

General Medical Registrar/BPT 3 – 2020

Central North West Basic Physician Training Consortium

Austin Health is part of the Central North West Physician Training Consortium, which includes rotations across Northern Health, Bendigo Health, Echuca Regional Health and Wimmera Health Care Group (Horsham).

The Central North West Consortium offers comprehensive support across all years of the PREP program with all rotations accredited by the RACP. We have a long tradition of providing excellent physician training to trainees within this consortium. A training program to support trainees preparing for the written and clinical RACP examinations has been implemented across all sites within the consortium. In-house written exam lectures are held September to January each year finishing with a mock 170 question written exam.

Further information can be obtained at www.centralnorthwest.org.au

As all the hospitals in the consortium have grown significantly, there are now over 150 trainees employed over the three training years which has made rostering and local trainee support increasingly difficult. From 2020 the consortium will begin a process to separate into two recruiting bodies across the consortium. This will be a staged process to avoid disruption to trainees currently in the program. Appointments will be aligned to Austin Health or Northern Health for the Medical stream at HMO2/BPT1 and BPT2 level; BPT3 appointments will remain jointly managed between Austin and Northern Health in 2021. The educational program will continue unchanged across the hospitals; all of the preparation for the written and clinical exams will continue to be shared across sites with trainees having access to tutorials and other educational activities at each site.

Please note that these positions will be processed through the Postgraduate Medical Council Victoria Computer Matching Service.

Summary of position

Approximately 7 positions are available in the Physician Training program at BPT3 level for the 2021 clinical year. Successful applicants may rotate through a variety of general and speciality medical units at Austin Health, Northern Health, Bendigo Health, Echuca Regional Health and Wimmera Health Care Group to provide a broad range of experiences and learning opportunities. Please note that a rural term is an expected component of all Central North West Consortium BPT3 contracts.

Rosters

Appointees will get an opportunity to indicate their roster priorities. Consideration will be made for special requests such as annual leave to accommodate wedding plans, coincide with spouse leave etc. Please note that in the latter 6 months of the year you will be rostered to a term at Bendigo, Echuca or Horsham. This is to enable the BPT2 trainees who are sitting the written exam and clinical exam to be rostered to Austin and Northern during this 6 month period prior to their exam.

At the Central Northwest Consortium, the BPT3 program has a focus on General Medicine and exam preparation, with rotations available in:

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| - Infectious Diseases | - Renal/Nephrology |
| - Medical Oncology | - Respiratory and Sleep Medicine |
| - General and Acute Medicine | - Hospital in the Home |
| - Perioperative Medicine | - Spinal Medicine |
| - Radiation Oncology | - Neurology and Stroke Medicine |
| - Palliative Care | - Geriatric Medicine |

How to Apply and Important Information

HMO3 Medical/BPT2 positions at Austin Health are appointed to via the Allocation and Placement Service (APS) conducted by the Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria (PMCV). As such, applications must be made to **both** the PMCV and Austin Health.

Application Forms

Applications can only be completed online at www.austinhealth.mercury.com.au. Please follow the instructions and complete all stages. You must electronically attach a CV in addition to the compulsory application form. You are also required to apply to the Allocation and process online via the PMCV website www.allocations.pmcv.com.au.

Register with PMCV for Computer Match

In order to be considered for a BPT3 position, candidates must first meet the eligibility criteria for the BPT3 Allocation and Placement Service and register with the PMCV. For information on the PMCV Allocations process and to register, please refer to the PMCV APS website; www.allocations.pmcv.com.au.

Applications to Austin and Northern Health

All applications must be submitted via Austin Health's online recruitment system. Please follow the instructions and complete all the steps. You must also attach a cover letter (addressed to Laura Ivins, DiT Coordinator), photo and a Curriculum Vitae (CV) in order to be considered for short listing.

Interviews

Applicants will be contacted for interview following the short listing process. Contact will be made via email, and instructions on how to proceed with an interview time will be included in the email.

Selection

The selection process (which consists of ranking candidates through the PMCV Allocation and Placement Service) is based on merit and consists of the combined assessment of application documents, referee reports, opportunities received thus far and interviews.

References

Applicants must nominate referees via the PMCV APS, where referee reports will be directly sourced. Austin Health do not require any additional reference reports (i.e. non-clinical references).

Appointments

Appointments are made based on the PMCV Allocation and Placement Service Match results. Applicants successfully matched to Austin Health will be contacted directly via email to confirm appointment.

Important Dates To Remember

Internal Application Dates	Thursday 30 th July – Thursday 13 th August 2020
Internal Applicant Interviews	Monday 24 th August and Thursday 24 th September 2020
External Application Dates	Thursday 30 th July – <u>Monday 14th September 2020</u>
PMCV Applications Open	Monday 24 th August 2020
PMCV Candidate Registrations Close	Thursday 17 th September 2020
External Applicant Interviews	Thursday 24 th September 2020
Allocation and Placement Service results available	Monday 12 th October 2020 10.00am