

Minimum requirements/infrastructure/clinical case required in the concerned Colleges/Institute where the course will be started

1. An institute already conducting postgraduate teaching programme (MD/DNB/Diploma) as per MCI is preferred.
2. Provide facilities consistent with the all-round training including training in basic medical sciences and other departments related to the subject of training.
3. Institution/Hospital should be at least 50 bedded and should have sufficient number of patients and operation theatre facilities for conduct of regional anaesthesia procedures.
4. The institute shall have adequate laboratory facilities and shall provide all the investigative facilities required and regularly updated, keeping in view the advancement of knowledge and technology and research requirements for training of students.
5. The college/institute should have excellent central library, departmental library, conference/auditorium room, computers with internet facility and journals (National as well as International)
6. The department shall have adequate number of all equipment's ( including at least one dedicated USG and PNS machine for anaesthesia department) as well as all other necessary anaesthesia equipment's required for training as may be prescribed by the MCI.

Accreditation of Hospital / Institute

- a) Application for hospital recognition & teacher recognition are to be filled online through the AORA website.
- b) The institute and teachers applications will be scrutinized by the BOS (Board of studies) and the Accreditation Secretary.
- c) If found eligible, Accreditation secretary will appoint 2 inspectors who will make an on-site inspection visit of the institute.
- d) The Institute shall look after the travel & stay of the inspectors desirous of recognition.
- e) The inspection report will be tabled at the next BOS meeting and the decision of BOS will be ratified by EC.
- f) Once recognition is granted, institutes may start taking candidates from the same academic year if the process is completed before the last date of registration to the courses, or the next academic session if the process is completed later.
- g) Period of recognition after accreditation approval is for three years.
- h) In case institutes do not meet the criteria, they will have to reapply after fulfilling all criteria, which will be followed by a re-inspection.
- i) All appeals regarding the inspection report or recognition will be put up at the BOS, and AORA executive committee.
- j) The decision of the AORA executive committee will be final and binding in all respects.

Criteria for the faculty:

In order to be able to impart a high quality of training to candidates the teacher must fulfil the following minimum requirements:

- a) Teacher application will be considered along with the Institution's application. Teacher accreditation in isolation independent of Institute accreditation is not allowed (except for additional teacher from an already accredited institute)
- b) Teacher should be working full time in the institute to be considered as a teacher for the AORA course.
- c) Teacher should be a Life Member of AORA.
- d) Teacher should be a post graduate degree with MCI recognised qualification- MD / DNB with at least 8 years of experience in Anaesthesiology post MD/DNB qualification, in a recognized major hospital.
- e) Teachers with a MCI recognised Post Graduate Diploma-DA (Diploma in Anaesthesia) with at least 10 years of experience in Anaesthesiology after MCI recognised Post Graduate Diploma, in a recognized major hospital
- f) The teacher with additional qualification like Post-Doctoral Fellowship/Diploma/Certificate Course in Regional Anaesthesia or having some specialised training experience in Regional Anaesthesia and Acute Pain Management is preferred. Research work in regional anaesthesia is desirable.

After a teacher has left an institute, he cannot take a new student in another institute for one year from the time of leaving the previous institute.