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OCANZ-accredited training in ocular therapeutics

OCANZ has accredited the *postgraduate* courses in ocular therapeutics conducted by each of the four Schools/Departments of Optometry in Australia and New Zealand. OCANZ has also accredited the therapeutics training within the *undergraduate* courses at the universities of Auckland and Melbourne.

Applicants seeking registration board **approval for therapeutic practice** (in jurisdictions where this is permitted) must hold a qualification listed below.

Optometrists trained outside of Australia and New Zealand are required to complete OCANZ-accredited therapeutics training before being granted approval for therapeutic practice.

Undergraduate courses

The therapeutics training within the following **undergraduate** optometry courses has been accredited by OCANZ:

- BOptom from The University of Melbourne, Department of Optometry & Vision Sciences (2006 graduates and onwards; next scheduled accreditation site visit 2014)
- BOptom from The University of Auckland, Department of Optometry & Vision Science (2006, 2007 and 2008 graduates only; undergraduate program scheduled for re-assessment in 2009)

Postgraduate courses in ocular therapeutics

The postgraduate therapeutics courses at the following universities have been granted accredited status by OCANZ. Accredited status is subject to there being no major changes to the course and subject to submission of satisfactory evaluation reports at the completion of each course.

- Postgraduate Certificate in Ocular Therapeutics from The University of Melbourne, Department of Optometry & Vision Sciences (Graduates during the period 2001 – 2005 completed training accredited by the Optometrists Registration Board of Victoria. OCANZ accreditation granted in 2006; next scheduled re-assessment 2013)
- Graduate Certificate in Ocular Therapeutics from Queensland University of Technology, School of Optometry (2005 graduates and onwards; next scheduled re-assessment 2013)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Science (including OPTOM 781, 784, 787A&B), previously known as The Auckland Programme In Ocular Therapeutics (TAPIOT) from The University of Auckland, Department of Optometry & Vision Science (Graduates during the period 2004 – 2005 completed training accredited by the Optometrists Registration Board of Victoria; OCANZ accreditation granted in 2006; next scheduled re-assessment 2013)
- Graduate Certificate in Ocular Therapeutics from The University of New South Wales, School of Optometry & Vision Science (2008 graduates and onwards; next scheduled re-assessment 2014)