



← Eligibility

WHO CAN APPLY

Medical practitioners who possess medical registration with the Medical Board of Queensland (MBQ), or are otherwise eligible for registration with the MBQ may apply.

International Medical Graduates (IMGs) will need to meet the criteria of one of the pathways listed below to be eligible to gain registration with the MBQ and to apply for a position with Queensland Health.

The three pathways for IMGs outlined in the National Consistent Assessment process are:

1. The Competent Authority Pathway;
2. The Standard (Non Specialist) Pathway; and
3. The Specialist Pathway.

1. Competent Authority Pathway

You should progress along the Competent Authority Pathway if you:

- are seeking registration for a non-specialist position and have passed the examination process for registration in [Australian Medical Council](#) (AMC) endorsed countries **or**
- hold current Special Purpose registration in Queensland, and meet the [eligibility criteria](#) PDF defined by the AMC for the Competent Authority Pathway.

The AMC's [self-assessment tool](#) will help you determine if your qualifications and experience meet eligibility requirements.

To determine whether you are eligible for pathway 1 please visit the [AMC](#) website and go to the Competent Authority self assessment page.

2. Standard (Non Specialist) Pathway

If you hold qualifications gained in a country not yet designated by the AMC as a 'competent authority', and you are seeking registration for a non-

specialist position in Queensland you will need to meet the assessment requirements which apply to the Standard (Non Specialist) Pathway.

All IMGs on pathway 2 will have to **successfully complete** the AMC's Multiple Choice Questionnaire (MCQ) examination, prior to registration and hence employment. This examination can be taken onshore or offshore and information can be found on the [AMC](#) website regarding dates and countries where the examination may be taken.

3. Specialist Pathway

If you hold specialist qualifications from outside Australia or New Zealand and you are seeking registration for a specialist position in Queensland or a college supported specialist-in-training, you will need to have your specialist qualifications assessed by the [AMC](#) before applying for registration.

To determine eligibility for pathway 3, refer to the relevant [Australian/New Zealand specialist medical college](#).

From 1 July, 2008 all International Medical Graduates **not** currently registered with the Medical Board of Queensland (MBQ) and not eligible for pathway 1 or 3, will be required to progress along pathway 2.

If you do not meet the above criteria, you are not eligible to apply for a position as a Resident Medical Officer in Queensland.

English Language Proficiency

Applicants need to submit evidence to the Medical Board of Queensland (MBQ) of competency in speaking and communicating in English, as demonstrated by having completed the IELTS examination (Academic module) to the following standard:

1. The MBQ require the applicant to have achieved a minimum score of 7 in each of the four components.
2. Alternative English proficiency tests that will be accepted are:
 - a) Completed and obtained an overall pass in the Occupational English Test (OET) administered by the Centre for Adult Education with grades A or B only in each of the four components; or
 - b) A pass in the Professional Linguistic Assessment Board (PLAB) in the United Kingdom; or
 - c) A pass in the New Zealand Registration Examination (NZREX) in New Zealand.
3. Results must have been obtained within 2 years prior to applying for registration.

4. An IELTS (or approved equivalent) Test Report Form more than two years old will be accepted as evidence of present level of ability if accompanied by proof that a candidate has actively maintained employment as a medical practitioner in a country where English is the native or first Language. Test results must comply with the current requirements of this policy.
5. Results from any of the abovementioned English language examinations must be obtained in one sitting.

The MBQ may grant exemption where the applicant provides evidence of secondary education in English in one of the countries, listed below, where English is the native or first Language:

- Canada
- Republic of Ireland
- New Zealand
- United Kingdom and Northern Ireland
- United States of America
- South Africa

Further information can be found at

<http://www.medicalboard.qld.gov.au/pdfs/national-eng-lang-pol-17-april-2007.pdf>

For further information please refer to the following websites:

Medical Board of Queensland

Registration information for applicants may be obtained from:

Medical Board of Queensland
GPO Box 1667
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Phone: +61 7 3234 0176

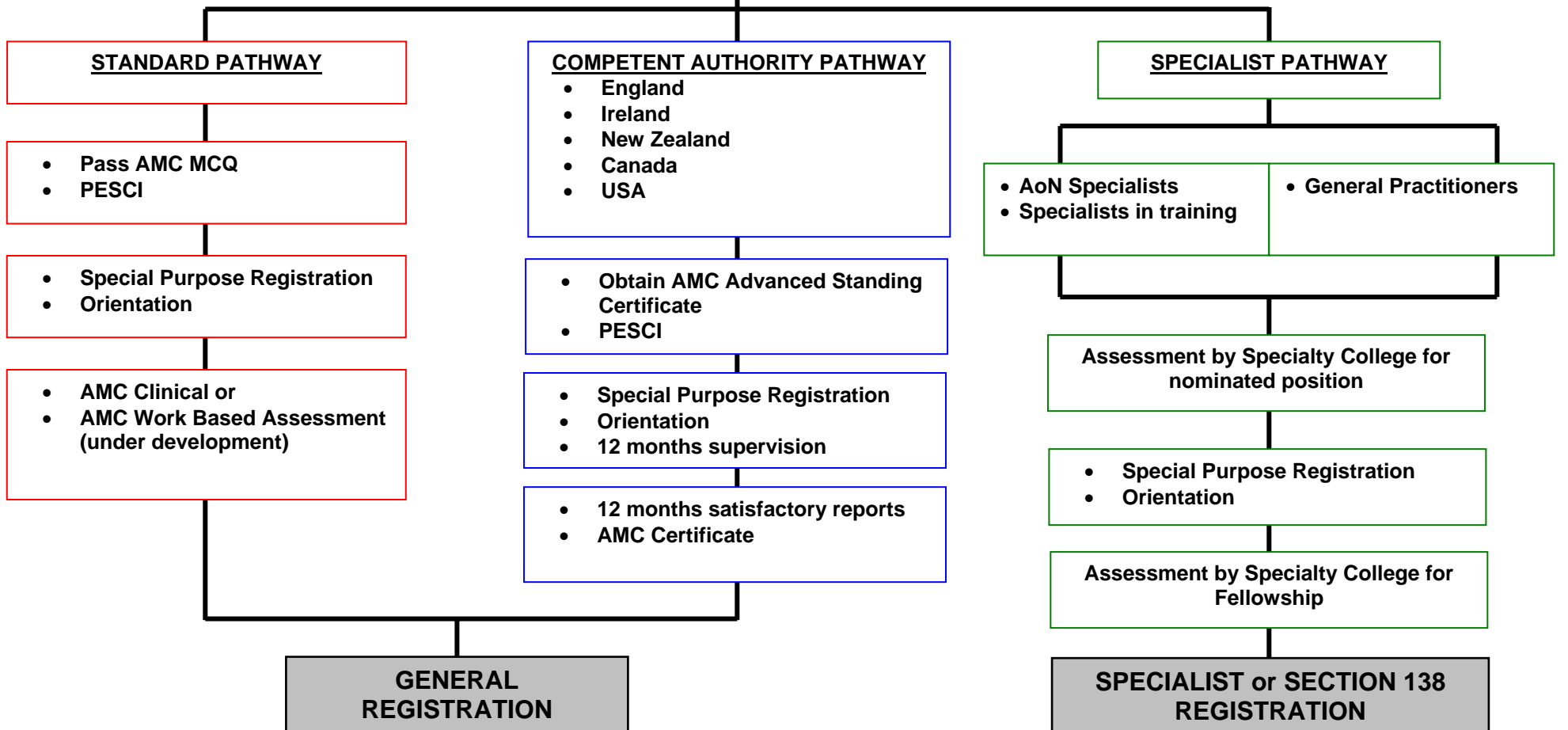
Fax: +61 7 3225 2522

Email: registrations@medicalboard.qld.gov.au

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PATHWAYS FOR INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGS) TO GENERAL/SPECIALIST REGISTRATION

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job Offer • CORS • IELTS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CV • Verification of Quals • Proof of ID



STANDARD PATHWAY

- Pass AMC MCQ
- PESCI

- Special Purpose Registration
- Orientation

- AMC Clinical or
- AMC Work Based Assessment (under development)

**GENERAL
REGISTRATION**

COMPETENT AUTHORITY PATHWAY

- England
- Ireland
- New Zealand
- Canada
- USA

- Obtain AMC Advanced Standing Certificate
- PESCI

- Special Purpose Registration
- Orientation
- 12 months supervision

- 12 months satisfactory reports
- AMC Certificate

SPECIALIST PATHWAY

- AoN Specialists
- Specialists in training

- General Practitioners

Assessment by Specialty College for
nominated position

- Special Purpose Registration
- Orientation

Assessment by Specialty College for
Fellowship

**SPECIALIST or SECTION 138
REGISTRATION**

Acronyms and Definitions

AMC	Australian Medical Council
AMC MCQ	Australian Medical Council Multi Choice Questions
AoN	Area of Need
CORS	Certificate of Registration Status
CV	Curriculum Vitae
IELTS	International English Language Teaching System
ID	Identification
IMG	International Medical Graduate
OMB	Office of the Medical Board
PD	Position Description
PESCI	Pre Employment Structured Clinical Interview
Quals	Qualifications

Australian Medical Council (AMC)

Australian Medical Council information for IMG applicants can be obtained from:

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