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# Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists) Notice 2011

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Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists) Notice 2011: revoked, on 28 September 2016, pursuant to section 54(4) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Pursuant to section 54 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the Minister of Health, being satisfied of the matters set out in section 54(3) of that Act, gives the following notice.

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#### Notice

### 1 Title

This notice is the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists) Notice 2011.

#### Note

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint. Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

This notice is administered by the Ministry of Health.

#### 2 Commencement

This notice comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

#### **3** Declaration of protected quality assurance activity

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists' Quality Assurance Activity described in the Schedule is a protected quality assurance activity.

## Schedule Description of RANZCOG Quality Assurance Activity

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### 1 Interpretation

In this schedule,-

activity means the activity described in clause 4

**New Zealand Fellow of RANZCOG** means a Fellow of the RANZCOG who is—

- (a) a health practitioner registered, or deemed to be registered, with the Medical Council of New Zealand as a practitioner of the profession of medicine whose scope of practice includes obstetrics or gynaecology; and
- (b) practising in New Zealand

**participant** means a New Zealand Fellow of RANZCOG who has agreed to receive a practice visit

**practice visit** means a visit by 2 reviewers to a participant's workplace to undertake an assessment of the participant's practices and competence

**RANZCOG** means the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

**reviewer** means a New Zealand Fellow of RANZCOG who is appointed by the subcommittee to—

- (a) undertake a practice visit; and
- (b) report on that visit

subcommittee means the Practice Visit Subcommittee of the New Zealand Committee of RANZCOG

subcommittee members means members of the subcommittee.

#### 2 Objective

The objective of the activity is to improve—

- the practices and competence of participants by assessing the health ser-(a) vices performed by them; and
- (b)outcomes for patients.

#### 3 Information

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The activity is based on information that is-

- provided by particpants; and (a)
- (b) gathered by reviewers during practice visits.

#### 4 Activity

The activity involves-

- participants who have a date confirmed for a practice visit preparing the (a) following documentation:
  - completing a practice profile questionnaire; and (i)
  - (ii) completing a self-assessment survey; and
  - conducting a patient satisfaction questionnaire and collating the (iii) results of that questionnaire; and
  - compiling a surgical logbook in respect of surgical work under-(iv) taken in the previous 3 months; and
- (b) reviewers who undertake a practice visit carrying out the following:
  - reviewing and discussing with the participant the documentation (i) specified in paragraph (a); and
  - (ii) reviewing randomly selected case records held by the participant; and
  - discussing with the participant any unresolved complaints re-(iii) ceived from patients; and
  - (iv) reviewing the participant's practice surroundings; and
  - observing the participant undertaking a patient consultation; and (v)
  - (vi) observing the participant undertaking a surgical session; and
  - conducting a concluding interview with the participant; and (vii)
  - (viii) reporting the results of the practice visit to the subcommittee; and
- subcommittee members, on receiving a report under paragraph (b)(viii), (c) carrying out the following:
  - (i) evaluating the report; and
  - (ii) advising the participant who is the subject of the report of any recommended changes to his or her clinical practices to address any shortcomings identified in the report; and

(iii) monitoring the implementation of any recommendations made under paragraph (c)(ii).

Dated at Wellington this 28th day of September 2011.

Hon Tony Ryall, Minister of Health.

#### **Explanatory note**

*This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.* 

This notice, which comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*, declares the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists' Quality Assurance Activity to be a protected quality assurance activity. The effect of this declaration is that—

- any information that becomes known solely as a result of the activity is confidential; and
- any documents brought into existence solely for the purposes of the activity are confidential; and
- the persons who engage in the activity in good faith are immune from civil liability.

The protections afforded by this notice are subject to certain statutory exceptions. For example, this notice does not prohibit the disclosure of information that does not identify, either expressly or by implication, a particular individual.

Under section 54(4) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, this notice remains in force for a period of 5 years after the date on which it is issued, unless it is sooner revoked.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 6 October 2011.

#### **Reprints notes**

#### 1 General

This is a reprint of the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists) Notice 2011 that incorporates all the amendments to that notice as at the date of the last amendment to it.

#### 2 Legal status

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

#### 3 Editorial and format changes

Editorial and format changes to reprints are made using the powers under sections 24 to 26 of the Legislation Act 2012. See also http://www.pco.parlia-ment.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/.

#### 4 Amendments incorporated in this reprint

Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48): section 54(4)