitation Medicine (FAFRM)
  - Anaesthetics (FANZCA)
  - Rural and Remote Medicine (FACRRM)
  - Intensive Care Medicine (FCICM)
  - Pain Medicine (FFPMANZCA)
  - Surgery (FRACS)
  - Obstetrics & Gynaecology (FRANZCOG)
  - Psychiatry (FRANZCP)
  - Radiology (FRANZCR)
  - General Practice (FRACGP)

### FRACP Pathway



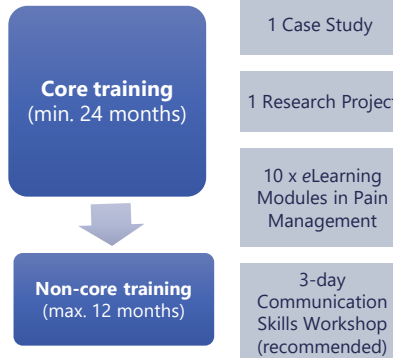
### FACHPM Pathway



## Minimum 3 years

full-time equivalent training at an accredited training site

### ADULT MEDICINE TRAINEES



### PAEDIATRICS & CHILD HEALTH TRAINEES



Candidates from both FRACP and FACHPM pathways train under the **same** curriculum however the training requirements for Adult Medicine **differ** from the requirements for Paediatrics and Child Health Trainees.

**Adult Medicine Trainees** complete 24 months core training and 12 months non-core training across SIX 6-month training terms:

- **FOUR Core terms** (min 24 months)
  1. Palliative care inpatient unit or hospice
  2. Community setting
  3. Teaching hospital/consultation service
  4. Cancer care setting
- **TWO Non-core terms** (max 12 months)
  5. hospital consultation/community/ inpatient palliative medicine or relevant specialty
  6. Elective

These terms may be completed in any order.

The College has explicit supervision requirements for each of these six training terms. For more information refer to the [program requirements](#)

**Paediatrics & Child Health Trainees** complete FOUR training terms - Core Training (min 30 months) and Non-core training (max 6 months) comprising:

1. Paediatric palliative care training (core) – min. 12 months - max. 18 months
2. Adult palliative care training (core) – min. 6 months - maximum 12 months
3. Relevant paediatric specialty training (core-other) - 6 months
4. Non-core training – including other specialties, research or academic study - 6 months

The College has explicit supervision requirements for each 6-month rotation. For more information refer to the [program requirements](#)

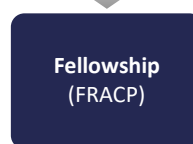
## TRAINING PROGRAM

## CPD

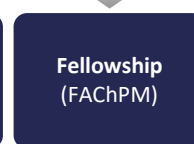
Successful trainees entering the program through RACP Basic Training will be awarded **Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (FRACP)**.

Successful trainees entering the program through Fellowship of another College are awarded **Fellowship of the Australasian Chapter of Palliative Medicine (FACHPM)**.

### FRACP Pathway



### FACHPM Pathway



**Continuing Professional Development (CPD)**  
min. 100 credits per calendar year

### Fees (\$AUD) at July 2020

Annual Advanced Training Fee\* = \$3,646

Admission to Fellowship = \$1,344

Annual Fellowship Subscription = \$1,954

6-month Diploma Training Fee = \$1,823

For a full list of RACP fees go to

<https://www.racp.edu.au/become-a-physician/fees>

\* New and current trainees need to apply for Advanced Training each year.

### Work Based Learning

For each Training Term

- 1 x Learning Needs Analysis
- 1 x Professional Qualities Reflection

### Assessment

For each Training Term

- 1 x Supervisors Report
- 3 x Case-based Discussions
- 3 x Mini-Clinical Evaluation Exercises (mini-CEXs)

### Other Requirements

- 1 x Case Study to be submitted by the end of the first 12 months of core training
- 1 x Research Project due by 15 September in any year before the end of Advanced Training
- 10 x Pain Management eLearning Modules (a series of three long cases and seven short cases)
- 1 x three-day Communication Skills Workshop (recommended only)
- Paediatric & Child Health trainees are also required to complete a minimum of six months Developmental and Psychosocial Training (can be undertaken during Basic Training or Advanced Training)

### Accredited Training in Tasmania

The **Specialist Palliative Care Service North West** is accredited for

- Term 2 (Community setting)
- Term 5 or 6 (non-core)

The **Tasmanian Palliative Care Service South** is accredited for

- Term 1 (Inpatient Unit/Hospice) at the Whittle Palliative Care Unit
- Term 2 (Community setting) at the Community Palliative Care Service
- Term 3 (Teaching Hospital/Consultation Service) at the Royal Hobart Hospital

Trainees cannot complete all three terms in the South. One term must be completed elsewhere.

There is no accredited training for core paediatric palliative care in Tasmania.

### Clinical Diploma

The RACP also offers a Clinical Diploma of Palliative Medicine. The Diploma course is a 6-month full-time equivalent clinical attachment supervised by a Palliative Medicine Physician with FRACP (Palliative Medicine) and/or FACHPM.

Accredited training sites for the Clinical Diploma of Palliative Medicine in Tasmania are:

- Specialist Palliative Care Service North West
- Tasmanian Palliative Care Service South
- Calvary St Luke's Hospital in the North