EMPLOYMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF LOCUM MEDICAL OFFICERS BY NSW PUBLIC HEALTH ORGANISATIONS



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Referee Check - Clinical Skills Assessment

This document must be completed by or on behalf of a referee for each Locum Medical Officer and provided by a Medical Locum Agency to a NSW Public Health Organisation Medical Workforce Unit.

Locum medical officer name					
Referee position		Referee Name			
Signature		Date			
Skills		Not observed	Capable (referee observations)	Capable (observations of others)	Unsure
General Resident: General medical abilities as a resident/senior resident medical officer to <i>work under supervision</i> . This must include understanding of own limitations and when to ask for assistance, and including (not exhaustive) proficiency in peripheral venous cannulation, arterial blood gas sampling, urethral catheterisation, ECG interpretation, lumbar puncture, use of fluids and blood products, simple suturing.					
In-Charge: Able to prioritise, know own limitations and ask for help where appropriate, can communicate severity appropriately over the phone and can supervise others (particularly the type of skill to be in charge of a department or hospital).					
Basic Paediatric Skills: Basic paediatric care – general abilities to assess children having completed a paediatric resident term, or seen children in a mixed emergency department. Includes peripheral venous cannulation in children.					
Emergency Medicine: Able to correlate history, examination and diagnostic tests in order to make provisional diagnosis and initiate management for <i>most presentations</i> to the emergency department. This includes (but is not exclusive to) ability to manage multisystem trauma, management of simple fractures and dislocations, complex suturing, use of slit lamps and ENT instruments for removal of foreign bodies.					
Intensive Care Unit Medicine: Mechanical ventilation. Can generally function at the level of a registrar in intensive care.					
Internal Medicine Adult: Able to correlate history, examination and diagnostic tests in order to make provisional diagnosis and initiate management for patients admitted or proposed to be admitted under an adult physician.					
Minimum 6 months experience as a medical registrar or equivalent:		Yes	No	Unknown	
Psychiatry: Sufficient knowledge about mental health to be able to make independent clinical decisions and in particular current knowledge of the Mental Health Act. Can function in a multidisciplinary team.					
Minimum of 6 months' experience as a psychiatry registrar:		Yes	No	Unknown	
	gistrar in a relevant surgical subspecialty, ependent decisions. Recent experience				
Minimum of 6 months' experience as a subspecialty:	a surgical registrar in a relevant surgical	Yes	No	Unknown	

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AIRWAY AND BREATHING – SKILLS		Capable (referee observations)	Capable (observations of others)	Unsure
Manual Ventilation – Adult: Manual ventilation; e.g. bag and mask ventilation, Guedels airway, laryngeal mask airway – adult.				
Uncomplicated Intubation – Adult: Uncomplicated intubation of an unconscious adult patient.				
Difficult Intubation – Adult: Difficult intubation.				
Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP)				
Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure (BiPAP)				
Intercostal Catheter Insertion				
CIRCULATION - SKILLS	Not observed	Capable (referee observations)	Capable (observations of others)	Unsure
Central Line Insertion				
Arterial Line Insertion				
Vasoactive Drugs: Use of vasoactive drugs.				
Cardioversion and Defibrillation: Emergency cardioversion and defibrillation.				
External Pacing				
Pericardiocentesis				
PAEDIATRIC CARE – SKILLS	Not observed	Capable (referee observations)	Capable (observations of others)	Unsure
Paediatric Manual Ventilation: Including bag and mask in children.				
Advanced Paediatric Life Support: Experience in advanced paediatric resuscitation and life support.				
Paediatric Interosseous Lines: Experience in inserting interosseous lines into acutely unwell children.				
Paediatric Arterial Blood Gas: experience in paediatric blood gas sampling.				
NEONATAL CARE – SKILLS	Not observed	Capable (referee observations)	Capable (observations of others)	Unsure
Neonatal Manual Ventilation: e.g. bag and mask, neopuff.				
Neonatal resuscitation: Experience in the acute resuscitation of neonates, including intubation and ventilation.				
Neonatal blood gases				
Neonatal cannulation: Can place peripheral venous cannulas in neonates.				
Neonatal umbilical lines: Experience in placement of umbilical venous and arterial lines.				
Neonatal advanced skills: Including mechanical ventilation and insertion of intercostal catheters.				