



FACULTY OF PAIN MEDICINE

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FPM Trainee e-Newsletter

Examinations - November 2010

The Faculty held its annual examination at St Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne on the 24-26th November. 16 out of 20 candidates were successful, which is a pass rate of 80%



Congratulations to our Barbara Walker Prize Winner, Dr Rebecca Martin from Royal North Shore Hospital, NSW.

Congratulations also to our Merit Award winners Dr Nick Christelis (VIC) and Dr Frank Thomas (NZ).

The 2010 Examination Report is now available for downloading on the website. This and previous year's reports can be viewed at <http://www.anzca.edu.au/fpm/trainees/examination#examination-reports>

We now urge all candidates to submit their case reports for assessment if you have not already done so.

The 2011 Examination date and venue have been confirmed as 25 – 27 November at Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital. You will note that the examination will be held from Friday – Sunday in 2011.

The date and venue for the Pre-Examination Short Course has yet to be confirmed.

Dates to Remember

Examination Dates

25-27 November 2011
Royal Brisbane Hospital, Brisbane QLD

Closing Date for Registration: 7 October 2011

Pre-Exam Short Course

To be confirmed

Trainee News

New Fellows

Congratulations to the following trainees who completed their training requirements and were admitted to Fellowship:

By Examination and Training

10 October 2010

Dr Suyin TAN (NSW)

3 December 2010

Dr Matthew Bryant (QLD)
Dr Jing-Chen Jason Chou (VIC)

Associate Fellowship FPM

A qualification of "Associate Fellowship" has now been established as a form of recognition for those who have completed the Training and Examination requirements of the Faculty but who are not eligible for Fellowship as they do not hold Fellowship of an approved Australian or New Zealand primary specialty. (Under Faculty Regulation 3.5). Associate Fellows will become eligible for Fellowship of the Faculty of Pain Medicine upon conferral of Fellowship of a Medical College in Australia or New Zealand acceptable to the Board. This will be of particular interest to International Medical Graduates.

The Board has resolved that Associate Fellows will be eligible for formal admission during the College Ceremony at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

2011 Fee Schedule

The 2011 Schedule of Fees is now located on the Faculty website:

<http://www.anzca.edu.au/fpm/trainees/training-fees.html>

A "Registration Maintenance Fee" will be due in the New Year for those Trainees who are no longer in structured training but have outstanding requirements. Those wishing to remain registered will be required to pay a fee equal to 25% of the Annual Training Fee. Those who choose not to remain registered, but later decide to complete their training and/or assessment will need to re-enroll as a trainee. The Faculty Office will be in contact with relevant Trainees early in 2011.

Late Registration for Training

Faculty Regulation 4.3.2 stipulates that the period of structured training is deemed to commence when the trainee has completed registration with the Faculty.

In April, the Board resolved to give discretion to the Assessor to consider, under extenuating circumstances, late registrations submitted no later than the first due quarterly ITA. In October, the Board finalised regulation 4.3.4 pertaining to late registrations to take effect from January 2011. Those applying for late registration will be required to provide supporting documentation and will incur a late registration fee for the first month and a monthly fee thereafter in addition to the Annual Training Fee.

Upcoming Events

Hong Kong CSM 2011

The Combined Scientific Meeting of the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists, the Faculty of Pain Medicine and the Hong Kong College of Anaesthesiologists will be held in Hong Kong from 14-17 May 2011. The Faculty program will run 14-15 May and will be preceded by the Refresher Course (details below).

The theme of the CSM is “Seeking the Dragon Pearl”. There will be state of the art lectures, workshops and symposia on a wide range of topics covering Anaesthesia, Pain Medicine and Intensive Care Medicine presented by a distinguished list of international and regional speakers. The scientific programme will be complemented by an exciting social programme taking advantage of the many attractions that Hong Kong has to offer. A satellite meeting is also being convened in Shanghai, China.

For more information [click here](#)



2011 Refresher Course Day

This year's event "***Pain Management: Getting Closer to the Dragon Pearl***" is being held on the 13th of May at the Hong Kong Convention Centre. An exciting program of lectures, topical sessions and problem based learning discussions presented by international and national speakers has been planned to complement the two-day pain medicine program at the Combined Scientific Meeting 2011. There will be a unique blend of eastern and western influences in the program. Early registration is encouraged.

[Download Registration Form Here!](#)



2011 Combined Scientific Meeting, FPM Dean's Prize and Best Free Paper Award

The Faculty program at the CSM runs from Saturday 14th to Sunday 15th May and includes a Free Papers Session on the Sunday. See the ASM Website for further information: <http://www.csm2011.com>

The FPM Dean's Prize is awarded for original work presented in the area of Pain, judged to be a significant contribution to Pain medicine and/or Pain Research. Eligibility is limited to FPM trainees, trainees of the 5 participating professional bodies of the FPM, or Fellows of FPM within eight (8) years of admission to their original Fellowship. The prize takes the form of a certificate and a grant of \$1,000 for educational or research purposes. The prize will be awarded at the FPM Annual General Meeting which immediately follows this session. For those not eligible for the Dean's Prize, a Best Free Paper award will also be made at the FPM AGM.

Presentation of New Fellows

Trainees completing their training requirements and being admitted to Fellowship prior to the Combined Scientific Meeting (CSM) will be eligible to be formally presented at the College Ceremony in Hong Kong on Saturday 14th May. Complimentary basic registration to the CSM will be offered. Trainees intending to present are asked to indicate their intentions early to assist the organisers.

Faculty of Pain Medicine Meet and Greet – Trainee Lunch

The Faculty will convene its annual Trainee Lunch during the CSM in Hong Kong. This event is designed for trainees to not only get to know each other, but also to meet key people from the Faculty who can respond to questions about the training provide and provide valuable insight to current Trainees. This meet and greet will be taking place on **Saturday 14th May 2011** during the Combined Scientific Meeting in Hong Kong. Further information will be forwarded in due course.

Reminders

Case Report

Trainees who have completed their structured period of training, but who have outstanding Case Reports requirements are encouraged to submit these reports for assessment.

Quarterly In-Training Assessment Reports

Please submit any outstanding ITA reports. The form can be downloaded and needs to be completed by you and your Supervisor of Training and returned to the Faculty. To download [click here](#)

Exit Questionnaires

Trainees who have completed, or are about to complete, the training requirements are encouraged to complete and return the exit questionnaire. Please [click here](#) to download.

Feedback

If you would like to comment on the E-Newsletter or have any suggestions or contributions, please contact Penny McNair pmcnair@anzca.edu.au

Seasons Greetings

Finally, the Faculty staff warmly wishes all of you the very best for the Festive Season

