Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway



Joint ticket guide

Applying for a joint ticket means you and your partner are requesting to do your internships in the same hospital.

Joint ticket candidates cannot also apply for special consideration.

Eligibility

To apply for a Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway (QRGP) joint ticket, you and your partner must both be group A applicants and both commencing internship with the QRGP in the same year. You must be married or de facto, including same sex couples, for at least 9 months at the time you apply. You'll both also need to be:

- completing your medical qualification at a Queensland medical school
- graduating in the same year.

How to apply

To apply, you must use the <u>online portal</u>. We only accept applications during the <u>campaign dates</u>. You cannot apply for a joint ticket after our intern application period has closed.

At step 3 of the application 'Other Details' you need to select 'Joint ticket' and:

- list your partner's name
- submit the same hospital preferences as your partner. If they don't match we won't consider you for a joint ticket.

After applications close, you'll get an email that tells you the due date for supporting documentation and how to submit them.

Supporting documentation

You'll need to provide the following supporting documents in addition to other documents outlined in our application information.

A Queensland statutory declaration that notes:

- the hospital that you and your partner are applying to
- your status as a couple, for example married or de facto
- the documents you've supplied to support your application for a joint ticket.

You'll need to provide a second <u>Queensland statutory declaration</u> from someone else to confirm your status as a couple.



You'll also need to provide one of the following:

- a marriage certificate or a <u>Queensland statutory declaration</u> to confirm your status as a couple. This
 must be from someone other than yourselves who can say you've been de facto for at least 9 months
 at the time of application
- recent utility accounts (e.g. gas or electricity) that have both your names or separate utility accounts that each partner receive at the same address
- a lease agreement with both your names.

Couples who cannot live together due to religious reasons or other factors can provide another <u>Queensland statutory declaration</u> providing the reason.

To prove your course details, you'll need to provide certified copies of correspondence from your Queensland universities that confirms:

- you're both currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) or Doctor of Medicine course
- you'll complete your course requirements in the same year.

Student identification cards, semester timetables and academic transcripts are not sufficient.

You must get all documents certified as copies of the original by either a justice of the peace, commissioner of declaration, barrister, solicitor, or notary public.

Ballot process

A successful joint ticket application does not exclude you and your partner from the <u>ballot process</u>. If you or your partner are selected through the ballot process, you will both be removed from that hospital and allocated to the next available facility where 2 positions are vacant.

If this causes an oversubscribed hospital to become undersubscribed and other applicants have previously been balloted out of this hospital, a rollback process occurs where the last applicant to be balloted out will be allocated back to that hospital. If you are drawn in the ballot and 2 vacancies are not available at any other QRGP hospital, you will both retain your first preferenced allocation.

Review committee

Applications will be considered by the Special Consideration and Joint Ticket Committee (the Committee). The Committee comprises the following members or their proxies:

- Medical Advisory and Prevocational Accreditation Unit (MAPAU) representatives
- Medical Director, QRGP
- Rural Generalist Training Advisor, QRGP.

You will be notified of the Committee's decision at the same time as all Queensland applicant Group A intern offers are released. Decisions made by the Committee are final and are not subject to challenge or appeal.

Further information

Contact us on 1800 680 291 or rural_generalist@health.qld.gov.au