Claiming CPD for the National Initial Assessment and Referral for Mental Health training through the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine

Training overview

To support implementation of Initial Assessment and Referral (IAR) in primary health care settings, including in general practices, IAR Training and Support Officers (TSOs) will deliver IAR training to GPs. This training consists of two workshops, the first workshop is pre-recorded and available online, the second workshop is delivered by TSOs locally. Participation in workshop one is a mandatory prerequisite for participation in workshop two. Alternatively, TSOs may also elect to deliver workshop 1 and 2 together.

National professional development program accreditation

The Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) has provided accreditation for the National IAR Training package under the professional development program (PDP). ACRRM's PDP program assists GPs with meeting Continuing Professional Development (CPD) requirements.

ACRRM members that complete the IAR training are entitled to 2 hours of CPD (1 Performance Review hour and 1 Educational Activity hour). Both workshops must be completed to be credited hours.

Accreditation is currently approved until 31 December 2024.

What TSOs need to do

To claim CPD hours with ACRRM, the TSO must be complete the ACRRM participant attendance sheet and send it to: pdp@acrrm.org.au and cc: MH.IARProject@Health.gov.au.

The attendance sheet must include the date of training completion and **ACRRM ID: 32783**.

ACRRM's attendance sheet is available for download on Yammer and will be used by ACRRM to credit hours to GPs.

Use of promotional materials

As a part of ACRRM's PDP, any promotional materials, or certificates for National IAR Training must display the current 2023 – 2025 ACRRM accreditation logo.

If a TSO has developed their own materials, ACRRM'S PDP logos can be found in several formats on Yammer. Please choose the best format to suit your needs.

Need assistance?

If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact the IAR Project team at: MH.IARProject@Health.gov.au.