



# The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

*Excellence in Women's Health*

1920

**13 February 1929**

Formation of the British College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists in the United Kingdom

1930

**1932**

The British College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists established the Dominion Reference Committees in Australia, Canada, India, New Zealand and South Africa. In Australian and New Zealand the committees were named the Australian Reference Committee and the New Zealand Reference Committee

**3 December 1938**

The British College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists renamed the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG)

1940

**27 February 1947**

The Australian Regional Council (later Australian Council) of the RCOG provisionally appointed (replacing the Australian Reference Committee)

**October 1948**

The New Zealand Regional Council (later New Zealand Council) of the RCOG provisionally established

**May 1949**

Official formation of the Australian Regional Council of the RCOG

1950

**1951**

Inauguration of the New Zealand Regional Council of the RCOG

**25 August 1954**

Official opening of College House at 8 La Trobe Street, Melbourne (Australian Regional Council headquarters)

1960

**20 March 1966**

Name of the Australian Regional Council, RCOG changed to Australian Council, RCOG

1970

**6 May 1977**

Formation of Steering Committee of the Proposed Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

**16 July 1978**

Meeting of the Signatories of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of The Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (first Executive elected at this meeting)

**29 August 1978**

The Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists legally incorporated

**3 August 1979**

Inaugural Ceremony of The Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

1980

**12 December 1980**

The Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists granted the prefix 'Royal' and renamed The Royal Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RACOG)

**9 December 1981**

Purchase of property at 254 Albert Street, East Melbourne, as a future headquarters of the RACOG

**January 1982**

The New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists formed and registered as a company

**24 November 1983**

Official opening of College House at 254 Albert Street, East Melbourne

**March 1984**

The New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists granted the prefix 'Royal' and renamed The Royal New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RNZCOG)

**1986**

Implementation of RACOG Continuing Certification Program

**23 July 1988**

Celebration of Tenth Anniversary of the RACOG and the Official Opening of College House extensions (including the Members Room incorporating the Library)

1990

**7 January 1991**

Purchase of the property at 260 Albert Street, East Melbourne

**24 March 1991**

Official opening of 260 Albert Street, East Melbourne

**19 July 1995**

The Library officially named the Frank Forster Library

**21 June 1997**

Official Opening of College House renovations

**24 October 1997**

Official opening of the Museum

**23 October 1998**

RACOG amalgamated with the RNZCOG to form The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RANZCOG)

## CHRONOLOGY

HISTORY OF THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS

