



# **Expressions of interest**

# Resources Medical Advisory Committee

Expressions of interest are sought for members of the Resources Medical Advisory Committee (RMAC). RMAC provides independent, strategic medical advice to Resources Safety and Health Queensland (RSHQ) and the Minister to support the regulatory framework in place to protect the occupational health of Queensland's resource sector workers.

RSHQ is the independent statutory body in Queensland responsible for regulating safety and health in the state's resources industries including the coal, minerals, quarries, explosives, petroleum and gas sectors.

#### **Purpose of the Resources Medical Advisory Committee**

RMAC was formally established in June 2021 to provide ongoing strategic expert advice on relevant medical matters relating to the occupational safety and health of Queensland resource sector workers.

Advice provided by RMAC allows RSHQ to ensure health policy development and preventative measures for resource sector workers evolve in line with advances in medical knowledge, technology, best practice, and changes to occupational health risks to improve safety and health outcomes for Queensland resource sector workers. For further information refer to the <u>Terms of Reference</u>.

#### **Functions**

RMAC provides advice on:

- emerging occupational health hazards and issues affecting Queensland resource sector workers and potential solutions that could be adopted
- scope of medical examinations for disease screening, diagnosis and treatment, including on the applicability of new or best practice medical technologies and methods
- ways to improve health assessments for resource sector workers
- priority areas for group health surveillance and research based on broader industry healthrelated matters
- improving health surveillance by reviewing and contributing to the development of standards, guidelines, and required competencies and training for approved doctors and medical providers
- research and audit findings and their implications for worker health
- fitness for duty matters.

RMAC may also be required to:

- brief stakeholders on specific health matters as required by RSHQ
- provide out-of-session advice to RSHQ from time to time as required.

## **Membership**

Membership reflects the key medical disciplines relevant to mining and other resource industry worker health, however, it includes at least one each of the following specialties:

- occupational physician
- respiratory physician
- radiologist
- epidemiologist
- an international expert in one of the above fields.

Members will be appointed by the Minister for a term of up to three years.

### **Eligibility requirements**

Applicants will be evaluated on relevant experience in their field of medical expertise, experience in the resources industry and value they can bring to RMAC in addition to the mandatory requirements being met.

Position	Eligibility requirements
All	Applicants will have relevant medical expertise, knowledge and experience in mining and/or other industries where relevant.
Occupational physician Respiratory physician Radiologist	Applicants must hold the relevant specialist registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA). Registrar level registration may be considered in special circumstances. Any conditions, undertakings or reprimands attached to the AHPRA registration must not affect the applicant's ability to serve on RMAC.
Epidemiologist	Applicants must hold a master's degree or higher qualification in epidemiology.  Experience in occupational epidemiology is highly desirable.
International expert	Applicants must hold the relevant specialist registration with the health practitioner regulation agency in the country in which they practice. Any conditions, undertakings, reprimands, or restrictions attached to the applicant's registration must not affect the applicant's ability to serve on RMAC.

### Other requirements

Successful applicants must be able to participate in RMAC meetings (2 to 3 per annum).

Travel may be required as part of performing the role.

Certain checks such as criminal history may be undertaken and potential nominees will be required to complete a suitability declaration form.

#### Remuneration

Members are remunerated in accordance with the *Remuneration Procedures for Part-Time Chairs and Members of Queensland Government Bodies* (remuneration procedures) in the Regulation, Administration and Advice Category Level 2. Members will be paid a daily fee for meetings.

Reimbursement would also be made for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses including domestic travel, accommodation costs, motor vehicle allowances and meals as per the remuneration procedures.

# How to apply

Interested persons are required to submit the following documents:

- completed RMAC application form
- resume (no longer than three pages) detailing your work, voluntary or relevant experience, including two referees who have a thorough knowledge of your experience and skills
- appointment to government body personal particulars form.

Please ensure your application is complete before you submit – incomplete applications will not be processed.

Please send completed applications to <a href="mac@rshq.qld.gov.au">rmac@rshq.qld.gov.au</a> by 5pm on Friday 16 August.

#### **Further information**

If you require further information please contact <a href="mailto:rmac@rshq.qld.gov.au">rmac@rshq.qld.gov.au</a>.