

13 March 2020

Pathology Update 2020 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Is Pathology Update 2020 going ahead?

Yes, as a virtual conference. Pathology Update 2020 is going ahead as scheduled on Friday 20 – Sunday 22nd March 2020.

What is a virtual conference?

All sessions will be live streamed and made available for all registered and paid delegates to view from home/work.

How will delegates access the live stream?

A link to your personal live-stream and instructions will be sent to registered delegates prior to the commencement of Pathology Update.

Will the live-streaming be recorded for Pathology Update 2020?

No, sessions will not be recorded.

Why has The RCPA not cancelled Pathology Update 2020?

The RCPA recognises the educational value of Pathology Update and wish to continue to provide this activity for the CPDP and educational benefits in a safe format.

RCPA continues to take their advice from official health channels, including NSW Health (NSW Health), the Australian Government (Australian Government COVID-19 alert) and the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC).

Can I still physically attend Pathology Update 2020 in person?

No.

I am speaking at Pathology Update 2020, what do I do?

All speakers will be emailed instructions regarding their presentation.

For all speaker enquires please email evcp@rcpa.edu.au

Will refunds be offered to delegates who cancel their Pathology Update 2020 registration?

A decision regarding refunds will be made at the completion of Pathology Update 2020.

Where is the most up to date program for Pathology Update 2020?

It will be available via the Pathology update app which goes live on Thursday 19 March 2020.

My poster has been accepted for Pathology Update 2020, can I still present my poster?

No, the Roche Scientific poster display is cancelled for 2020. We encourage you to re-submit your poster for Pathology Update 2021.

I am a trainee and was using my poster presentation to partially fulfil my Portfolio Training Requirements, what do I do?

The Chief Examiners have agreed to accept and verify Posters as evidence towards your PPD, despite you not getting the opportunity to display it at Pathology Update. A post-Pathology Update Teleconference session with Fellows will be offered, enabling you to present your Poster and be questioned. Information regarding this teleconference will be communicated to trainees in this

situation **AFTER** the completion of Pathology Update.

I am presenting an oral/poster in the Trainee Prize categories, what do I do?

The BEA, DS Nelson and RCPAQAP Oral presentations on Friday 20 March 2020 will be live streamed and presenters will be emailed instructions.

The BEA and RCPAQAP Trainee poster prizes on Saturday 21 March 2020 have been cancelled.

For all Trainee Prize enquires please email marionh@rcpa.edu.au

I am due to Graduate with my Fellowship (or other Award). Will I still attend for the Ceremony?

No, the Awards Ceremony is not proceeding for 2020.

Your Certificate will be mailed to you and you will be given the opportunity to attend the Award Ceremony in 2021. To this end, can you please advise if your mailing address has changed recently.

Please email such changes to: josephinel@rcpa.edu.au

What do I do about my travel and accommodation?

All travel and accommodation booked through Spencer Travel, please contact them directly on events@spencertravel.com.au or call 02 8264 7 894.

Can I get a letter for my insurance claim now that Pathology Update is no longer a face to face meeting?

Yes, please email kateh@rcpa.edu.au

When and where is Pathology Update 2021?

Pathology Update 2021 is in Melbourne from 19-21st February 2021.

This document is subject to change and is current as at Thursday 13 March 2020.