

AMC Clinical Retest Changes

The AMC has decided that from 1 January 2019, a candidate whose performance at the clinical examination is borderline will no longer be offered the AMC Clinical Retest examination.

Currently, the Retest is offered to Clinical candidates who are assessed as having a borderline performance, with an intent to provide the AMC with a further assessment of ability. However, candidates often leave long periods between the main test and the retest, so that the concept of 'retest' becomes far less meaningful, and the 'retest' is actually a new main test but with half the number of stations. The AMC has decided that it is preferable that a candidate's performance in the clinical examination is scored as a pass or fail overall.

In conjunction with this change the feedback will be reviewed to provide more informative feedback to candidates. This is expected to be introduced in 2019.

Administrative arrangements

Candidates who have already received a retest result in the main Clinical examination or who are awarded a retest in the remaining clinical examinations in 2018 will be provided sufficient time to schedule and complete their Retest prior to the Retest being finally removed from the 2020 Clinical examination program.

All Clinical candidates with a Retest outcome should note the following.

Process:

1. A Retest result will **CONTINUE** to be offered to borderline candidates undertaking a Clinical examination in **2018**.
2. A Retest result will **NOT** be offered to candidates undertaking a Clinical examination in or after **2019**.
3. Retest examinations will be scheduled for the remainder of 2018 and the whole of 2019.
4. All candidates with a Retest outcome will accordingly need to undertake the Retest examination prior to the end of **2019**.
5. All Retest examinations will cease to be offered from the **2020** Clinical Examination program.

How to schedule for an AMC Clinical Retest examination

To schedule for an AMC Clinical Retest, candidates must contact the AMC Clinical team email at clinical@amc.org.au with a request to be scheduled into the preferred Retest date. Further information on a confirmed placement will be emailed to you.

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