



**Austin Health**  
**Your brilliant career starts here!**

We would like to begin by acknowledging the  
Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today  
and pay our respects to Elders past and present and  
extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait  
Islander People who are here today.



# Acknowledgment of Country

# Welcome

## Chief Medical Officer – Dr Mark Lubliner

### 2020 year at a glance



**9,500**  
total staff  
members



**\$7.3m**  
Victorian  
Government  
funding for a new  
Statewide Child  
and Family Service



**85,000**  
COVID-19 tests  
processed

**2,170**  
new computer  
devices



**94%**  
patient experience  
score

**87**  
liver transplants

**22**  
webinars with  
**16,305**  
attendees

**Over 5,000**  
People taking part in  
Wellness Walk and  
Research Run



**Over 2,000**  
papers  
published

Appointed our first  
Aboriginal  
Employment  
Officer



# Our Vision and Values

## Our Vision

Shaping the future through exceptional care, discovery and learning.

## Our Values

**Our actions show we care**



We are inclusive and considerate.  
We appreciate one another, always listening and interacting with compassion.

**We bring our best**



We are guided by the needs of our patients, bringing commitment, integrity and energy to everything we do. We are passionate about delivering excellence.

**Together we achieve**



Our culture of collaboration means we work openly with our people, our community and beyond to achieve great outcomes.

**We shape the future**



Through research, education and learning we innovate, exploring new opportunities that will change health care for the better.

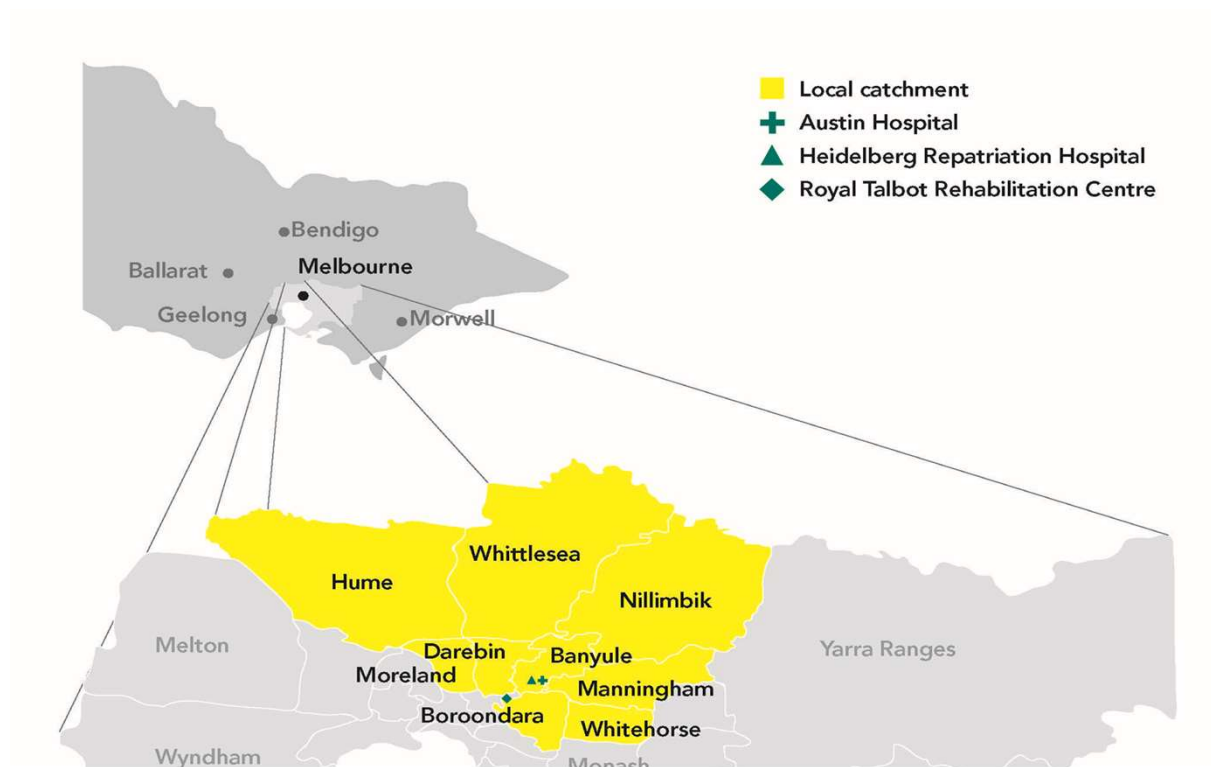




# Our Strategy and Direction



# Our Catchment and Campuses



A photograph of a young woman with blonde hair in a ponytail and glasses, wearing a white lab coat and a blue lanyard, looking down at a smartphone. Next to her is an older man with grey hair and glasses, wearing a grey suit and a striped tie, also looking at the phone. They are in a clinical or hospital setting with blue walls and other people blurred in the background. A large purple and red curved graphic is overlaid on the bottom left of the image.

# 2022 Intern Applications

Hien Nguyen – Director, Medical Workforce

Ashleigh Donaldson – Medical Workforce Coordinator (incl. Interns)



# Intern positions - 2022

- Austin Health have 65 Intern positions in 2022
- One Intern position will be available for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant
- We expect to have 2 Intern positions for Priority Group 2 candidates in 2022; the final allocation is determined by the PMCV



# What is the Application Process?

- Applications open **Tuesday, 4 May** and close **Thursday, 3 June**
- Apply online via [PMCV](#) and [Austin Health](#) directly.
- PMCV Requirements:
  - Completion of online CV Form
  - Nominate two clinical referees
  - Record Video interviews (4 June to 6 June)
- Austin Requirements
  - Cover Letter and Curriculum Vitae (CV)
  - Non-clinical Reference (x1)
  - Photo





# What happens from there:

- Short listing process undertaken (4 – 17 June).
  - As part of our Aboriginal Employment Plan, all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will be shortlisted.
- Email notification of selection for online interview review (18 June).
- Interview review process (18 June – 2 July).



# Weighting of assessment criteria:

Shortlisting process for interview review	Selection process for positions
<p><b>Application Scoring:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cover letter (35%)</li><li>• Curriculum Vitae (15%)</li><li>• Non-Clinical Reference (15%)</li><li>• Clinical References (35%)</li></ul>	<p>Application score: 60%</p> <p>Interview score: 40%</p>



# Cover Letter & Curriculum Vitae (CV)

- Your cover letter should address **why Austin and why you?**
- Address your cover letter to Ms. Ashleigh Donaldson, MWU Coordinator, Medical Workforce Unit.
- Standardised CV Format will be required, template available on Austin Health website.



# What are we looking for in a doctor?

## A safe and good doctor

- Embodies Austin Health values.
- Works well within a team environment, particularly within a multidisciplinary setting.
- Has well developed communication skills.
- Is interested in research and teaching.
- Has interests and achievements outside of the medical field.
- Displays a community focus through membership of community or volunteer groups.
- Is interested in a future career at Austin Health\*



# Non-clinical Reference

- You need to submit **ONE** written non-clinical reference with your application to Austin Health.
- The reference needs to be from someone you have worked for or with (paid or voluntary position), not a family friend or parent.
- The reference should be no longer than one page.





# Clinical References

- TWO clinical references will need to be supplied via the PMCV Allocation and Placement Service (APS)
- Your references can be from Consultants or Registrars, but better if they are from those who have actually worked clinically with you rather than an academic supervisor
- This is a standardised online form, but please do encourage those completing the referee form to add commentary as well.



# Further Information & Contact

- Austin Health Website  
<https://www.austin.org.au/careers/interns>
- Email: [internrecruitment@austin.org.au](mailto:internrecruitment@austin.org.au)
- Phone: 03) 9496 6813





# JMO Medical Education at Austin Health

Dr Pascal Gelperowicz  
Supervisor of Intern Training (SIT)  
Austin Health

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# Why apply at the Austin

- **Friendly and supportive work environment**
- **Fantastic career opportunities**
- **Great rotations**
  - Core requirements (Emergency Medicine, General Medicine and General Surgery)
  - Cardiac Surgery
  - Endocrinology/Rheumatology
  - ENT/Head and Neck Surgery
  - Gastroenterology
  - Liver Transplant Unit
  - Orthopaedics
  - Psychiatry
  - Radiology (Hybrid – Radiology/Liver Transplant)
  - Spinal
  - Stroke
  - Urology
  - Vascular
  - Rural rotations in Echuca and Mildura (Emergency Medicine and General Medicine)





# Education and Supports

- **An Engaged Clinical Education Unit**
  - Weekly protected intern teaching times.
  - Deteriorating Patient Assessment Workshops.
  - Professional Development Workshops.
  - Research opportunities.
  - Clinical Skills Workshops.
  - Surgical Skills workshops at RACS.
  - Integrating multidisciplinary learning and teaching opportunities.
  - Peer Support and Mentoring Programs.
- **Supportive Medical Workforce Unit**
- **Very active HMO Society**





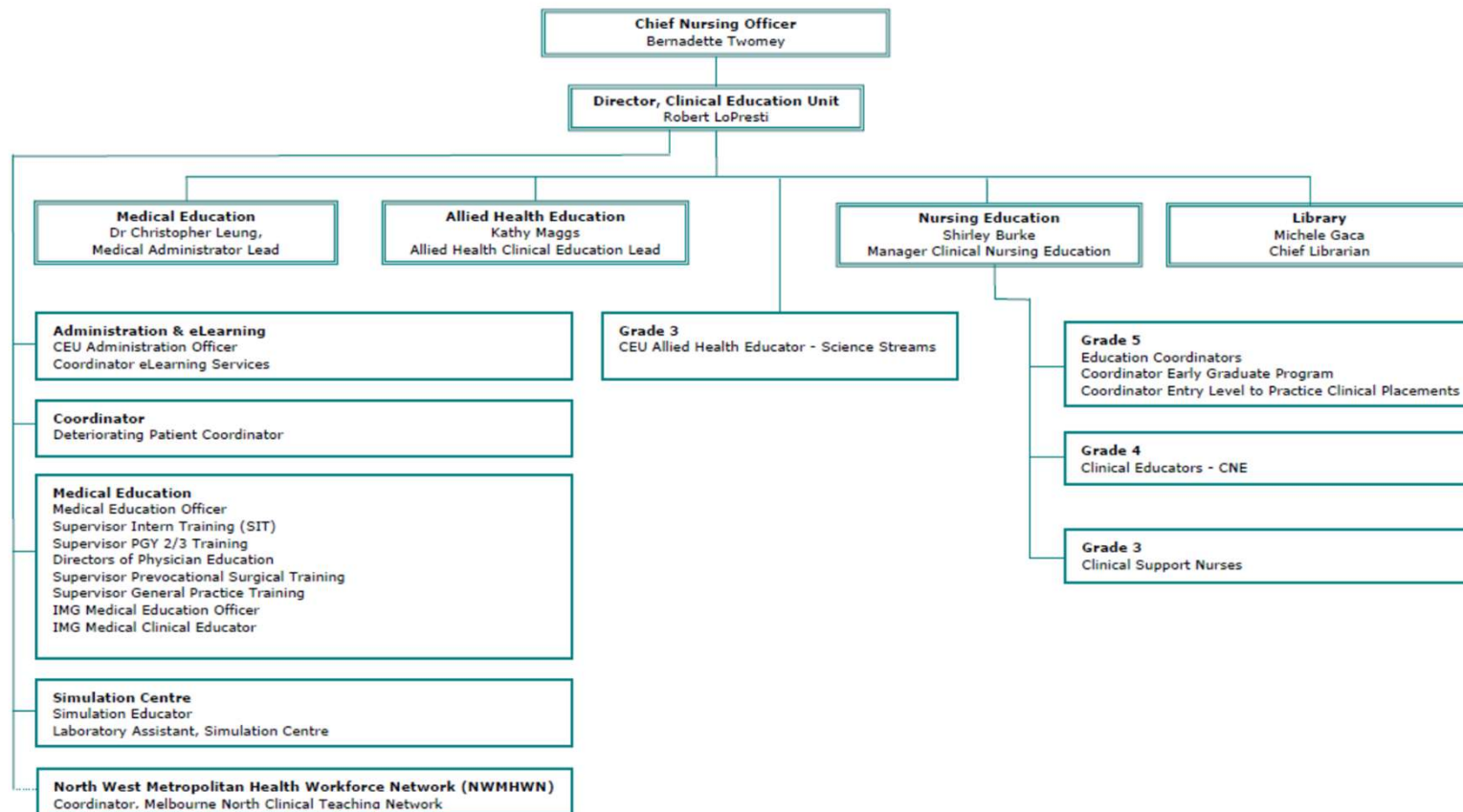
# Goals during your intern year

- Transition from student to medical practitioner
- Independent, competent and safe doctor
- Increasing responsibility for patient care
- Develop professional judgement
- Work in a multidisciplinary team
- (Have fun!)



# Clinical Education Unit

## Clinical Education Unit Organisational Chart



# Clinical Education Unit – Who we are

- Director – Shirley Burke
- Medical Lead – Chris Leung
- Supervisor of Intern Training – Pascal Gelperowicz
- Supervisor of PGY2/3 Training – Sarah Rickman
- Education Officer – Pauline Dib
- Directors of Training (multiple)

... and many other staff for day-to-day training



# What we do

- Provide a diverse teaching and learning experience for over 300 junior medical staff
- Comprehensive orientation program
- Weekly intern education program
- Co-ordinate rotation assessments and feedback
- Optional after-hours training and workshops
- Supported by an excellent Simulation Centre and Library



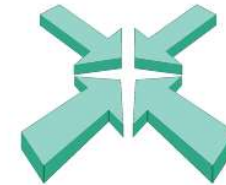
# Intern orientation

- 5-day comprehensive program
- Clinical skills practice including credentialing for IV cannulation
- BLS and ALS training
- Advanced clinical assessment skills for deteriorating patients



# Intern education program

- Every Tuesday 2.30-3.30pm – we have moved back to face to face sessions in the near future
- Protected teaching time
- Broad range of topics covered
- Soft skills, hands-on and didactic methods



Confederation of Postgraduate  
Medical Education Councils

## AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK FOR JUNIOR DOCTORS

version 2.2

Introduction

Clinical Management

Professionalism

Communication

Clinical Problems and Conditions

Skills & Procedures



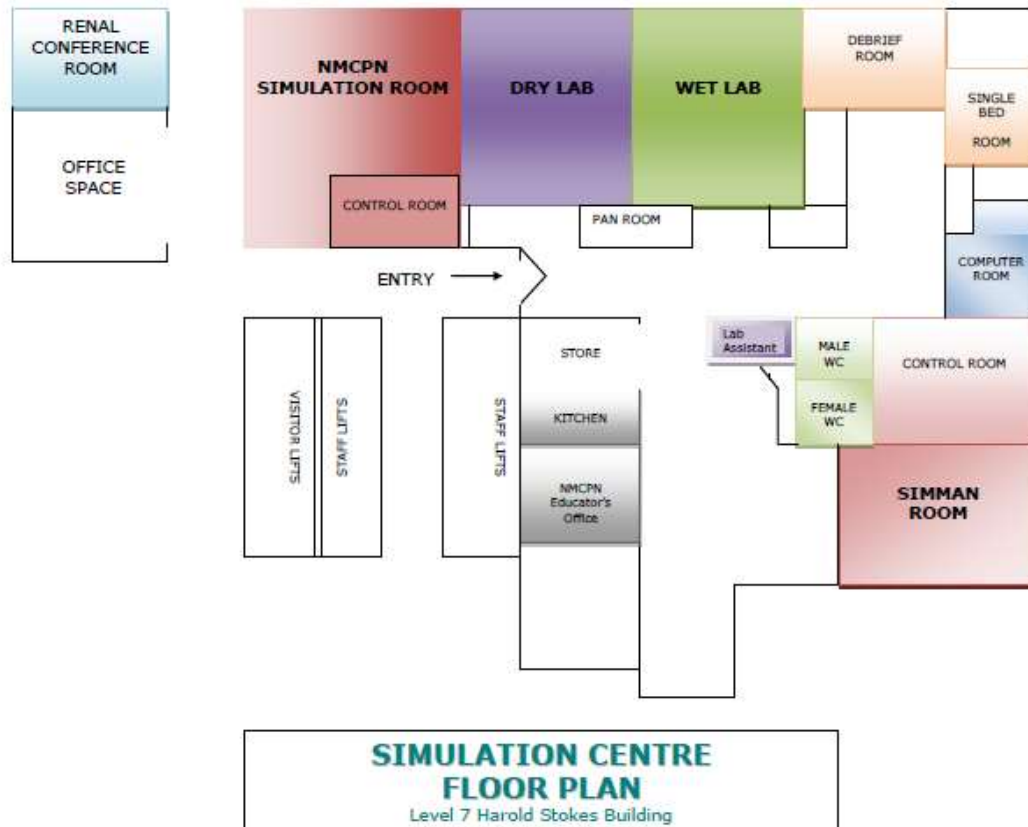
# Responsive Program

- Live sessions allow interaction
- Multimodal (didactic plus interactive)
- Dedicated online space for intern group
- Ready access to MEO, SiT, Med Lead
- Recorded sessions





# Simulation centre



- ▶ High Fidelity Simulation Manikin
- ▶ ALS Manikins
- ▶ BLS Manikins
- ▶ Airway Management Models
- ▶ Arm & Leg Models (Venepuncture, IV Cannulation, Suturing)
- ▶ Catheterisation Models (Urinary)
- ▶ Intubation Trainer
- ▶ Human Anatomy Model
- ▶ Lumbar Puncture Model
- ▶ Nasogastric Feeding Model
- ▶ Ostomy Care Model
- ▶ Pelvic Models (Rectal & Prostate Trainers)
- ▶ SimMan
- ▶ Tracheostomy Model
- ▶ Vascular Access Model
- ▶ Wound Management Models
- ▶ Other Models & Trainers
- ▶ Other Medical Equipment
- ▶ Teaching Equipment



# Other things we do

- Advocate for junior doctors
- Mentors, supervisors and role models
- Hand-in-hand mentor program
- Advertise other educational opportunities (eg. skills workshops, research training etc)
- One on one career discussion with SiT



# Education opportunities

It's not just about Tuesday lunchtimes!

- Admitting patients
- Presenting on ward rounds
- Bedside learning and mini-tutes
- Case presentations
- Audits, M&M or MDM meetings
- Grand Rounds
- Common procedures
- Optional skills or training activities (after-hours)





# Austin Health 2022 – Your brilliant career starts here!

Chris Leung. Medical Lead (Clinical Education Unit), Clinical Lead (National Prescribing Service Choosing Wisely), Academic Lead and Final Year Clinical Supervisor (MD Research Program, Austin Clinical School), Gastroenterologist, General Physician



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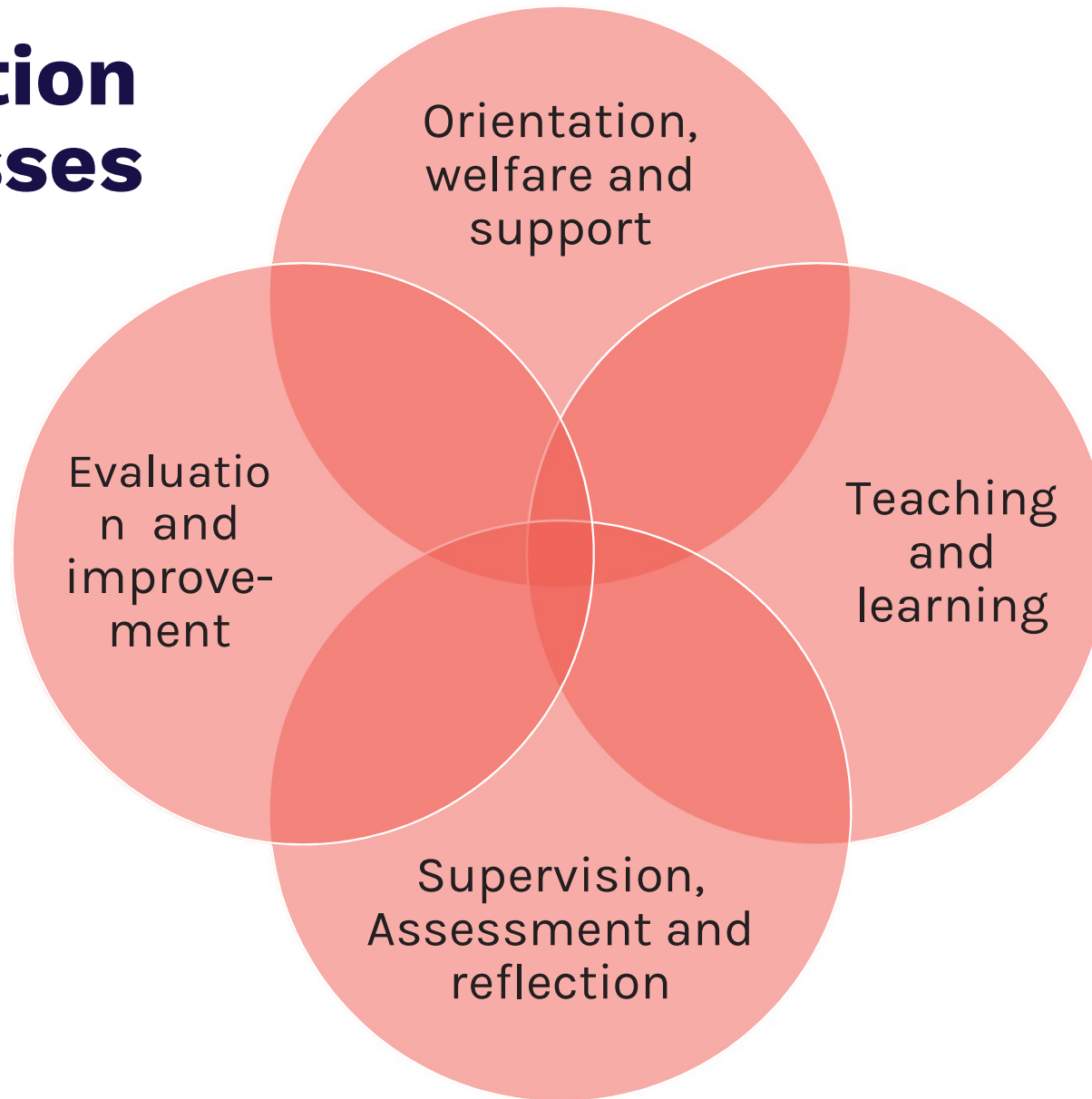


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# Education Processes



# PMCV programs

<https://www.pmcv.com.au/education/professional-development-program-for-registrars>



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# Teaching On The Run

## Why should you attend?

### To develop the ability to:

Plan and recognise opportunities for teaching

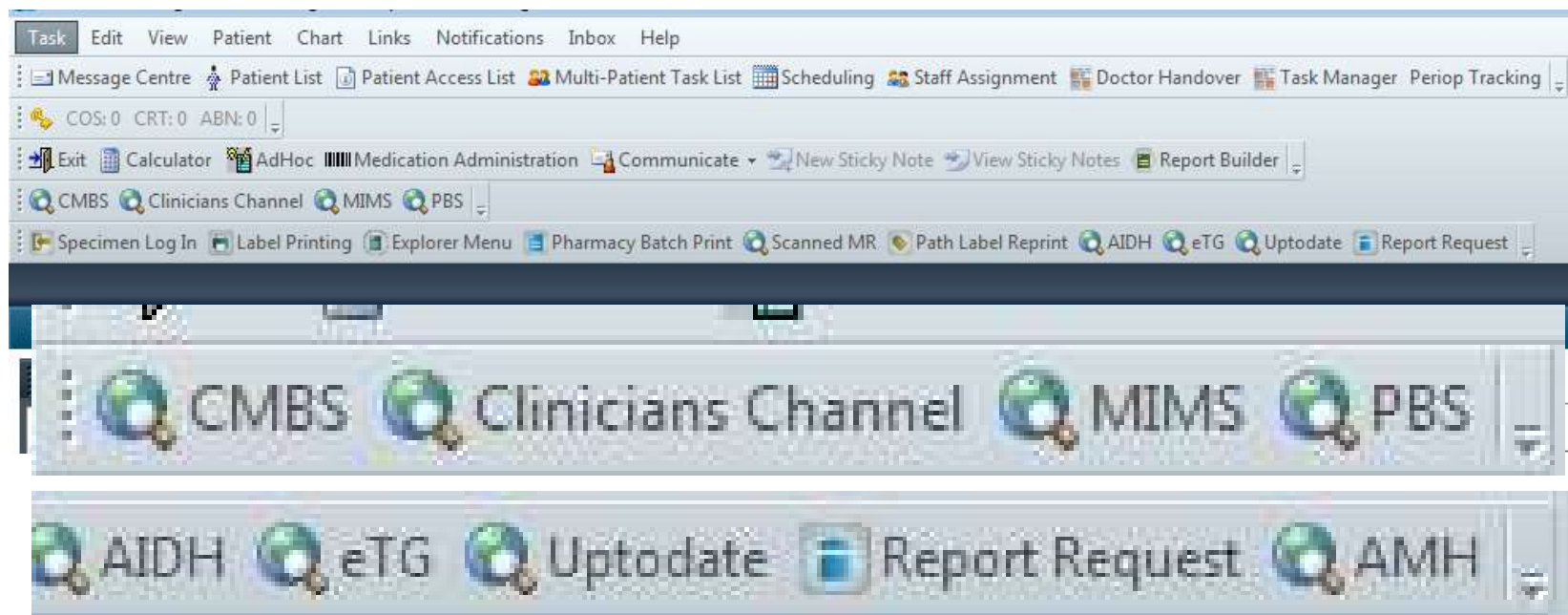
Provide effective feedback

Provide strategies that support good supervision and learner support

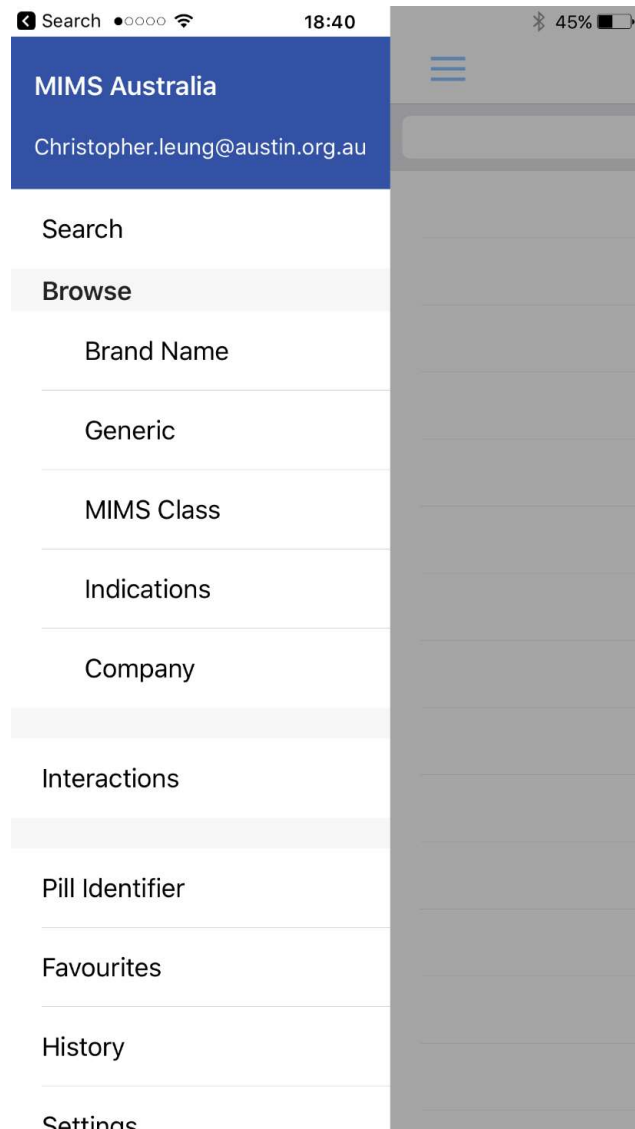
Build staff confidence in ability to teach



# It's all about easy access...



# Easy access with mobile apps!



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## Search results

Advanced search

Refine search

34 results found

### Hepatitis B

Guideline : Gastrointestinal Topic : [Viral hepatitis](#)

**Hepatitis B** Serological testing for **hepatitis B** infection Serological testing determines the presence of acute or chronic **hepatitis B**, resolved **hepatitis B**, adequacy of response to vaccination, and susceptibility to **hepatitis B**, as outlined in Table 6.10. Detailed information about testing for **hepatitis B** virus

### Overview of viral hepatitis

Guideline : Gastrointestinal Topic : [Viral hepatitis](#)

Overview of viral **hepatitis** If a patient presents with symptoms and signs of acute liver disease, consider: viral causes (eg **hepatitis A**, **B**, C, D or E, cytomegalovirus, Epstein-Barr virus, yellow fever) other

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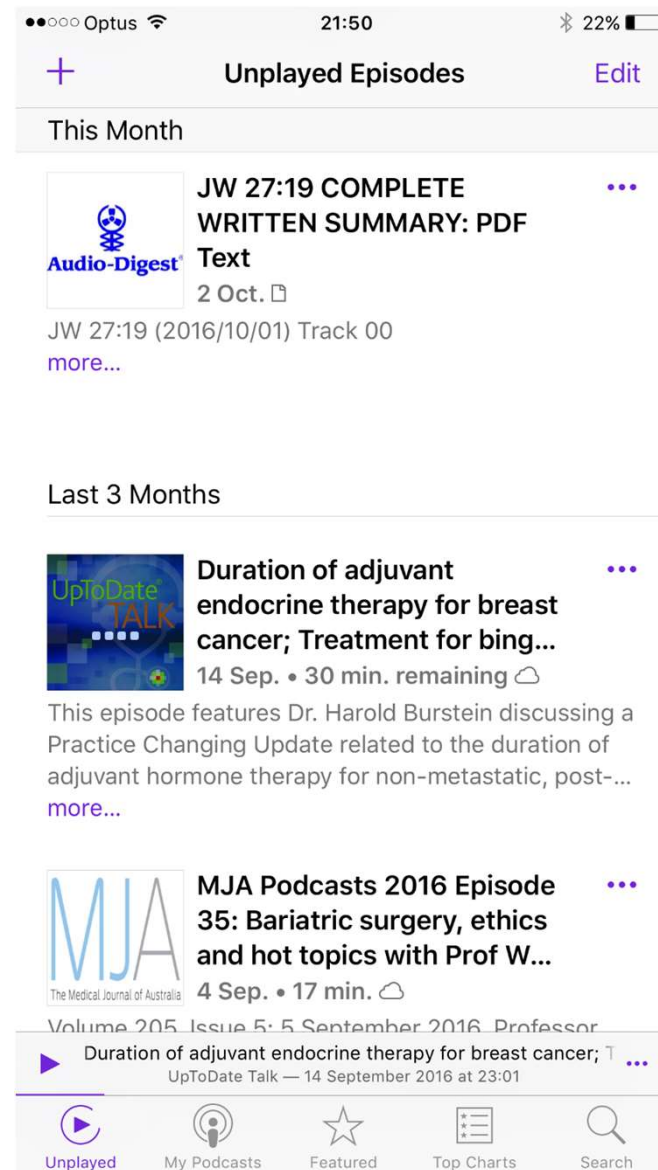
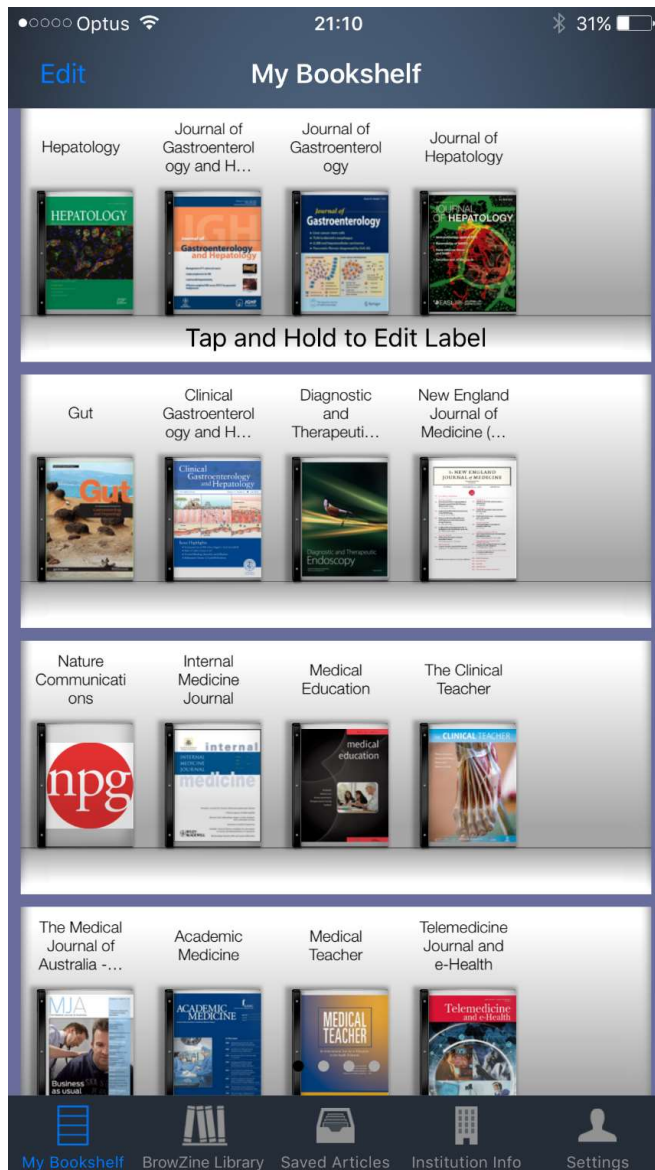
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## Diagnosis of hepatitis B virus infection

### Topic Outline

- [SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATIONS](#)
- [INTRODUCTION](#)
- [WHO SHOULD BE TESTED OR SCREENED](#)
- [SEROLOGIC MARKERS](#)
  - Hepatitis B surface antigen and antibody
  - Hepatitis B core antigen and antibody
    - Isolated anti-HBc
  - Hepatitis B e antigen and antibody
- [SERUM HBV DNA ASSAYS](#)
  - Clinical use
- [DIAGNOSTIC ALGORITHMS](#)
  - Acute hepatitis
  - Past HBV infection





# Austin Healthcasts

Intern and HMO podcasts

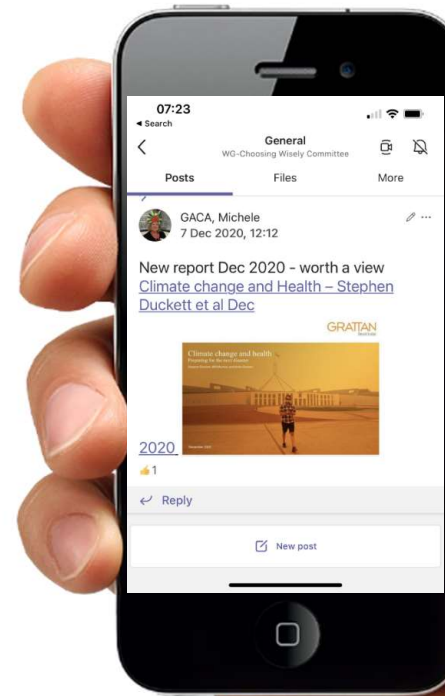
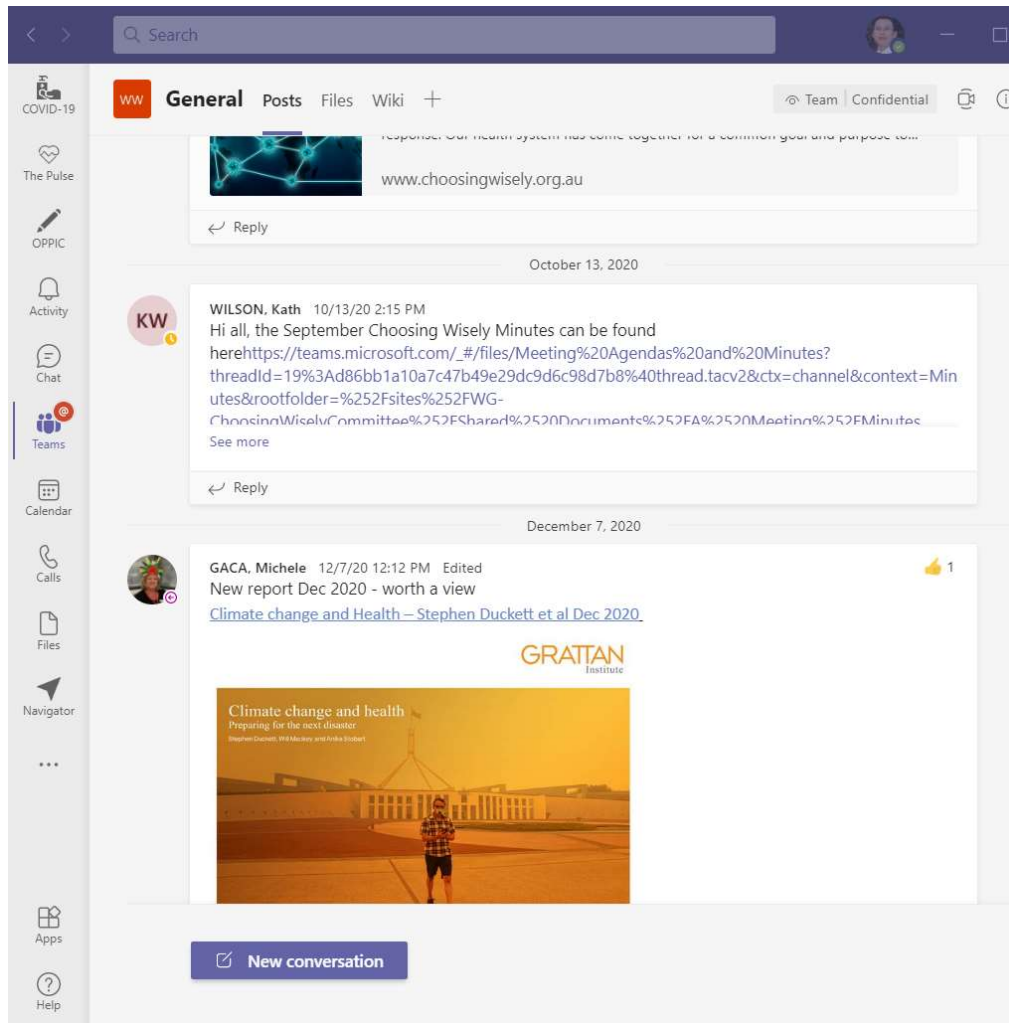
Purple Pens pharmacy podcasts

Linking with **Corporate Communications**





# The Opportunity with Microsoft Teams



2020 X International Conference on Virtual Campus. Dec 3 (pp. 1-4). IEEE.



# Research at Austin

Over 800 researchers & post-grad students

Over \$30M/year research funding

World class researchers

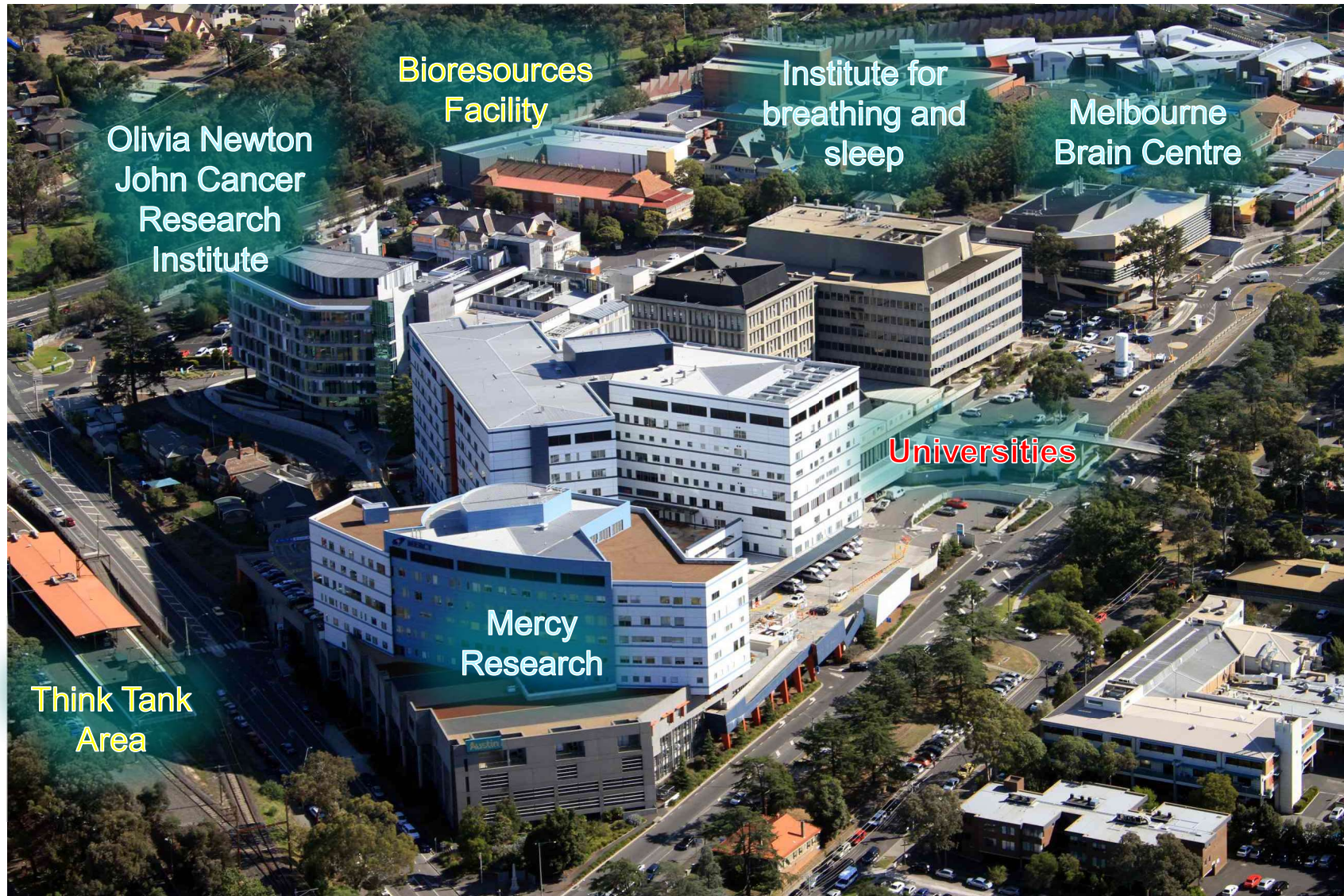
- Affiliated with eight universities
- UOM is ranked No.1 academic institution in Australia and 13<sup>th</sup> in the world for clinical, preclinical and health
- Multiple successes e.g. Prof Rinaldo Bellomo: Thomson Reuter's most published clinician



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# FUNDAMENTALS OF RESEARCH

For everyday practice

John Lindell Lecture Theatre  
Level 4, Lance Townsend Building  
Austin Health

Register at [www.austin.org.au/FOR](http://www.austin.org.au/FOR)

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# ADVANCED RESEARCH METHODS

Poised to publish

Austin Doyle Lecture Theatre  
Level 4, Austin Tower  
Austin Health

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# Innovative Education Programs

Simulation ([video](#)) ([SW Version](#))

- Psychological Safety Simulation Program
- Simulation Educators Development Program
- Trauma / Deterioration simulation workshops
- Consumers / volunteers as **simulated patients**





DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	VENUE
TUESDAY	0700 - 0800	SURGERY TUTORIALS (Weekly, April - November) <i>Official protected teaching time for SET Trainees based at Austin</i>	Howard Eddey Library Level 8 LTB
WEDNESDAY	0700 - 0730	Light Breakfast	Lecture Theatre Level 8 LTB
	0730 - 0830	SURGICAL FORUM INVITED LECTURES (Weekly, February - July) ANNUAL AUDTS (Weekly, July - November)	
THURSDAY	0700 - 0730	Light Breakfast	Lecture Theatre Level 8 LTB
	0730 - 0830	SURGICAL UNIT WEEKLY AUDIT (Weekly, February - December)	
FRIDAY	0700 - 0800	Clinical Case Discussions (Fortnightly, April - November) Surgical Anatomy Tutorials (Monthly, April - November)	Howard Eddey Library Level 8 LTB
SATURDAY	0930 - 1230	SIMULATION WORKSHOPS (Four sessions for 2016 preceding Saturday Seminars)	Endoscopy Suite Level 2
SATURDAY	1300 - 1700	SATURDAY SEMINARS (Monthly, April - October)	Lecture Theatre Level 8 LTB
SATURDAY	0900 - 1600	RACS / GSA Simulation Workshops (Three sessions for 2016 open to all Victorian Gen Surg SET Trainees)	RACS Skills Centre

FRIDAY	16 OCT 2015	Austin Surgery Research Prize (0800 - 11.00)
SATURDAY	5 DEC 2015	Austin Trainee Dinner



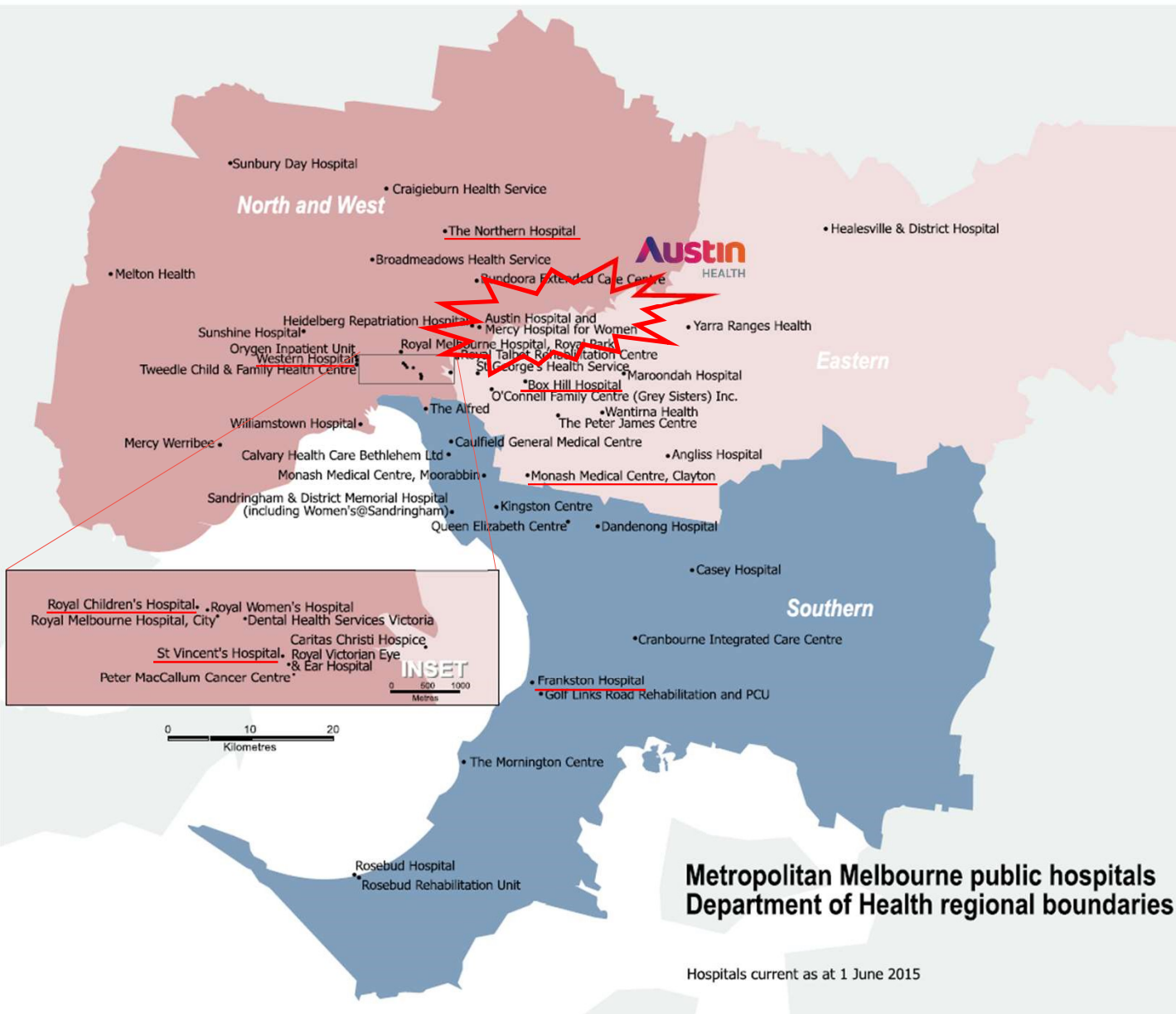
# Choosing Wisely

Austin is the **champion site** for “Choosing Wisely” National Prescribing Service Initiative

Supporting **evidence-based care, shared decision making and clinician and consumer education**

Funding from Better Care Victoria to support Project Officer and Clinical Leaders!

**Interdisciplinary Steering Committee** with support through to the board level



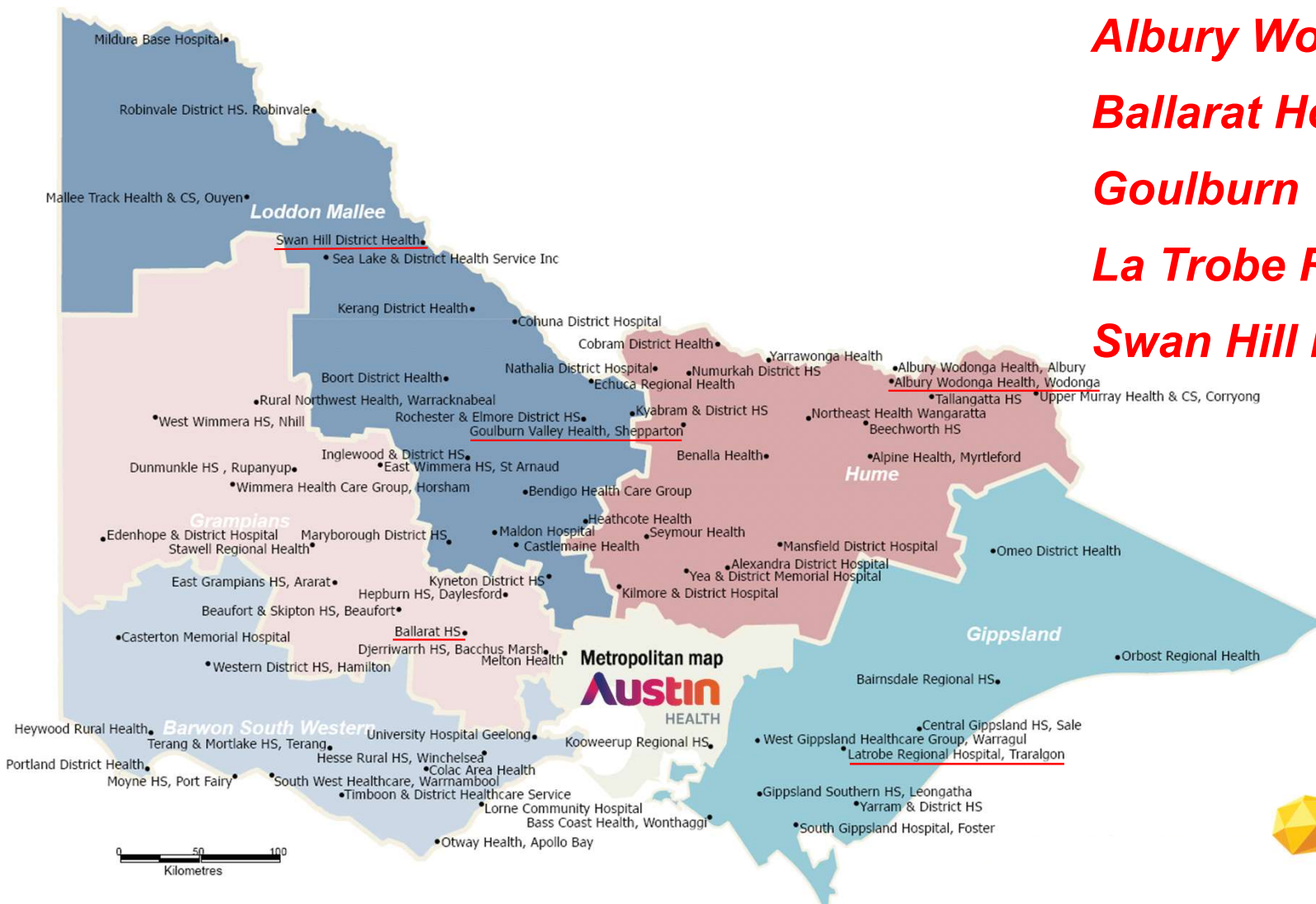
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***Monash Health***  
***Peninsula Health***  
***Royal Children Hospital***



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***Ballarat Hospital***

***Goulburn Valley Health***

***La Trobe Regional Hospital***

***Swan Hill Hospital***



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# 5 Questions for interns to use!

## And so, questions for the ward round:

1. How will this test change management?
2. Are there any tests you considered, but decided against?
3. Are there any test or treatments you feel are particularly over-ordered?
4. What are the goals of this treatment?
5. Why did you decide on this treatment compared to other options?

## IS THERE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THE USE OF IV MAGNESIUM IN ATRIAL FIBRILLATION?

### Fact or Fiction?




"... at present, the available data would suggest that magnesium, as an adjunct to electric cardioversion





# Choosing Wisely – Ask an Informationist

**Ask an Informationist** 

## IS THERE EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THE USE OF IV MAGNESIUM IN ATRIAL FIBRILLATION?

**Fact or Fiction?**

“... at present, the available data would suggest that magnesium, as an adjunct to electric cardioversion or for prevention, **is more myth** than a practical, easy (or magical) solution to the growing problem of AF.”

**2017** Systematic Review Evidence

“Magnesium administration post-cardiothoracic surgery appears to reduce AF without significant adverse events.”

- ✓ Optimal timing - postoperative with duration >24h, doses up to 60mmol, administered as boluses
- ✗ Insufficient evidence supporting magnesium therapy for treatment or prophylaxis of other arrhythmias
- ✗ “Magnesium **was inferior** to  $\beta$ -blockers and amiodarone in preventing postoperative atrial fibrillation/flutter (POAF), which is consistent with the findings in cardiac surgery”

**2016** Canadian Cardiovascular Society Guideline

✓ “We suggest that patients who have a contraindication to  $\beta$ -blocker therapy and amiodarone before or after cardiac surgery be considered for prophylactic therapy to prevent POAF with intravenous magnesium”

(Conditional Recommendation, Low-Quality Evidence)

**2014** NICE Clinical Guideline


✗ “Do not offer magnesium or a calcium-channel blocker for pharmacological cardioversion”

*Why not?*

The Guideline Development Group (GDG) determined that Magnesium was more clinically effective than calcium channel blockers but **less effective than placebo**. Therefore, the GDG considered these drugs showed harm and should not be used for cardioversion.”

**2013** Cochrane systematic review: “The ability of magnesium to prevent atrial fibrillation may be slightly less than that of the other pharmacological agents.”

Prepared by Austin Health Sciences Library Nov 2017 Full report: <http://hub.choosingwisely.org>

**Ask an Informationist** 

## WHAT IS THE EVIDENCE FOR MINIMUM RETESTING INTERVALS IN MICROBIOLOGY TESTS?

**THE ISSUE**

Laboratory test over-use is a known contributor to unnecessary interventions & patient harm

### MINIMUM RETESTING INTERVALS

The minimum time before a test should be repeated, based on test properties and clinical situation

“Defining appropriate use of clinical microbiology tests remains an elusive goal” Wilson 2002

### BEST EVIDENCE FOR MICROBIOLOGY

✓ “If no evidence-based guidance existed ... recommendations were based on consensus”

**“All recommendations in this area of pathology were based on consensus expert peer opinion.”** Royal College of Pathologists 2015

### THE WAY FORWARD

- Studies indicate implementing computerised alert systems based on retesting intervals can save ~12.8% test cost
- Cleveland Clinic’s “**Hard Stop**” method prevents same-day testing for 1200+ tests (at 2013)

✓ saved US\$300,000+ ✓ prevented 18,000+ duplicate tests

### EXPERT OPINION

**We need a stronger evidence base!**

Prepared by Austin Health Sciences Library Mar 2018

**Ask an Informationist** 

## FOR ACUTE NON-VARICEAL UPPER GI BLEED... SHOULD IV PPIs BE GIVEN TWICE DAILY OR CONTINUOUSLY?

**Current**

**2016** Globally, guidelines recommend: in high risk patients, with acute non-variceal UGIB, post endoscopic haemostasis, administer PPI as IV bolus (80mg) followed by continuous infusion (8mg/hr) for 72 hours

BSGE 2002; ACG 2012; ESGE 2015; NICE 2016; Nanchang 2016; JGES 2016

**2002**

**but wait...**

**2017** UTD recommends administering IV PPI “at a dose of **40mg twice daily** rather than a high-dose continuous infusion”

“Our approach differs from 2010 and 2012 guidelines... Meta-analyses of randomised trials have **failed to show superior outcomes with high-dose continuous IV PPI administration** compared with intermittent dosing”

Overview of the treatment of bleeding peptic ulcers, UpToDate 2017

**and...**

“intermittent PPI therapy has been found to be **safe and effective** while significantly reducing cost, even in patients with high-risk stigmata after endoscopy”


Evidence summary - American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy, Feb 2017

**plus...**

- Low dose IV PPI achieved the **same efficacy** as high dose PPI post endoscopic haemostasis
- “High dose PPI show little or **no difference** in the risk of rebleeding and mortality”
- “The risk/benefit and cost/benefit balance are probably unfavorable to the use of high doses”

Evidence summaries 2010 & 2016

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**Ask an Informationist** 

## Are opioids necessary FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PAIN FOLLOWING LIMB FRACTURE SURGERY OR EXTREMITY TRAUMA?

**The issue...**

The ‘opioid crisis’ has recently been reframed as a “public health emergency” (Gostin et al 2017)

**plus ...**

Postoperative prescription opioids are often unused, unlocked & undisposed (Bicket et al 2017)

“Across all reports, 2 to 5 times more opioids are prescribed than consumed” (Gauger et al 2018)


**Recent evidence ...**

Non-opioid analgesia is as effective as opioid analgesia for acute extremity pain (Chang et al 2017)

Combination non-opioids reduce opioid consumption post-operatively (Martinez et al 2017)

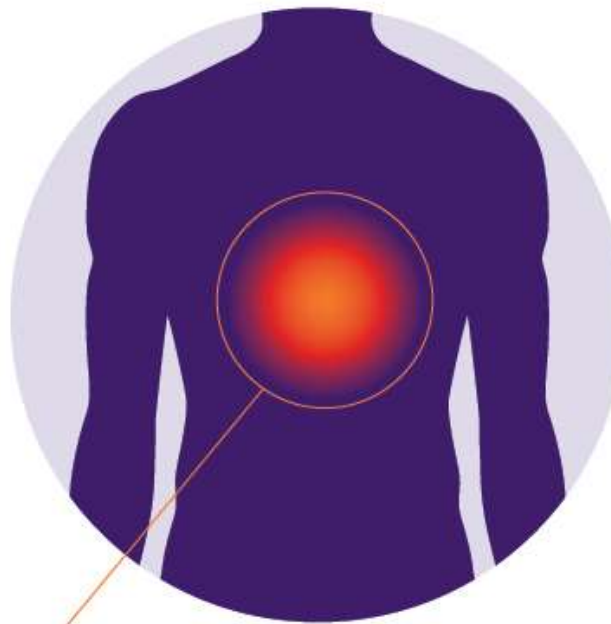
“Multimodal analgesia is available and the evidence is strong to support its efficacy” (Wick et al 2017)

**The balancing act...**

**Optimal pain management**  **Responsible prescribing**

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# HEARTBURN AND REFLUX **MEDICINE USE** IN AUSTRALIA



**NOT EVERYONE WITH  
HEARTBURN AND REFLUX  
NEEDS DAILY MEDICINE  
FOR THEIR SYMPTOMS**



About 1.6 million  
Australians take  
prescription  
heartburn and reflux  
medicine\* daily



Over 19 million  
prescriptions issued  
for heartburn and  
reflux medicine\* in  
2013-14†



The most common  
heartburn and reflux  
medicine\* cost the  
taxpayer over \$200  
million‡ in 2013-14†



A person taking  
daily prescription  
heartburn and reflux  
medicine pays about  
\$450\* per year



Up to 30% of people  
taking heartburn and  
reflux medicine\* may  
be able to stop after  
their initial course  
(typically 4-8 weeks)



Government of Western Australia  
North Metropolitan Health Service  
Sir Charles Gairdner Osborne Park Health Care Group



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### Does your patient still need a PPI?

#### Long term use =

- Pneumonia
- *C. Diff*
- Fractures
- Vitamin deficiencies
- Dementia
- Interstitial Nephritis
- Spontaneous bacterial peritonitis

#### Wean or Stop if:

- 2 weeks post variceal surveillance banding
- ICU Stress Ulcer Prophylaxis
- Peptic Ulcer disease treatment complete
- Upper GI symptoms resolved
- Treated *H. Pylori*
- See PPI deprescribing algorithm

For more information contact: [christopher.leung@austin.org.au](mailto:christopher.leung@austin.org.au)





## Should your patient be on a PPI?

### Yes – for the following indications:

- Barretts Oesophagus
- NSAIDs / chronic antiplatelet anticoagulation prescribed for more than 1 week with bleeding risk (as determined by appropriate unit eg. Gastro / Haem)
- GI ulceration (acute / chronic bleeding)
- Partial gastrectomy with intact antrum / oesophagectomy
- Other (low levels of supporting evidence):
  - Severe oesophagitis including chemotherapy induced mucositis
  - Solid organ transplant for stress ulcer prophylaxis
  - ICU stress ulcer prophylaxis
  - Coagulopathy and platelets < 50
  - High dose steroids

Continue PPI

### On Discharge:

- Document a clear prescribing plan in discharge summary:
  - Indication
  - Dose / Frequency
  - Duration of PPI therapy (please specify a STOP date if applicable)
- Educate patient of change

### Maybe – for the following indications:

- Mild – moderate oesophagitis
- Bariatric surgery

Consider

### No – for the following indications:

- Peptic ulcer disease treated for 6-12 weeks (NSAIDs stopped, *H.pylori* eradicated)
- Upper GI symptoms without endoscopy (asymptomatic for 3 consecutive days)
- Uncomplicated *H.pylori* treated for 2 weeks and symptomatic (aim to stop once eradicated)
- GORD treated 4-8 weeks (oesophagitis healed, symptoms controlled for 3 months)

Desprescribe or stop PPI

### Options to De-Prescribe or Stop PPI

REDUCE DOSE – If on PPI for > 6 months, half the dose weekly until on lowest possible dose then stop. Tapering will reduce the risk of rebound symptoms

OR

USE ON DEMAND – daily until symptoms stop or H2 antagonist

OR

STOP – If on PPI < 6 months or in hospital indication resolved.

### On Discharge:

- Document a clear de-prescribing plan in discharge summary:
  - Duration of PPI therapy (please specify a STOP date)
- Educate patient of change

Task Edit View Patient Chart Links Notifications Options Current Add Help

Message Centre Patient List Patient Access List Multi-Patient Task List Scheduling Staff Assignment Doctor Handover

CRT: 0 ABN: 0 COS: 17

Tear Off Exit Calculator AdHoc Medication Administration Communicate New Sticky Note View Sticky Notes

CMBS Clinicians Channel MIMS PBS

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### Decision Support

#### Identified Order: **Coagulation Studies**

#### Reference

Coagulation Studies

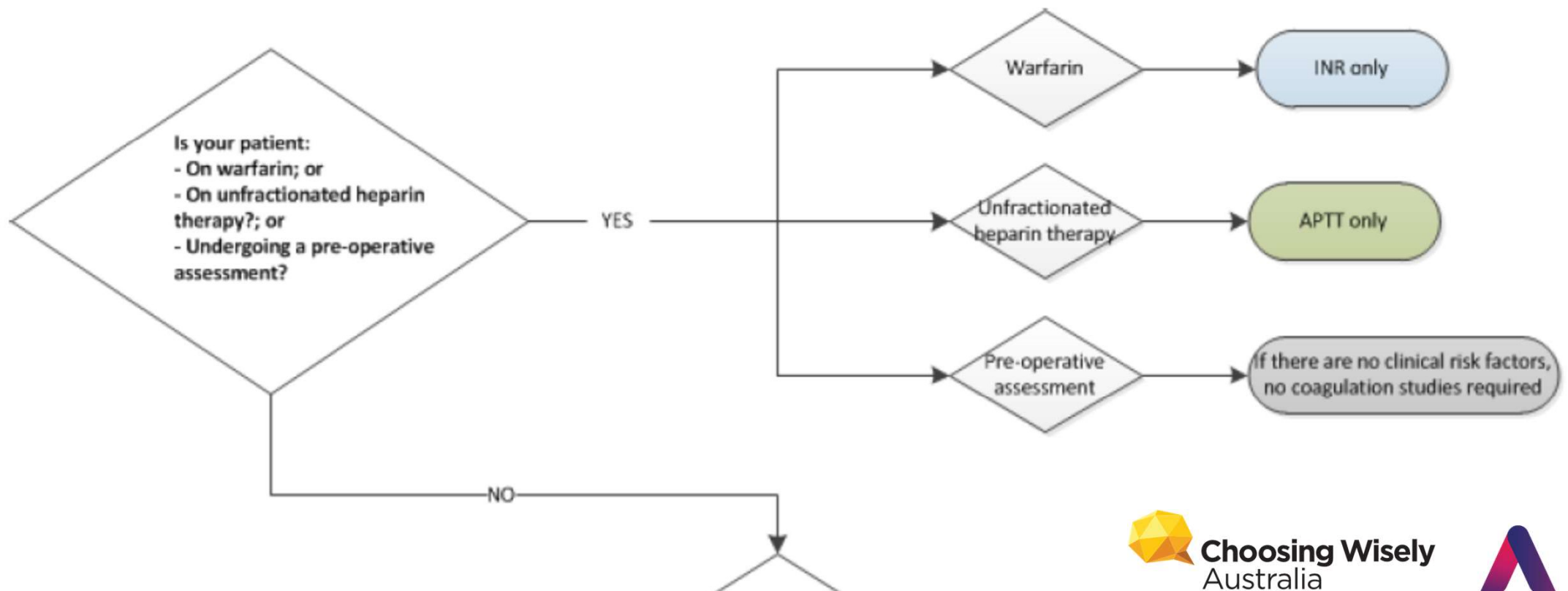
☐ CarePlan information ☐ Chart guide ☒ Nurse preparation ☐ Patient education ☐ Policy and procedure

This test includes APTT, INR, PT and Fibrinogen.

Routine testing of all four tests of coagulation is not in line with current guidelines.

Please see the ePPIC document: [Guideline for Ordering Pathology Tests – Coagulation Studies](#)

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# Limited utility of routine chest X-ray in initial evaluation of neutropenic fever in patients with haematological diseases undergoing chemotherapy

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## Key words

chest X-ray, neutropenic fever, haematological malignancy, choosing wisely.

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## Abstract

**Background:** Routine chest X-ray (CXR) is recommended for neutropenic fever (NF) management however its role is relatively understudied in haematology patients.

**Aim:** To investigate the utility of CXR in the diagnosis and management of patients with haematological conditions complicated by NF.

**Methods:** Retrospective, single-centre analysis of haematology patients admitted with NF between January 2011 and December 2015. Baseline demographics, treatment details and outcomes were collected from electronic patient records. CXR underwent

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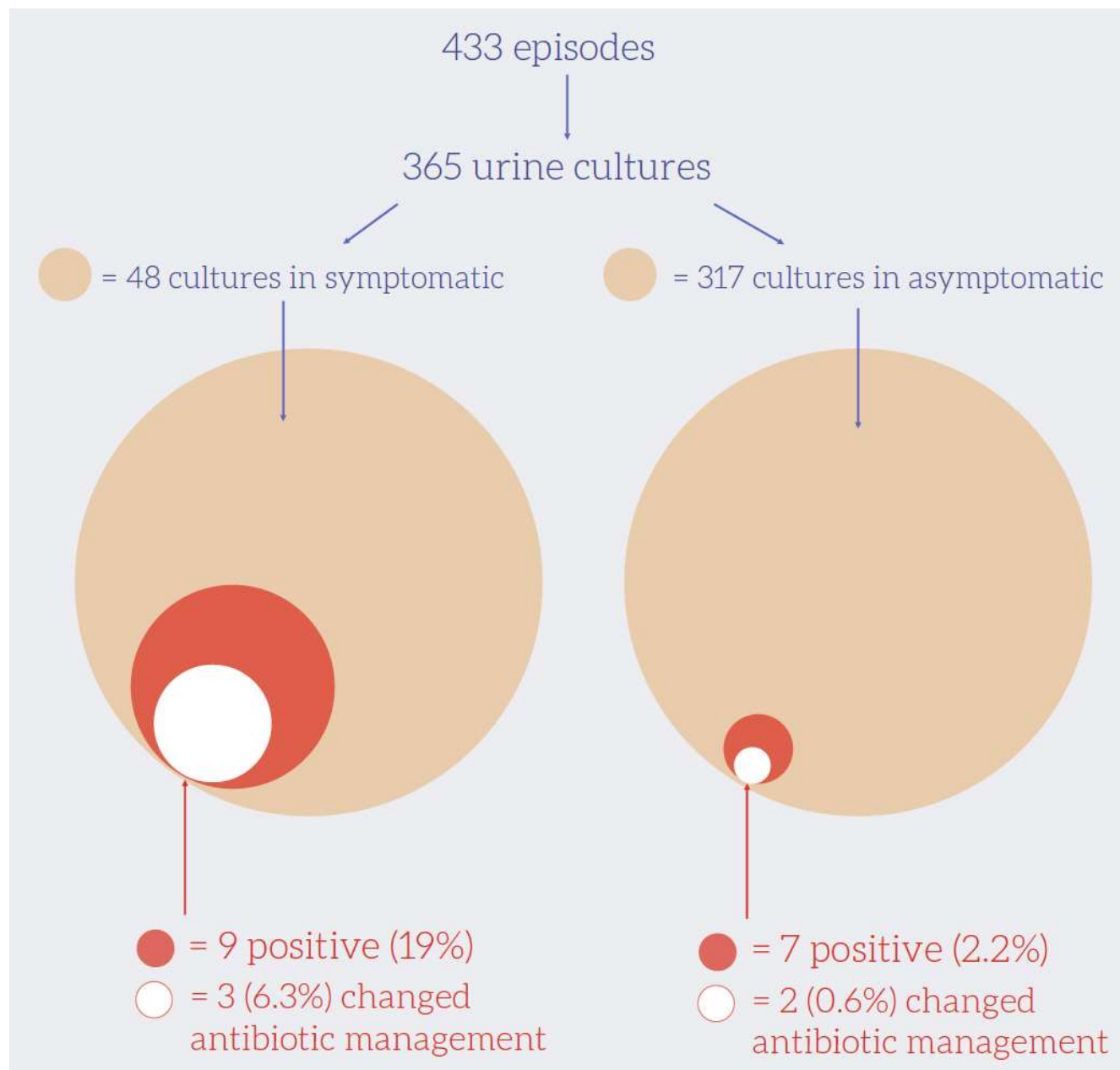
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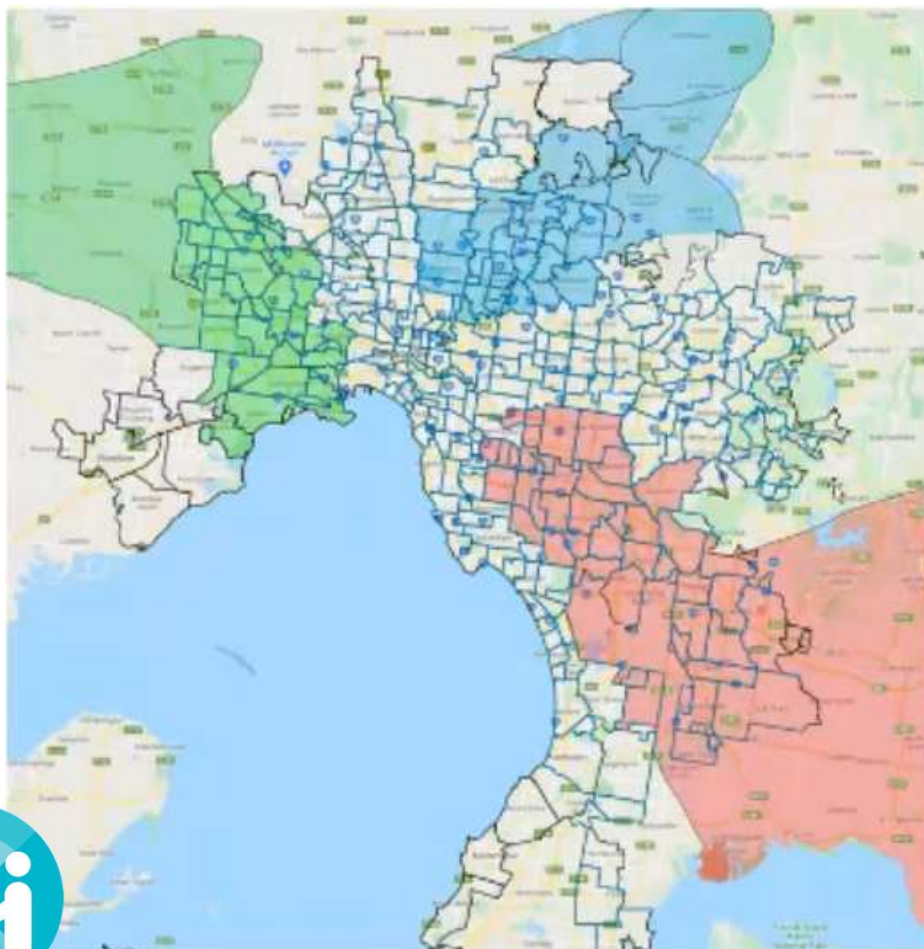
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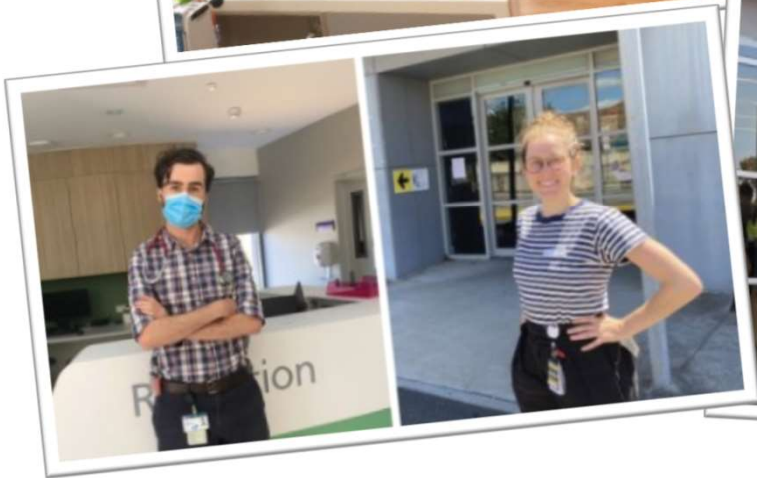
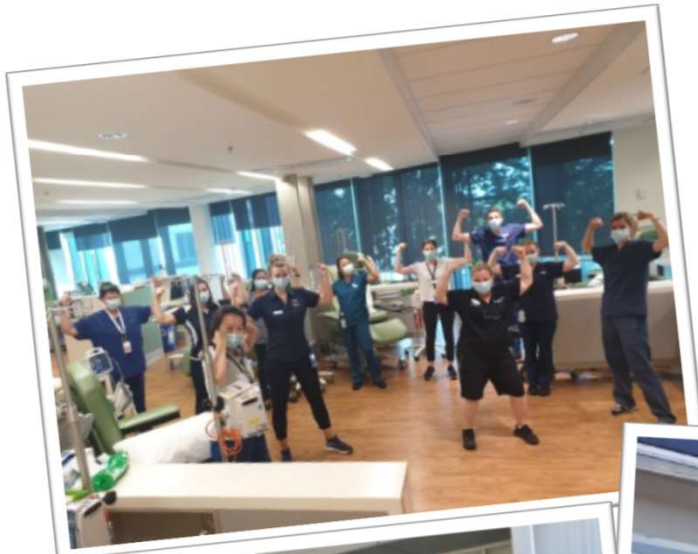


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# Questions and Answers

## Medical Staff Panel:

- Victor Zhang – Neurology Registrar
- Peter Le – Intern
- Cindy Jiao – HMO
- Luke Wang – HMO
- Sue Sritharan – HMO
- Esther Johns – Intern
- Ethan Tan – Intern
- Anna Vaux – Intern



# Questions and Answers

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- **Is the standard CV Template for Austin Health the same as the PMCV CV Template?**

Yes, please use the Example CV Template 2021 available through the PMCV. This can be downloaded from the [PMCV website](#).

We have also included a copy on our [Intern Recruitment](#) web page.

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- **Is there a page limit to the CV?**

We have not set a page limit for CVs; however, it is important that content included in the CV is relevant and appropriate.

The standardized CV template provides various headings/sections for you to complete and follow.

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- **Can the non-clinical reference be a research supervisor?**
  - **Can the non-clinical reference be an academic supervisor/mentor that hasn't supervised us in a clinical setting?**

The non-clinical reference can be anyone of your choice, however, it is recommended that you select a referee who has known you well enough to provide a strong character reference and able to comment on your skills, attributes and abilities.

Examples of non-clinical referees could include a past employer/manager/supervisor or someone you have worked with as part of a volunteer or community organisation, a sporting group or research supervisor.

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- **Is there a form for the non-clinical reference to complete or is this just a general written reference?**
  - **Will the non-clinical referee be asked to rate us on a sliding scale, give worded responses or both?**

There is no specific form, template or rating scale for non-clinical references, this is just a general written reference/letter. Ideally, the reference should only be one page.

Your referee should outline:

- Their role and the nature of their relationship with you (i.e. direct manager/supervisor),
- Confirm the period for which they have known/worked with you (i.e. start and end dates with the organisation), and
- Provide comment on your role, performance, strengths and abilities.

The non-clinical reference is an opportunity for Austin Health to obtain further insights about you and your performance in a non-clinical environment.

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- **When referring to 'Intern Review Process' occurring between 18 June – 2 July, does this refer to our pre-recorded interview or a 'live' interview?**

The period between 18 June – 2 July will be the period for which Austin Health will review the pre-recorded interviews for those who have been shortlisted for review.

Unfortunately, due to the new application framework and limited timeframe for Health Service selection and recruitment processes, Austin Health will not be conducting our own/separate interviews in 2021.

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- **How many places are there for intern Radiology rotations and Radiology pathway at Austin Health?**

We have one Radiology/Liver Transplant Unit rotation available in Internship, thus will be an opportunity for 5 interns to complete this rotation.

There are no Radiology rotations available in our HMO training streams, however, all three (general, medical or surgical) provide a pathway to Radiology Training.

In terms of Radiology Training, we have four (4) First Year Radiology Registrar positions and can provide all Radiology training requirements at Austin Health.

Radiology Registrars who complete their examination requirements (usually in the first year of training) and wish to continue, are generally offered a four-year contract with Austin Health thereafter for the remaining duration of their training.

In addition to Radiology Registrar/Trainee positions, we also have a number of Radiology Fellow positions, including in Interventional Neuroradiology.

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- **How does the mentoring program work? Would interns be matched with a HMO or Consultant?**

Austin Health Doctors Mentor Program is an initiative involving doctors who have pledged to become mentors so that they can be approached for advice and guidance by their colleagues and peers.

There are mentors from all departments and from different levels - participation in the program is completely voluntary and is open to all medical staff (from interns to consultants). All mentors also get formal training which has been touted as best in class by PMCV.

We did think about matching interns but feedback was that it did not allow flexibility.

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- **Who should we address our cover letter to?**

Please address your cover letter to Ms Ashleigh Donaldson, Medical Workforce Coordinator, Medical Workforce Unit.

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- **It was mentioned that 2 category 2 applicants may be able to secure a position. Are there any category 3 applicants who were successful last year or in past years?**

As part of the PMCV Intern Match process, Health Services nominate a minimum number of positions that they would like to withhold for Round 2/Priority Group 2 candidates. These numbers are generally based on positions in excess of Priority Group 1 requirements.

Austin Health generally and will be nominating 2 positions for 2021, however, following the Round 1 (Priority Group 1) match, more positions may become available where an offer is declined.

For 2021, four (4) Priority Group 2 candidates were matched to Austin Health.

Unfortunately, we did not have any Priority Group 3 candidates in 2021 or 2020.

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- **Would you advise that we enter our applications as early as possible to ensure more time for review, or will they only be looked at after the Intern Match close date (03/06/2021)?**

There is no need to rush your applications. Our advice would be to be well prepared and obtain all the information you need prior to applying.

Allow time to prepare your CV, carefully consider your referees and contact them where necessary (especially for clinical referees who you may not have been in close contact with in the past year or two), research the Health Services you wish to apply to and put some effort into your application letters.

At Austin Health, we do not plan to start reviewing applications until a week before applications close.

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- **With regards to flat hierarchy and support of JMOs, how does medical workforce support JMOs who have witnessed poor behaviour from senior doctors without fear of ramifications of career progression?**

At Austin Health, we do not accept poor behaviour at any level and across any discipline.

There are many avenues for JMOs to report poor behaviour (or any matters of concern), these can be via formal reporting lines or channels such as Human Resources.

JMOs should not have any fear in 'speaking up', however, should this be a concern, both our teams will be able to support JMOs through the process and provide anonymity should this be required.



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The Clinical Education and Medical Workforce Units are independent units that oversee, monitor and provide organisational support and governance. As such, we are not accountable or aligned to any unit/specialty, and are able to confidentially and collaboratively manage these situations from an organisational viewpoint and approach.

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- **Is there an opportunity to get involved with the Melbourne Brain Centre as an intern?**

Absolutely! There are always opportunities to get involved with any of Austin's hospital departments, partner universities and independent research institutions.

It is only a matter of asking and expressing interest. If not sure, approach your CEU or MWU and we'll be able to facilitate introductions and connections.

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- **Are there any statistics on the spread of interns from a variety of the Victorian Universities or is it primarily a University of Melbourne intake?**

Austin Health recruit to Intern positions based on merit and do not rank according to clinical schools or universities. Although, all Austin Clinical School students are automatically shortlisted for 'interview review'.

In terms of stats, the numbers vary each year, but we generally see a 50/30/20 or 40/40/20 spread (Melbourne/Monash/Deakin and Notre Dame).

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- **What opportunities are there beyond internship for those of us interested in O&G? Are we able to undertake rotations at Mercy in PGY2?**
- **Does the General HMO year in PGY2 include O&G and Paediatrics?**

Both O&G and Paediatrics rotations are available in our General Stream.

In HMO2 year, an Ophthalmology/Gynaecology rotation is available at Austin Health and in HMO3 we have two (2) O&G positions on rotation at Mercy Health for Women and one O&G position at Mildura Public Hospital.

For Paediatrics, we have a rotation at Mildura Public Hospital in HMO2 and there is possibility to adapt a Paediatric experience at Katherine District Hospital in the Northern Territory in HMO3.

Please refer to our [HMO Recruitment](#) page for further information on our training streams and available rotations.

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- **Could you please talk about BPT at Austin and the supports available for BPT trainees?**

Austin Health is part of the Central North West Basic Physician Training Consortium, one of the largest and most successful BPT programs in the state.

For detailed information on our BPT program, please refer to our [HMO Recruitment](#) page.

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- **Is there potential for a critical care year in HMO2?**

Unfortunately, Austin Health currently does not offer a Critical Care Year in HMO2, however, we do have a very strong and competitive HMO3 Critical Care program.

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- **Will the Austin use the filter function to see/select applicants who preference Austin in the top 3 or 5?**

The option for Health Services to filter applicants who have ranked them in their Top 3 or 5 will be available through the PMCV.

Austin Health may use this filter depending on how many applicants rank us in their Top 3, 5 or 8.

Our plan is to review approx. 500 applications and shortlist 300-350 for interview assessment. If 500 applicants rank us in their Top 5, then this filter would be appropriate, however, if there are only 300, then we would review all applicants who have ranked Austin in their 8.