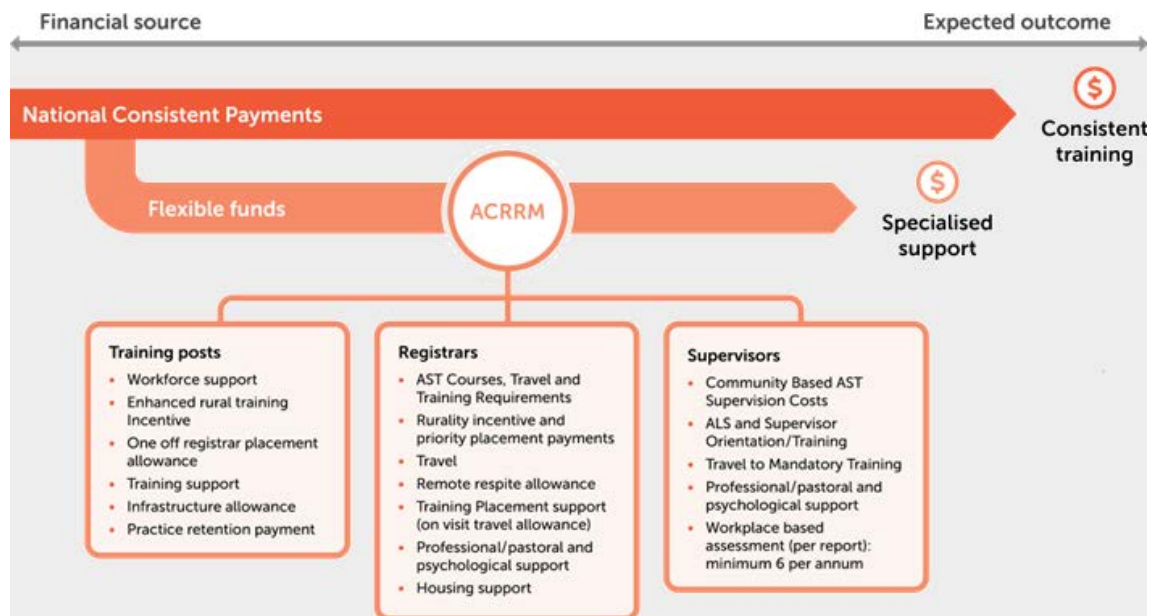


FAQ...

ACRRM's Flexible Funding Model

Current as at 22nd December, 2022

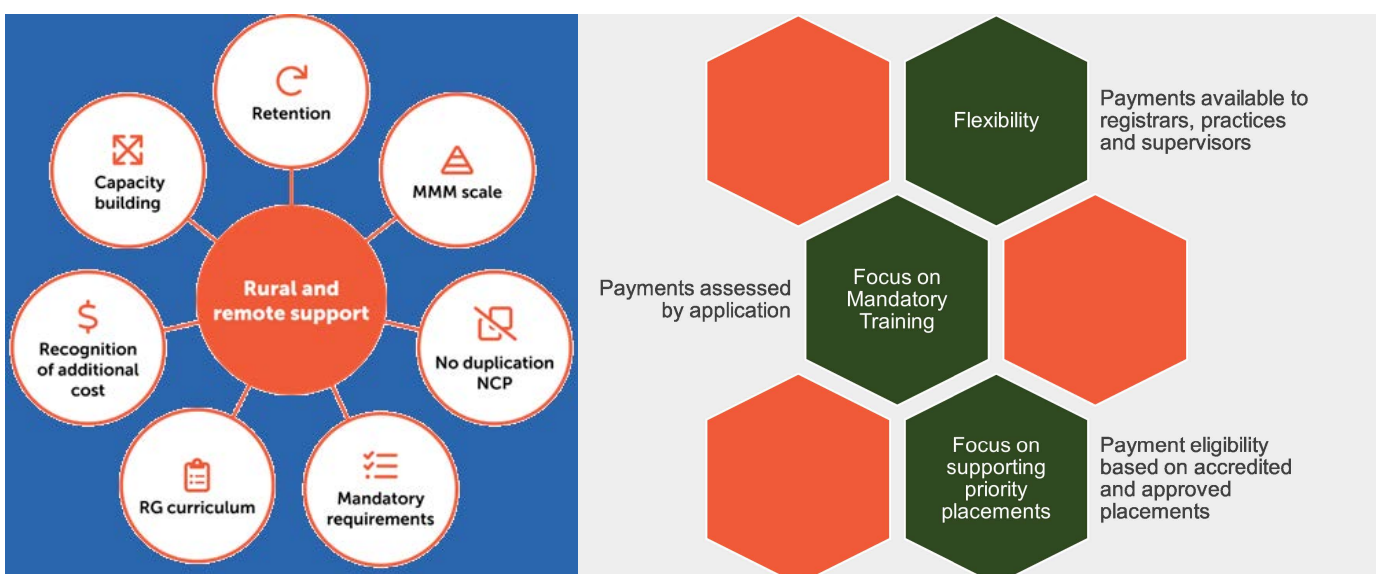
How does ACRRM's Flexible Funding model tie in with the National Consistent Payments framework (NCP)?



The NCP framework has been designed to recognize a range of factors including rurality and mandatory training in order to provide consistency in payments made to registrars, practices and supervisors across Australia whilst they deliver training under the AGPT program.

Alongside the National Consistent Payments (NCP) framework, the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care has set up a pool of funding provided to each of the colleges to apply flexibly as a part of their grant opportunity to deliver GP training.

What are ACRRM's Flexible Funding Principles?



QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
Is accommodation included?	Yes, there are regionally targeted funds that can be used for accommodation when attending training There is also rental assistance for recognised areas of priority
How do we apply for funding for ACRRM registrars?	Application form via the website
Will interviewing for placement remain as is?	Yes
Will a GPT1 only working 0.5FTE qualify for flexible funding?	Payments will be available pro-rata for registrars in accredited and approved placements
What role will GP Synergy and the other RTOs play going forward? Will we have a practice liaison officer?	ACRRM is currently recruiting Registrar and supervisor Liaison roles across Australia. in NSW this role is in place and delivered by the college
How do we get PRODA/HPOS-ready for payments?	Check for GPSA resources Use the new Services Australia e-learning tools for HPOS and PRODA: Health Professional Education Resources (servicessa.gov.au)
When do the payment changes start? January?	NCP starts 1 February 2023, but Flexible Funding applications open on 16 December in time to process these for a February start
What is required for a practice to participate in the training program?	The practice must be accredited for training and approved for a training placement
What will happen when there are 3 supervisors in the practice? How do you split the supervisor payments?	How payments are split will be up to the practice, payments will be endorsed by Colleges and paid through the practice PRODA registration
How will the funding be distributed?	ACRRM will focus on rurality and mandatory training (AST support): funding will be made available via application
Is renting the only option available for funding assistance? Can you get assistance with a mortgage instead?	The Flexible Funds will not be granted for mortgage assistance
What difference are there between ACRRM and RACGP payments if any?	Each College has been provided ability to design funds to meet the needs of their members; ACRRM's focus is specifically for its rural and remote focus
Will there be flexibility for specialists to become additional supervisors?	Yes, for Advanced skills these applications will be considered
How will this funding relate to the new AST Anaesthetics, Diploma of Rural Generalist Anaesthesia?	The registrar may use their AST support funding to pay DRGA costs
How much extra work is expected of supervisors in this new training program and will it be remunerated?	In the ACRRM program, no additional work is expected; remuneration and some PD support is available in flexible funds
When will we get written processes on how to manage this going forward	These are on ACRRM website now: https://www.acrrm.org.au/
What are some examples of what the flexible funds will be approved for?	Please see ACRRM's fact sheets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.acrrm.org.au/resources/training/training-policies-and-processes • https://www.acrrm.org.au/fellowship/pathways reference to the financial supports available for each pathway (link to comparison table) • https://www.acrrm.org.au/fellowship/pathways/agpt includes FAQ landing page and Flexible Funding resources (factsheet, comparison table and policy) • https://www.acrrm.org.au/college-led-training/college-led-training-faqs new FAQs on Flexible Funds for regs & supervisor/training posts. These will be live and updated as new questions arise in the sector

What are the Key Dates for ACRRM's Flexible Funding model?



How is eligibility being defined for these payments?

Eligibility

- All AGPT **registrars, supervisors and Training posts** eligible for funding support.
- Accredited training posts and supervisors **without a current AGPT registrar may be eligible** to apply.
- Registrars **are not eligible** while on leave, they must be in an approved active placement.
- Hospital posts and their supervisors **are not** eligible to apply.
- Training posts supporting registrars from both ACRRM and RACGP can claim the **NCP** for the registrar specific to the College. **Flexible Funds** for the registrar can only be claimed from **one** College.

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How do we apply for these payments?

How to apply

- **Applications are now open** and will occur bi-annually.
- All applications for approval **must be** submitted on the **ACRRM Flexible Funds application**.
- The application is located on the **ACRRM website, AGPT Pathway landing page** under the Resources tab.
- **Approval of funds** will occur after **application rounds** are confirmed.
- **Payments** will be made **after Semester One, February 2023** within **30 days of ACRRM approval**.

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What resources and supports are available for us?

Resources available

Resources for Flexible Funding, including Guidelines, ACRRM Fellowship Program Funding Comparison, FAQs and the Flexible Funding Policy can be found on the ACRRM website/AGPT Pathway landing page.



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Support

- **ACRRM training officers** will be trained and available to answer queries and support applications for registrars
- **ACRRM Rural Support Officers** will be trained and available to answer queries and support applications for supervisors and practices
- A **dedicated contact point** for queries over the holiday period is available through the transition@acrm.org.au

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