



Centralised Match for Advanced Training in Geriatric Medicine in 2023

Registration for the match for advanced training in geriatric medicine is now open. This document offers guidance to address some of the questions you may have in making your decision.

Why train in geriatric medicine?

As a group, geriatricians are among the most satisfied of all medical specialties.

Geriatric Medicine supports a flexible approach to training.

As a graduate you will have a diverse range of work opportunities to serve an ageing population.

You are welcome to speak to one of our current trainees about their perspectives:

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Who runs the centralised match?

The Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria (PMCV) runs the match on behalf of RACP and the Victorian Geriatric Medicine Training Program (VGMTP).

How do I participate in the match?

All full-time appointments for advanced training in geriatric medicine are made through the match. There are two important steps that you must follow.

1. Registration with PMCV. <https://www.pmcv.com.au/2022-geriatric-medicine-new-trainees-vic-match/>
2. Applying for appointment with the health services, via their website.

You cannot be matched to a training position without completing both steps.

When can I apply for the match?

Applications opened with PMCV on the 2nd of August.

The closing date for applications is 23rd of August at 5PM.

Please check with each health service regarding the closing dates for applications. The closing dates may differ.

Do not rush your application or leave it to the last minute.

Does participation in the match guarantee employment?

There is no guarantee that participation in the match will result in employment. The match is highly competitive. You are encouraged to apply widely.

You cannot be matched to a health service where you have not applied. Based on past experience, most applicants will be successfully matched to one of their top preferences, but there may be a few who miss

out because they did not apply widely enough. Do not apply to a health service where you would not be prepared to work. The result of the match are binding.

There may be a few unfilled positions after the match.

Should I contact the Directors of Geriatric Medicine?

It is a personal decision whether you contact the Directors of Geriatric Medicine, or their nominee, after submitting your job application.

It is often helpful to have spoken to the Director prior to a job interview.

Will all applicants be offered a job interview?

This decision is made by the individual health services. Not all applicants will be offered a job interview.

When do I need to submit my final preference list to PMCV?

When you register with PMCV you will be asked to list positions/health services. Only the health services that you have listed will be able to see your application details.

You will not be able to add any additional positions/health services after the 23rd of August, but you may reorder your preference list including deleting positions/health services until the 8th of September at 5:00 PM.

You may withdraw from the match until the 8th of September at 5PM.

Can I apply for part-time position in the match?

The match is exclusively for full-time training positions.

Part-time appointments are made outside the match. Please contact the health services in this regard.

- If you secure a part-time position, you must not participate in the match, as the result of the match are binding.
- If you have not been successful in securing a part-time position, then you may participate in the match in the understanding that it is for full-time positions.

For more information:

- **Victorian Geriatric Medicine Training Program (VGMTP)**
 - VGMTP sends email updates throughout the match. To join the mailing list contact vgmtp@svha.org.au and including your name and email address.
 - Details of the match are also available at <http://www.vgmtp.org/>

- **Postgraduate Medical Foundation of Victoria (PMCV)**
 - <https://www.pmcv.com.au/2022-geriatric-medicine-new-trainees-vic-match/>
 - Geriatric Medicine is part of the **RACP Combined Speciality Match**

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