



# ANZSRS

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## *Expression of Interest*

The ANZSRS board invites all members to consider submitting an Expression of Interest to be involved in a working group to formulate a competency framework for obtaining an Arterial Blood Gas (ABG) sample.

### CLOSING DATE FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

COB on Friday the 9th of September 2022 by email to [profstandards@anzsrs.org.au](mailto:profstandards@anzsrs.org.au)

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Arterial blood gas samples are taken by staff from a number of different craft groups. There are a large number of respiratory scientists who have significant experience in ABG sampling. A number of ANZSRS members have noted that the education and training process for ABG sampling is quite variable, particularly across different craft groups, resulting in a variable patient experience for this test.

The goal for this working group is to develop a competency framework which will ensure a structured education and training program for ABG sampling. It is envisaged that this framework will ultimately improve patient outcomes for this test.

### CRITERIA

- Current voting member of ANZSRS
- Extensive experience and expertise in ABG sampling
- Experience in training and/or education in clinical respiratory measurement
- Knowledge and application of national/international practice standards and guidelines

### THE ROLE

- Develop the ANZSRS Competency Framework for Arterial Blood Gas sampling
- Develop a plan for their widespread implementation and use
- Attend regular meetings until the Framework's completion

### REPORTING

This working group will report to the Director of Professional Standards. It is expected that this work should be completed in no more than 12 months from formation of the working group.

***Rachel Stephens***

***Director of Professional Standards***