

# Austin/Bendigo Health Position Description



## Position Title: Basic Physician Trainee - Rural Pathway

Classification:	Hospital Medical Officer – Medical Stream
Business Unit/ Department:	Organisation wide
Agreement:	Victorian Public Health Sector (AMA Victoria) - Doctors in Training Agreement 2018-2021
Employment Type:	Fixed-Term Full-Time
Hours per week:	38 hours base – as per unit roster
Reports to:	DiT Manager and Director, Medical Workforce Unit (administrative) and relevant senior clinical staff (Head of Units/Directors/Medical Directors)
Direct Reports:	Nil
Financial management:	Budget: Nil
Date:	27/04/2021

### **About Austin Health**

Austin Health is one of Victoria's largest health care providers. Comprising the Austin Hospital, Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital, Royal Talbot Rehabilitation, Hospital in the Home and community based health services; Austin Health is an internationally recognised leader in clinical teaching, training and research, with numerous university and research institute affiliations.

Austin Health employs near 9,000 staff across its sites; including over 1,600 doctors and 3,000 nurses, and delivers a full range of leading edge clinical services, including several state-wide services (liver and small bowel transplant, spinal cord injury service, respiratory support service and child inpatient mental health service). In total, Austin Health provides over 900 beds, including mental health, aged-care and rehabilitation beds and a range of community and in the home services. The current annual operating budget is in excess of \$960 million.

Austin Health delivers vital state-wide services to all Victorians, including to diverse multicultural and veteran communities. It also provides community and specialty services to the people of Melbourne's north-eastern corridor in a safety-focused, teamoriented and stimulating work environment.

Austin Health's current vision is shaping the future through exceptional care, discovery and learning.

Our values define who we are, shape our culture and the behaviours, practices and mindset of our people. Our values are: Our actions show we care, we bring our best, together we achieve and we shape the future. <a href="www.austin.org.au/about-us">www.austin.org.au/about-us</a>

Austin Health is committed to providing an inclusive culture where all employees can contribute to the best of their ability and strive to develop further. Find more at <a href="http://www.austin.org.au">http://www.austin.org.au</a>

# **Position Purpose**

To work as part of a multidisciplinary team to provide excellence in patient care whilst undertaking comprehensive learning, training and professional development in medicine

# **About the Junior Medical Workforce**

Austin Health is a major training service for doctors at all stages in their career and specialises in advanced vocational training in most of these specialties, with a central academic role with most Medical Colleges.

Hospital Medical Officers (HMOs) employed in the medical (Physician) training stream will be offered a variety of rotations at Austin Health as well as other metro or regional health services in Victoria. HMOs are provided with experiences to support career development and progression towards vocation/specialty training.

At this stage of the clinical year, rotations are already determined, and so the successful candidates will be allocated a pre-existing rotation allocation. There may be some scope to request time in a specialty unit, but there is no guarantee of this request being met due to the allocations being set.

Austin operates an extensive network of rotations at both the pre-vocational and vocational trainee level. At this level there are in excess of 280 specialty registrar positions across Austin Health covering virtually all adult specialties with the exception of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

# **Purpose and Accountabilities**

#### **Role Specific**

- Under the guidance of senior medical staff participate as required in the admission, management and safe discharge of patients of assigned unit
- Work collaboratively as a team member with senior medical staff, junior medical staff, nursing and other staff to provide efficient, safe and quality care
- Facilitate excellent communication and liaison with other staff, general practitioners and others involved in patient care
- Complete appropriate documentation in the patient's hospital record. Entries should be legible, timely, regular and comprehensive so as to document important changes or decisions, and ALL entries must be dated, designated and signed.
- Communicate clearly and simply with patients, their families and carers, the basis of diagnosis, course of disorder and proposed treatment options in a way that ensures understanding and empowers involvement in decision making about their care
- Participate in relevant Unit quality activities, programs and rosters as requested

 Attend and participate in mandatory training requirements and in any formal education and training program coordinated by assigned Unit or the Hospital

#### **All Employees**

- Comply with Austin Health policies and procedures, as amended from time to time, which can be located on the intranet (The Pulse)
- Participate in Austin Health's annual Performance Review and Development (PRD) program as required.
- Engage in processes to monitor service delivery and participate in improvement activities.
- Undertake not to reveal to any person or entity any confidential information relating to patients, employees, policies, and processes and not make public statements relating to the affairs of Austin Health without prior authority of the Chief Executive Officer.
- Report incidents or near misses that have or could have impact on safety and participate in the identification and prevention of risks.
- Participate in the emergency incident response activities as directed.

# **Selection Criteria**

#### Essential for Performance in the Position

- A commitment to Austin Health values.
- Appropriate tertiary medical qualification.
- Minimum one-year post-graduate medical experience (Internship).
- Registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) of Australia (note eligible applicants will be assisted through this process).
- Dedication to delivering excellent service to patients, all colleagues (nursing, medical, managerial, support staff), GPs and other contact points.

#### Desirable but not essential for Performance in the Position

A sound understanding of information technology including clinical systems

#### **Pre-Existing Injury**

Prior to any person being appointed to this position it will be required that they disclose full details of any pre-existing injuries or disease that might be affected by employment in this position.

#### **Immunisation**

Maintain appropriate levels of immunisation in accordance with Austin Health's Workforce Immunisation/Screening Policies, in the interests of yourself, all Austin Health staff, patients and visitors.

# **General Information**

#### Austin Health is a Child Safe Environment

Austin Health is committed to child safety. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. Austin Health has zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated seriously in line with legal obligations and our policies and procedures.

#### **Equal Opportunity Employer**

Applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. For more information about working at Austin Health, please follow this link to Austin Health's Aboriginal Employment website:

http://www.austin.org.au/careers/Aboriginalemployment/

# **Document Review Agreement**

Manager Signature	
Employee Signature	
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