

Registration via Pathway 3

Guidelines

Additional paper

- Masters/Post graduate level paper related to Hand therapy practice, from a recognized tertiary institution/university (eg: in NZ, AUT- 15point paper)
- Paper needs to be relevant to Hand and Upper Limb Therapy with supporting evidence included eg. Clinical anatomy with a focus on an upper limb anatomical structure. Pain, Biomechanics, Research papers with labs, reading, assignments, research proposals focused on HAUL. (Please check with Executive to ensure paper is appropriate if you have any doubts.)
- Recognition of Prior Learning. Applicant must provide course outline and supporting evidence of completion of a Post graduate paper within the 5 years from date of application.

Peer review

Peer review is not a pass/fail process it is an opportunity to learn and should include clinical reasoning and reflection.

All NZAHT members as NZ Registered Occupational Therapists and Physiotherapists are required to participate in peer review as part of their ongoing competency for their respective Registration Boards. Members should therefore be familiar with the peer review process.

There are different approaches that can be taken. The Face to face patient observation of treatment is the preferred option for application as RHT (refer to NZAHT Supervision Guidelines compiled by ACC committee)

If location or lack of RHT in your area and you are unable to complete the preferred face to face peer review please contact the Executive who can assist with finding a RHT as a reviewer or consider other options (eg. distance review via skype or video).

For the purpose of Peer Review as part of the requirements for gaining RHT

- Reviewer must be a current RHT of NZAHT. (Not the applicants supervisor)
- If a patient is involved they must give written informed consent to participate.
- Peer review form to be signed and dated by applicant and reviewer. The form confirming peer review has taken place is to be sent in with application. The 'assessment' form does not need to be sent in but should be kept with the applicant.

Supervision

ACC committee have updated Supervision guidelines on NZAHT Inc. website.

Recommended reading and References for Peer Review process.

NZSP Inc (2000). Standards of Physiotherapy Practice.

Allison, R. (2000). Credentialling:A system for ensuring ongoing competence to practise.

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