

## Policy

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From time to time the College has been asked to review and endorse formal educational programs developed by tertiary institutions or other relevant organisations.

The College takes the view that any proper process would be very complex and resource intensive and, even if initial assessment were undertaken, the sustainability of a program could not be guaranteed. The College could however be held responsible for its decisions, with potential legal implications.

It has therefore been determined that:

- The College will seek to have input into the development of programs which are specifically related to pathology practice, such as the implementation of NPAAC Guidelines. The College would provide professional advice and assistance on the content of such courses through the advisory committees.
- Through the advisory committees the College may develop general guidelines for relevant courses.
- The College will not endorse any educational programs or workshops, although advice on pathology teaching will be given if requested.