

## Rural Generalist Intern Joint Ticket Guide

The Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway (QRGP) is committed to ensuring recruitment, selection and balloting processes are undertaken in a fair and equitable manner and follow due process. The Pathway aims to recruit and select medical graduates who demonstrate attributes that are consistent with Queensland Health's rural medical workforce needs.

### Intent of this guide

The intent of this guide is to outline the process that occurs when a Rural Generalist Trainee applicant applies for a joint ticket.

### Scope

This guide applies to all successful Rural Generalist Trainee applicants who intend to apply for a joint ticket.

### Principles

A joint ticket enables couples who are successful in the committee review process to be allocated to the same Rural Generalist Training Hospital in internship. The following terms and conditions apply:

- Rural Generalist Trainee applicants and / or Queensland Health Rural Scholarship Scheme (QHRSS) holders who are a couple and are completing their Medical Degree at the same time are eligible to apply for a joint ticket.
- If an applicant within the couple is not a Rural Generalist Trainee or a QHRSS holder a joint ticket cannot be applied for.
- Applicants **can not** apply for a joint ticket **and** exemption / special consideration.
- Trainees must indicate intent to apply for a joint ticket by the nominated deadline. Both applicants must submit identical hospital preferences. Where this does not occur, the application will be deemed ineligible.
- Submission of supporting evidence must be received by the nominated deadline and must include all supporting documentation. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted unless extremely extenuating circumstances exist.
- Submission of a joint ticket request does not place any liability or onus on the QRGP team to ensure the request is approved.

### Definitions and supporting evidence

Within the joint ticket criteria, the terms "couple" and "partner" are defined as follows: ".....married or de facto (including same sex couples) for at least nine months at the time of application."

Please refer to Queensland Health's supporting documentation requirements for joint ticket available at: <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/employment/work-for-us/clinical/medical/recruitment/intern/conditions/priority-1/exemptions/documentation/default.asp>. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure satisfactory evidence is provided.

## Ballot rules

A successful joint ticket application **does not** preclude applicants from the oversubscribed hospital ballot process. If a successful joint ticket applicant is selected through the oversubscribed ballot process, both applicants on the joint ticket will be removed from that hospital and allocated to the next available facility where two positions remain vacant (refer Rural Generalist Intern Placement Preferencing and Ballot Guide).

## Exemption / Special Consideration and Joint Ticket Committee

Applications will be considered by the Exemption / Special Consideration and Joint Ticket Committee (the Committee) prior to the placement process. The Committee comprises the following members or their proxies:

- Office of the Chief Medical Officer (OCMO) Representatives;
- Director of Rural Generalist Training, Rural Generalist Pathway;
- Program Coordinator, Rural Generalist Pathway;
- Manager, Medical Education and Training, Cunningham Centre.

Applicants will be notified of the Committee's decision at the same time that Queensland P1 intern offers are released.

**NB: Decisions made by the Exemption / Special Consideration and Joint Ticket Committee are final and are not subject to challenge or appeal.**

## Further Information

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway team.

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## Related documents

- Rural Generalist Intern Placement Preferencing and Ballot Guide
- Rural Generalist Intern Special Exemption / Consideration Guide
- Rural Generalist Intern Recruitment Campaign dates

## Supporting documents

- Queensland Health Exemption or Special Consideration Applications  
<http://www.health.qld.gov.au/medical/intern/Exemp-special.asp>

**Review**

This document will be reviewed annually.

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