

# Financial support for registrars - 2010

## 1) Educational Courses and Resources

Valley to Coast subscribes to the following resources so that registrars have free access:

- Hunter Postgraduate Medical Institute educational meetings (CDP program)
- RRMEO online (ACRRM's online educational platform)
- IMgateway (online resource for herb, supplement and complementary medicine information)

### Emergency Medicine Courses

We will reimburse you for the full registration fee for specified emergency medicine courses undertaken during your training i.e. EMST, ELS, APLS and ALSO. (This is no longer restricted to one course per registrar). Reimbursement is made on receipt of a copy of the certificate of successful completion of the course.

### Educational Course Allowance

We will provide an allowance of up to \$2,000 over the duration of your training to fund the registration fee for other courses on the following basis:

<b>Course</b>	<b>Fund up to</b>
Monash Dermatology Module (MCM9204)	\$2,000
HPMI Shared Obstetrics Care Course	100% of reg'n fee
Family Planning Association course	50% of reg'n fee
Diploma in Child Health	50% of reg'n fee
Diploma in Obstetrics	50% of reg'n fee
Other appropriate courses	50% of reg'n fee

Travel and accommodation for these courses is at your own expense.

### Educational Resources Allowance

We provide an allowance of up to \$1,000 over the duration of your training to fund the purchase of educational resources, medical equipment or laptop computer.

## 2) Reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses

### Relocation to the Region

Valley to Coast will fund removalist costs up to \$3,000 (reimbursed on tax invoice); plus an incentive payment of \$1,500 plus an additional \$1,500 per family member (to a maximum of \$7,500 in total) - to encourage registrars and their family to move their primary residence to the region (urban or rural).

### Regional workshops

We will fund travel for Valley to Coast compulsory workshops held in this region:

- if using public transport we will reimburse actual travel costs
- if using a private motor vehicle we will reimburse expenses on a sliding scale based on distance (details are on the claim form)

We will reimburse overnight accommodation, up to a specified amount, for registrars attending workshops in this region where this is required to avoid excessive fatigue or an increased risk of accident. This is generally available if the one way trip is more than one hour. This needs to be approved in advance. Copies of tax invoices are required for reimbursement of accommodation.

### **Sydney Workshops**

For 3 day compulsory workshops in Sydney you will be eligible for reimbursement of travel expenses, or an allowance for private motor vehicle use, for the trip to and from Sydney plus re-imbursement for accommodation up to a specified amount for up to 3 nights. Re-imbursement will be in line with suggested rates of accommodation at the time of the workshop. Copies of tax invoices are required for reimbursement of accommodation.

#### Notes:

- Reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses will be done every three months at the mid-point and end of the term.
- All amounts are inclusive of GST
- The financial support described above is available to registrars during their training. 'During training' means from commencement of training up until you have completed your training time. It does not include "Extension of Recognition as a General Practitioner while awaiting Fellowship" which is an administrative process designed to ensure that you still have access to a provider number during the period after you have finished training but before you have formally been awarded Fellowship.

*This policy will be renewed on an annual basis in line with our annual funding from GPET.*