



SKIN CANCER CLINICAL ATTACHMENTS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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In collaboration with universities, teaching hospitals and specialist private clinics, the HealthCert clinical attachments program provides GPs with a comprehensive range of medical, surgical and clinical support training. Participants will have the unique opportunity to enhance their knowledge of procedures in dedicated treatment facilities by observing and questioning experts – this may include all aspects of treatment including initial consultations and patient treatment options as well as surgical procedures, use of equipment and patient follow-ups.

LOCATIONS



National Skin Cancer Centres, Australia

The National Skin Cancer Centres are based in locations across Australia. These state-of-the-art skin cancer facilities provide a "one-stop shop" to patients for lesion diagnosis and treatment. Participants can solidify their knowledge in one of these dedicated skin cancer centres by spending two to five working days observing and assisting experienced skin cancer doctors – from initial consultations and patient treatment options to surgical procedures, use of equipment, Medicare billing and patient follow-ups. Clinical attachments are typically run on a Monday and Tuesday. As a result, the number of clinical attachment places are limited.



Medical University of Vienna, Austria

The Medical University of Vienna is the largest medical organisation in Austria, as well as one of the top-level research institutions in Europe, and provides Europe's largest hospital, the Vienna General Hospital, with all of its medical staff. You will have the unique opportunity to work with the globally renowned skin cancer expert Professor Harald Kittler and his team.



Medical University of Lyon, France

The dominant areas of study covered by The Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1 are science and medicine. Attached to the university are the "Hospices civils de Lyon" including the "Centre Hospitalier Lyon Sud", which is the largest teaching hospital in the Rhône-Alpes region and second largest in France. You will join the internationally recognised Professor Luc Thomas and his team in a world-class research facility.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

The program may be tailored individually to the participant's special interests and activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Patients with benign and malignant skin lesions
- Biopsy techniques
- Cryotherapy, curettage and field treatments
- Ellipses and direct repair
- Variations of flaps and grafts
- Confocal imaging of suspicious lesions
- Mole mapping facility tours
- Clinico-pathologic meetings
- Discussions of difficult cases

YOUR SUPERVISORS



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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The clinical attachment program is aimed at qualified general practitioners with a clinical interest in skin cancer medicine who have completed the HealthCert Skin Cancer Medicine or Surgery courses (or equivalent). It is recommended that participants complete a clinical attachment in Australia first as the program will follow exactly the training received at HealthCert courses. Subsequently medical professionals can gain an insight into the clinical practice, patient care management, and cultural context of the overseas' specialist facilities.

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Medical professionals can apply for a two-day (Australia and international) or five-day (international only) program where they will experience day-to-day operations and interactions of leading facilities. Participants will further develop their clinical skills by observing experienced skin cancer doctors, participating in case discussions and asking questions on all aspects of skin cancer treatment and patient care.

IMPORTANT DATES

Medical professionals must submit their application with their preferred dates at least one month prior to the program commencement date. HealthCert will contact the facility and arrange for the placement of the applicant at the host facility. Participants must commence the program at the latest six months after their application has been accepted.

TRAVEL & STAY

Participants are expected to independently organise and fund their travel and accommodation throughout the duration of the program. The hosting facility will provide day time activities from 9am to 5pm during weekdays only.

CPD POINTS AND CERTIFICATION

For members of the RACGP who wish to qualify for Category 1 CPD points certain records must be kept and session summaries completed. These activities are considered as a Supervised Clinical Attachment activity which is self-submitted. HealthCert will provide a Certificate of Clinical Attachment to confirm completion of the activity.

INVESTMENT AND PAYMENT OPTIONS

TWO DAY PROGRAM	FIVE DAY PROGRAM
\$2,995	\$4,995 Only available at select locations.

“ *The structured clinical attachment has provided an excellent first-hand, practical experience and insight. It is a well-organised program. Thoroughly recommended.*

– Dr A. McIntosh, VIC –

I did a week-long clinical attachment and it was great. It really covered most of the areas I had issues with and the team provided me with great answers to my questions.

– Dr F. Fathi, QLD –