



PRE-WORKSHOP  
ONLINE CONTENT

2 DAY WEEKEND  
PRACTICAL  
WORKSHOP

ONLINE  
ASSESSMENT

UQ SCHOOL  
OF MEDICINE  
AWARD

CATEGORY 1  
RACGP / CPD  
POINTS

CREDIT INTO  
UQ MASTER OF  
MEDICINE  
(SKIN CANCER)

## Program Objectives

This Certificate course will provide the clinician with a range of skills at an intermediate level including the ability to understand and complete:

- Principles Of Wound Closure
- Elliptical Excision
- Suturing Technique And Knot Tying
- Dog Ear Correction
- Full-Thickness Skin Grafting
- Principles Of Flaps
- Advancement Flaps
- Pivotal Flaps

## Who Should Attend?

Doctors who have completed the Certificate in Primary Care Skin Cancer Medicine or wish to develop their surgical skills beyond basic elliptical excisions.

## Certificate Course Format

The certificate workshop is designed to meet the needs of busy medical practitioners by providing a practical workshop to allow GPs to practice various suturing and procedural techniques in a supportive environment.

## The Course Includes:

- Online pre workshop activities including theory and practical (completed in your own time anytime prior to the workshop component)
- A 2 day weekend practical workshop
- Reference materials including full colour copy of all PowerPoint slides presented
- Online theory multiple choice question assessment and case studies (completed in your own time within 6 months of attending the workshop)

## Online Pre-Workshop Activity

Review of 5 suturing techniques.

## Workshop Delivery

This course is presented by New Zealand surgeon Dr Sharad S Paul joined by experienced GPs to assist in optimising the learning outcomes.

The content covers sections on theory plus hands-on practical sessions. This course is designed to assist GPs to develop confidence in various procedures and understand their limitations without further practical experience.

## Workshop Segment of the Certificate Course

### Advanced Suturing

- Tailoring incisions to patient
- Surgical anatomy and skin lines
- Improving cosmetic outcomes and reducing scarring
- Local anaesthetic blocks on face
- Techniques of suturing (practical)

### Skin Suturing

#### Deep Suturing

#### Wound Care and Dressing Selection

- Proper use of modern dressings and wound healing

### Surgical Anatomy

#### Margins

#### Dog Ears

#### Full Thickness Skin Grafting

- Skin graft properties
- Healing
- Management
- Donor sites

#### Pivotal Flaps

- Rotation Flap Theory
- Rotation Flap Practical

#### Advancement Flaps

- Advancement Flap Theory
- Advancement Flap Practical

#### Case Studies

## Assessment Requirements

The online multiple choice questions are to be completed at your convenience within six months of the completion of the workshop. They are designed in such a way that you are able to log in and out as many times as you wish. They are open book and are not subject to a time limit. A Statutory Declaration must be completed and signed at the conclusion to verify you have completed the questions without outside assistance.

## Awards

**Certificate in Primary Care Skin Cancer Surgery**  
University of Queensland School of Medicine

# CERTIFICATE IN PRIMARY CARE SKIN CANCER SURGERY

## College Points

**RACGP 40 Category One CPD Points**  
**ACRRM 30 PDP Points**

1. Online pre-workshop activity
2. 2 day face to face training
3. Online assessments completed and required pass marks achieved
4. Statutory declaration form completed for online assessment and received by HealthCert.

Once the above components are successfully completed your CPD, PDP or MOPS points will be submitted to the appropriate college.

## Presenters



**Dr Sharad P Paul (NZ)**  
**MBBS FRNZCGP M Phil**  
**Senior Lecturer Surgery (hon)**  
**University of Auckland**  
**Senior Lecturer (Skin Cancer) UQ**  
**School of Medicine**

Dr Sharad P Paul graduated in 1988 and completed residencies in General/Plastic Surgery between 1990 and 1995. His surgical training included work at Hutt and Middlemore Hospitals in NZ, and overseas. His major clinical interests are in management of skin cancers and facial reconstruction following removal of skin cancers. He has a strong commitment to teaching and is a Course Convenor at the Surgical Skills Training Centre, University of Auckland. He is a visiting Senior Lecturer in the Primary Skin Cancer Dept. of the University of Queensland and Hon. Senior Lecturer (Surgery) at the University of Auckland. Dr Sharad P Paul was instrumental in developing the Waitemata Health Skin Lesion service, based at North Shore Hospital and is at present a visiting Consultant at North Shore and Waitakere Hospitals. In 2001, Dr Sharad P Paul was requested by the Ministry of Health to draft the New Zealand Guidelines for Skin Lesion Management. These guidelines were ratified by the Dermatology and Plastic surgical working parties and form the basis of the current NZ Guidelines for Skin Lesion Management. In 2002, he was awarded a Waitemata Clinical Achievement Award for outstanding clinical achievement. In 2003, he was awarded a Health Innovation Award by the Ministry of Health.

## Relationship to Master of Medicine

The certificate course is related to the two unit course in the Master of Medicine (Primary Care Skin Cancer Medicine) **IMED 7005**. Students who wish to gain credit for this unit in the Masters will be required to complete the assessment requirements of the Masters under UQ assessment conditions.

Students will not be required to pay for this unit again and will need to inform the UQ Masters coordinator if they wish to seek recognition of prior learning (RPL) upon enrolling for the course.

### RELATIONSHIP OF CERTIFICATE COURSES TO THE MASTER OF MEDICINE (PRIMARY CARE SKIN CANCER MEDICINE) PROGRAM

CERTIFICATE COURSE	MODULE IN THE MASTER'S
CERTIFICATE IN PRIMARY CARE SKIN CANCER MEDICINE	IMED7001
CERTIFICATE IN ADVANCED DERMOSCOPY & DERMAL IMAGING	IMED7003
CERTIFICATE IN PRIMARY CARE SKIN CANCER SURGERY	IMED7005
CERTIFICATE IN ADVANCED SKIN CANCER SURGERY	IMED7005