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The Faculty of Radiation Oncology

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30 September 2022

Dear Dr Nardone

Re: Accreditation of Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) for Radiation Oncology Training

A training site accreditation visit for the Department of Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) was undertaken by the College's assessors on 9 May 2022.

The Radiation Oncology Education and Training Committee (ROETC) reviewed and considered the assessors' findings and documentation at its meeting on 26 August 2022.

Following careful review, the Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) has been downgraded to a **Level D accreditation status until 26 September 2023**.

Please note it is a requirement that the Department achieve a Level C or above by 25 August 2023, or risk having its status as a RANZCR Accredited Radiation Oncology Training Site revoked.

The Progress Reports should provide to the College including evidence which will be reviewed and discussed at the first Radiation Oncology Education and Training Committee (ROETC) meeting in 2023.

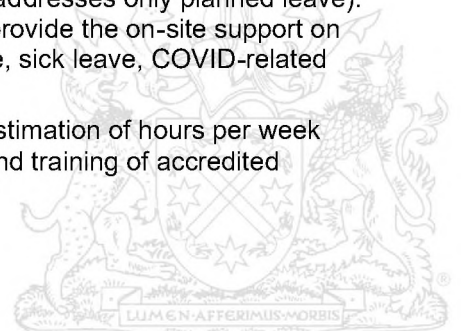
- **9 January 2023**
- **27 March 2023**

Criterion 2.2.5; 2.2.6; and 2.4.2

- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to ensure all clinics always have on-site consultants in attendance and demonstrate this through provision of RO attendance logs and audits for the next 3 months to be prepared by the quality manager. It is preferable that this be the usual RO, but an alternative onsite RO is acceptable.
- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to ensure that all patients are reviewed by a consultant radiation oncologist (RO) in person prior to simulation and demonstrate this through provision of RO attendance logs and audits for the next 3 months to be prepared by the quality manager. It is preferable that this be the treating RO, but an alternative onsite RO is acceptable.
- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to develop an agreed policy for on-site cover arrangements for all consultants, for all leave (the current policy addresses only planned leave). The policy should include clear documentation of which RO will provide the on-site support on behalf of any RO that is off-site, for any reason e.g., annual leave, sick leave, COVID-related isolation needs, etc.
- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to provide an estimation of hours per week sessional RO's are able to commit to direct on-site supervision and training of accredited registrars, as well as evidence of offsite training conducted.

Criterion 2.4.2

- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) ROs should return to conducting their work on-



site, as per the February 2022 directive from the hospital Executive.

Criterion 2.2.1

- Central Coast Cancer Care Centre (Gosford Hospital) to provide the College with the outcome of the recent External Culture Review as soon as is practicable

Criterion 2.2.3

- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) provide a prospective schedule of internal tutorials for end of 2022/ first half of 2023 including speakers and topics. Department to ensure attendance records/logs are kept and available.
- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to consider encouraging all clinical supervisors to attend a DoT workshop or webinar over the next 12 months to ensure all are aware of the educational changes associated with the new training program.

Criterion 2.2.6

- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to rescind the responsibility for trainees to oversee the cover of clinics in the setting of trainee and consultant planned leave. This duty should be performed by those with appropriate authority i.e., DoT or HoD
- Central Coast Cancer Centre (Gosford Hospital) to respect absolute maximum of 5-6 clinics per week per trainee (irrespective of leave absence and cover)

Should you have any queries regarding accreditation, please contact Accreditation at accreditation@ranzcr.edu.au or phone +61 2 9268 9777.

Yours sincerely,



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