

## **Weighted Criteria: Guidelines for determining the eligibility of candidates for Grand parenting of Obstetric Medicine Certificate by SOMANZ**

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From 2013 onwards the Obstetric Medicine Certificate, will be awarded by the Society of Obstetric Medicine of Australia and New Zealand (SOMANZ) to an Advanced Trainee of the **Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP)** who has satisfactorily completed the **SOMANZ** recommended training experience for obstetric medicine.

For Physicians training or practicing in Obstetric Medicine prior 2013, SOMANZ will issue the Obstetric Medicine Certification if sufficient points are met from the following compulsory and supplementary criteria.

A minimum of **16 points** must be achieved.

Applicants will need to:

1. Complete the application form and scoring sheet available on the SOMANZ website.
2. Provide a copy of their full Curriculum Vitae and any other supporting documents requested.
3. Be a financial member of SOMANZ at the time of application.
4. Pay the prescribed application fee when submitting the application [AUD 350 for New Zealand applicants; AUD 385 (includes GST) for Australian applicants].

<b>Compulsory criteria: Practice in Obstetric Medicine</b>	<b>Points</b>
Minimum five years (in the past 10 years) in clinical consultant practice [FRACP ( <i>or Equivalent</i> ) <i>and</i> have registration as a specialist physician with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) or vocational registration in internal medicine with the Medical Council of New Zealand (MCNZ)] in a salaried appointment or referral practice with at least 0.2 FTE dedicated Obstetric Medicine. Evidence must be provided to support that the practice encompasses a broad range of experience in Obstetric Medicine (e.g. out-patient clinics, inpatient consults to maternity services, emergency calls to obstetric patients, practice in a broad range of medical conditions in the context of pregnancy, pre-conception and post-partum review) <i>Registrar level positions cannot be considered in this category.</i>	<b>16</b>
<b>OR</b>	
Minimum three years (in the past 5 years) in clinical consultant practice [FRACP ( <i>or Equivalent</i> ) <i>and</i> have registration as a specialist physician with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency	<b>8</b>

(AHPRA) or vocational registration in internal medicine with the Medical Council of New Zealand (MCNZ)] in a salaried appointment or referral practice with at least 0.2 FTE dedicated Obstetric Medicine. Evidence must be provided to support that the practice encompasses a broad range of experience in Obstetric Medicine (e.g. out-patient clinics, inpatient consults to maternity services, emergency calls to obstetric patients, practice in a broad range of medical conditions in the context of pregnancy, pre-conception and post-partum review) <i>Registrar level positions cannot be considered in this category.</i>	
<b>OR</b>	
Minimum one year (in the past 3years) in clinical consultant practice [FRACP ( <i>or Equivalent</i> ) <i>and</i> have registration as a specialist physician with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) or vocational registration in internal medicine with the Medical Council of New Zealand (MCNZ)] in a salaried appointment or referral practice with at least 0.2 FTE dedicated Obstetric Medicine. Evidence must be provided to support that the practice encompasses a broad range of experience in Obstetric Medicine (e.g. out-patient clinics, inpatient consults to maternity services, emergency calls to obstetric patients, practice in a broad range of medical conditions in the context of pregnancy, pre-conception and post-partum review) <i>Registrar level positions cannot be considered in this category.</i>	<b>4</b>

<b>Supplementary Criteria</b>	<b>Points</b>
<b>Clinical Training in Obstetric Medicine</b>	
Minimum 12 months full time (or part time on a pro-rata basis) in supervised clinical training in Obstetric Medicine. Candidate must show evidence of clinical supervision e.g. RACP supervisors training reports or equivalent	<b>8</b>
<b>OR</b>	
Minimum 6 months full time (or part time on a pro-rata basis) in supervised clinical training in Obstetric Medicine. Candidate must show evidence of clinical supervision e.g. RACP supervisors training reports or equivalent	<b>4</b>
<b>Research or academic activities / contributions to literature</b>	
Completion of University awards relevant to Obstetric Medicine: Doctorate	<b>8</b>
OR Masters level degree in a field relevant to Obstetric Medicine	<b>6</b>
Principle Investigator or senior author on a minimum of two papers related to Obstetric Medicine published in a peer-reviewed or refereed journal.	<b>2</b>

Author of a minimum of four papers (when not first or senior author) published in a peer-reviewed or refereed journal and/or a minimum of four abstracts (oral or poster) related to Obstetric Medicine presented at an international or national scientific meeting. <i>State meetings cannot be counted.</i> <i>Any combination of at least 4 paper or abstracts in this category will be counted</i>	<b>2</b>
State or national guideline authorship relevant to Obstetric Medicine	<b>1</b>
Member of an Editorial Board relevant to Obstetric Medicine	<b>1</b>
Reviewer at least 3 articles/year for a Journal relevant to Obstetric Medicine (evidence required)	<b>1</b>
<b>Leadership in the field of Obstetric Medicine</b>	
At least 2 years membership of professional body council or committee relevant to Obstetric Medicine (e.g. SOMANZ, ISOM, ADIPS, National Maternal Mortality Review Committee, AMOSS.)	<b>2</b>
<b>Contribution to Education for Obstetric Medicine</b>	
Minimum two years as a recognised supervisor of RACP Advanced trainees in Obstetric Medicine or similar (e.g. doctor undertaking post-graduate Fellowship in Obstetric Medicine)	<b>1</b>
Organizing committee of an obstetric medicine related Annual Scientific Meeting	<b>1</b>
Evidence of regular teaching contributions to undergraduate, postgraduate or collegial (peer) courses or programs related to Obstetric Medicine as detailed in applicant's CV	<b>2</b>

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