



Australian Medical Council (AMC) accreditation terminology

General terms		
Previous term until December 2025	New term from January 2026	Description
	Training program	The curriculum, the content/syllabus, and assessment and training that leads to independent practice in a recognised medical specialty or field of specialty practice, or in Aotearoa New Zealand, in a vocational scope of practice. It leads to a formal award certifying completion of the program.
Employing hospital	Training provider	The entity legally responsible for the administration of the training setting. This may be a government provider (government department), statutory corporation (local health district, statutory hospital, statutory health service), a for-profit corporation, a not-for-profit corporation (charity), a partnership (a general practice partnership), or any other entity legally responsible for the training setting.
Training site; department; facility; hospital	Training setting	The place or position accredited, or applying for accreditation, by the college. This includes sites, posts, practices and networks (which are composed of multiple settings). Where colleges accredit networks or programs, these standards will apply, recognising that various settings will contribute to meeting the standards overall.
Accreditation inspection; inspection visit; site inspection; inspection	Site visit	The group of individuals responsible for conducting and attending the accreditation site visit.
Inspectors, Accreditation team, visitors	Accreditation team, Visitors	The group of individuals responsible for conducting and attending the accreditation site visit.

Accreditation outcomes – existing training settings		
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Unqualified accreditation	Accredited	An existing training setting that: • meets all of the accreditation criteria OR • does not meet all of the accreditation criteria but the overall risk assessment is rated as low and it has been determined conditions are not required.
	Conditional accreditation	An existing training setting that: • does not meet all of the accreditation criteria and the overall risk assessment is rated as low, medium or high with conditions required.
Withdrawal of accreditation	Not accredited (revoked)	An existing training setting that: • does not meet all of the accreditation criteria and the overall risk assessment is rated as extreme with conditions required.

Accreditation outcomes – new training settings		
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	Provisionally accredited	A new training setting that: • meet all of the accreditation criteria OR • does not meet all of the accreditation criteria but has the potential to meet them once trainees are in place. The overall risk assessment is rated as low or medium with conditions required.
Accreditation not approved	Not accredited (refused)	A new training setting that does not meet all of the accreditation criteria. The overall risk assessment is rated as high or extreme.

Criterion assessment outcomes		
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Green marker in TSA	Met	There is evidence that the criterion has been fully met.
Yellow marker in TSA	Substantially met	Some but not all aspects of the criterion have been met. For example, there is alignment of policy / intent but evidence of delivery is not yet available, or there is some misalignment of policy / intent that needs to be addressed.
Red marker in TSA	Not met	The criterion has not been met ie there is a gap or significant misalignment of outcome or policy with the criterion.

Other accreditation terms		
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Corrective action	Condition	A qualification attached to the granting of accreditation at a training setting which requires action within a defined timeframe.
	Recommendation	A non-mandatory action to improve trainee experience and/or outcomes at the training setting.
	Commendation	A training setting's area of strength relevant to the delivery of the training program.