

Help us help you: co-developing guidelines to support GP/RG registrar wellbeing

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Before we begin



This voluntary workshop is an important component of a research project

Your contributions = data



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Learning objectives

- To understand wellbeing support from the perspective of providers and recipients involved in GP/RG training
- To understand the roles, scope, and responsibilities as providers/recipients of wellbeing support in GP/RG training
- To develop skills in navigating wellbeing support as providers/recipients of wellbeing support in GP/RG training
- To apply best practice wellbeing support guidelines in GP/RG registrar training

Wellbeing support for GP/RG registrars



Roles/responsibilities in	general	practice 1	training

RACGP Standards for General Practice Training	Standard 1.2. Support is in place to ensure the registrar's wellbeing		
ACRRM Supervisors and Training Posts Standards	Domain 1. Promotes the health, welfare and interests of trainees		
GPSA Supervision guides	The new supervisor guide to best practice supervision		
GPRA wellbeing checklist	FELLOWSHIP SUICE STATE OF BENDONS SUICE		









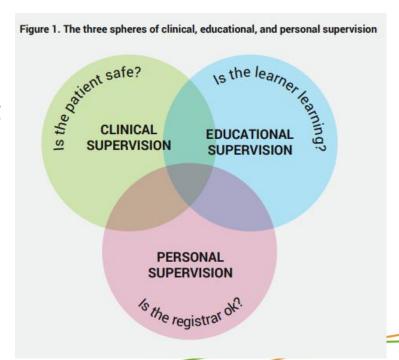


Evidence-informed guidelines



Supervision roles

A GP/RG supervisor is 'a general practitioner who establishes and maintains an educational alliance that supports the clinical, educational and personal development of a resident.' (O'Sullivan et al. 2021)







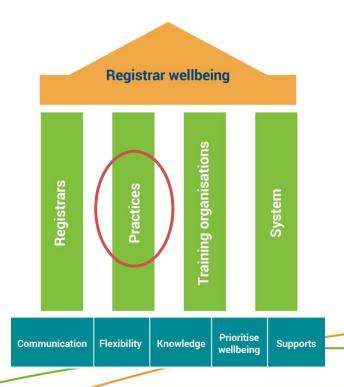
• Ten roles of the Australian GP supervisor (Clement et al. 2022)



Practice guidelines

- Incorporate wellbeing education and supports into registrars' placement
- 2. Recognise registrars' personal circumstances and be open to negotiate requests regarding matters such as working hours/scheduling and leave
- 3. Strive to foster a collegiate practice culture that promotes staff wellness
- 4. Monitor your registrar's wellbeing, drawing on the training organisation's resources and tools as appropriate
- If your registrar is struggling, explore causes and solutions with them and provide guidance and support, seeking the training organisation's support as required







GPSA research project

Aim: To understand the experiences/perception of those involved in GP training as providers and recipients of wellbeing support

Objective: to develop guidelines for best practice wellbeing support in general practice training

- Stage 1 (Sept 2022 Jan 2023)
 - Online survey (Quantitative/Qualitative - open text)
- Stage 2 (2023)
 - Workshops



Stage 1 demographics

Participants

- 6 Medical Educators (50% also GP/RG supervisors; >80% > 2 years ME experience)
- 94 GP/RG supervisors (~80% > 2 years supervision experience)
- 50 practice managers (~75% > 2 years PM experience)
- 27 GP/RG registrars (~90% ≥ GPT2)

State/Territory

 Representation from each cohort in all Australian states and territories (with the exception of no GP/RG registrar from NT)

Rurality

 Representation from each cohort in all MMM locations (with the exception of no GP/RG registrar from remote/very remote community)



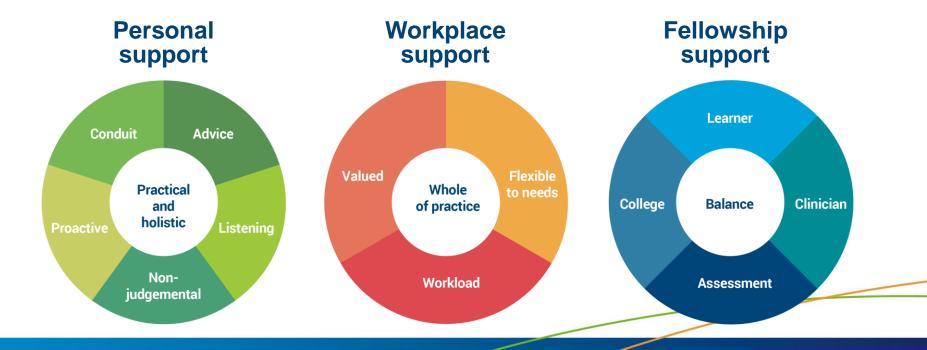




Wellbeing support

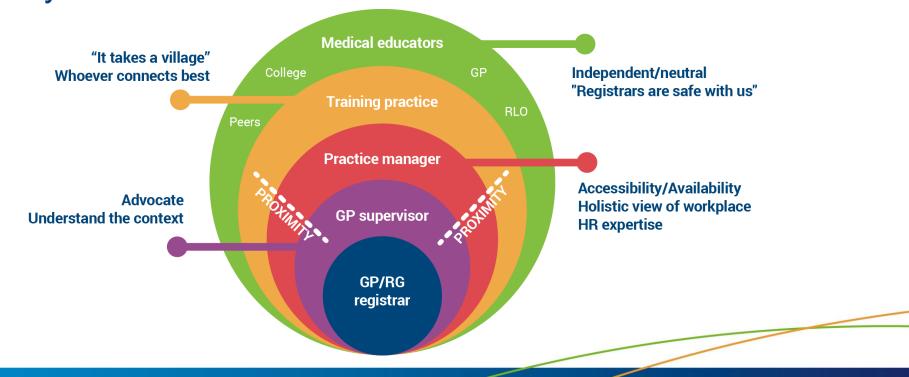


In the context of GP training, what is 'wellbeing support' for GP/RG registrars?



In the GP training program, who is best positioned to provide wellbeing support? Why?







What wellbeing resources are in use?

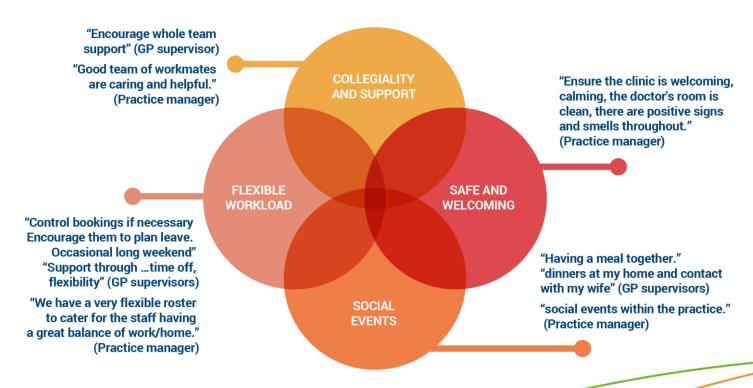


Outside the training practice

Medical educators	"I will take my difficulties with a specific registrar to supervision or I will contact the senior ME to discuss my concerns." (GP supervisor)		
Supervision community of practice	"Discussions and tutorials are helpful with other supervisors" (GP supervisor)		
Peers	"Encourage registrars to help each other" (GP supervisor)		
GP	"Encourage registrars to have their own GPs" (GP supervisor)		
Employee Assist Program (EAP)	"In the process of developing EAP for the clinic." (Practice manager)		
Counselling	"Counselling, safe space away from the clinical area." "Zoom or F2F "deep and meaningfuls" (Medical educators)		
Websites	"Drs4Drs" "Black Dog"(GP supervisor; GP registrar)		
Training providers	"GP synergy resources and training" (Practice manager)		
Written resources	"[GP supervisor] provides good reading material for extension " (Practice manager)		

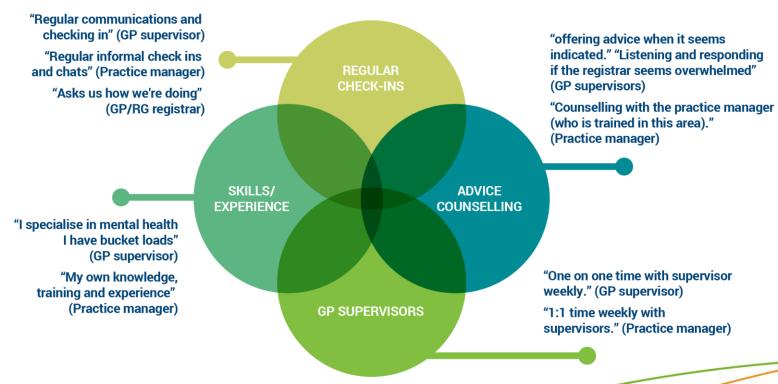
Whole of practice





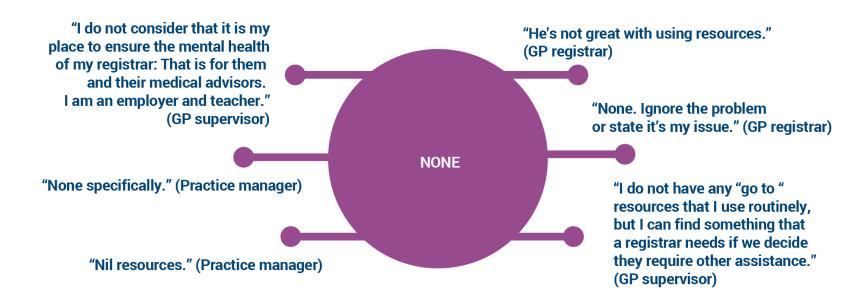
GP supervisor/practice manager





Contrasting perspective

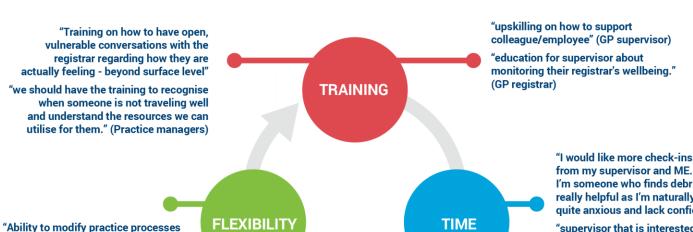






What wellbeing resources are needed?





to meet the needs of the registrar"

"Able to navigate flexible work

and clinic" (GP supervisors)

hours if this is required therefore

support of the practice manager

I'm someone who finds debriefing really helpful as I'm naturally quite anxious and lack confidence"

"supervisor that is interested in this and provides a safe space for it" (GP registrars)

"Allocated teaching/ support time to explore wellbeing needs" (GP supervisor)

"Funding for more time allocated to [wellbeing support for GPRs]" (Practice manager)

"Allocated time for 'pastoral support' or wellbeing activities. Dedicated funding for wellbeing support activities and resources."

"Paid protected mentoring time" (Medical educators)

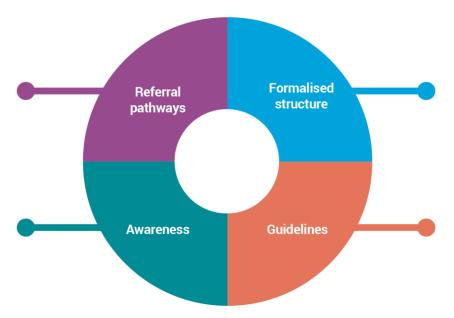




"Perhaps where to refer them if I'm particularly concerned about their wellbeing" (GP supervisor)

"would be good to have a clearer idea of what is available"

"Is there a checklist one can go through with each new registrar at the start of their term?" (GP supervisors)



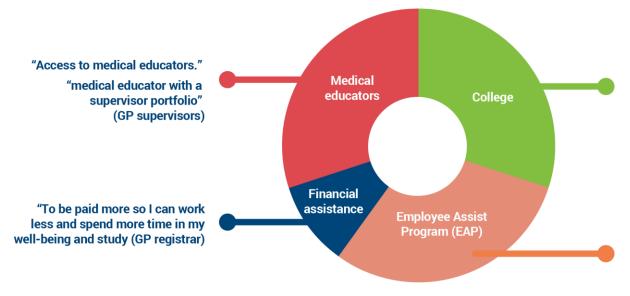
"A more formal system to remind me to check in with the reg. Mostly it's ad hoc" (GP supervisor)

"Perhaps scheduled conversations, rather than opportunistic conversations with a guide/checklist would be useful" (Practice manager)

"Clear guidelines of how we can offer support, tools etc." (Practice manager)







"Time and investment from training provider"

"Someone within the training organisation who has this as their specific role" (GP supervisor)

"Would hope the college upon transition provides the same level of support as my current RTO" (GP registrar)

"More support from training provider. We are both working towards the same goal and should tackle issues jointly." (Practice manager)

"an EAP offered from the college or their training body." (Practice manager)

"Something like an EAP program for wellbeing, rather than just mental health would be useful." (Medical educator)"



GP/RG registrar wellbeing: Roles and responsibilities

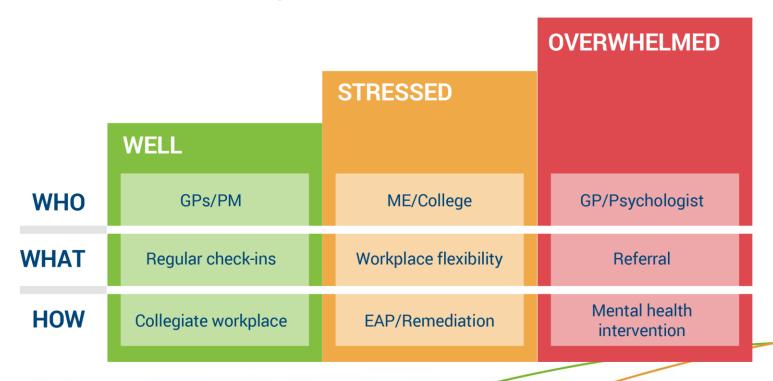


Training team: roles and responsibilities

Role and responsibilities	GP/RG supervisor	Practice manager	Medical Educator
Role	1 st responder	2 nd responder	
	Personal wellbeing	Workplace wellbeing	
Responsibilities			



Stepped wellbeing support plan





Summary

- Wellbeing support for GP/RG registrars is essential
- Key take aways today?
- What can we put into practice? How?
- What is needed in this space?
- What role do you play?
- Next steps?

Thank you for completing our workshop



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