

Information sheet for Paediatric Medicine

Name of Unit / Specialty: Paediatric Medicine

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Summary of Position/Unit:

This one-year post comprises general paediatric medicine, giving the opportunity for the registrar to gain experience in longitudinal outpatient follow-up of patients with a variety of problems. The Unit has 7 Paediatric Registrar full time positions available (job share considered).

Medical Officers will be expected to assess and manage only paediatric patients (up to 18 years old) in the Paediatric Inpatient Ward on 2 West, in the Paediatric Emergency and Short Stay Unit and Paediatric outpatient clinics. The department runs a 24/7 onsite roster which includes night duty.

The Department of Paediatric Medicine is part of the Medical Services Division and is located at the Austin Hospital campus in Heidelberg.

Austin Health is a paediatric teaching hospital and a quaternary referral center for Acute Spinal Injuries, some of which are adolescents.

The Inpatient Paediatric Ward on 2 West is a 13-bed unit comprising medical and surgical patients. On average, the inpatient unit treats 1100 children every year for medical admissions which include general paediatrics, endocrine, epilepsy and eating disorders. Surgical admissions include ENT, orthopedics, plastics, ophthalmology and maxillofacial surgery.

The Paediatric Outpatients service attends to around 3000 patients per year. Clinics include, general paediatrics, adolescent and child eating disorder program, a monthly diabetes clinic and urgent emergency department referrals. The twelve-month term gives the opportunity for the registrar to gain experience in longitudinal outpatient follow-up of patients with a variety of problems. Medical student teaching is also required.

The Paediatric Emergency Department is a 6-cubicle dedicated area with a paediatric procedure room. The department sees approximately 18,000 paediatric presentations every year and is staffed with Paediatric Emergency Physicians, Paediatric Registrars and Emergency Registrars.

Pre-requisites/Preferences for Candidates:

- A commitment to Austin Health values
- Registration as a Medical Practitioner with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) (note eligible applicants will be assisted through this process).
- Have appropriate training and experience applicable to the field of Paediatric Medicine
- Demonstrated commitment to high quality patient care
- Demonstrated teamwork and collaboration
- Demonstrated ability to communicate at all levels
- This position is accredited by the RACP for 12 months Paediatric Medicine Advanced Training, or continuing Basic Training.
- All applicants must have a valid Working with Children Check.
- Demonstrated capability and interest in research
- Demonstrated commitment to teaching
- Demonstrated understanding of Clinical Governance
- Completed a satisfactory Victoria Police record check
- Ability to participate in the roster, with flexibility for night shift and weekend cover

CVs

Your CV should include as minimum:

- **Passport-sized photo** on the front page of your CV photocopy or black and white digital photo acceptable.
- Name of University for medical degree and date of graduation.
- Full chronological working history since graduation, including gaps in employment.
- **List of referees**: please ensure your referees provide your references by the closing date for applications.
- Your referees must relate to work completed since 2019 to include dates worked, date
 of reference, and contact details of referee. Pro forma is preferred, but written are
 acceptable.
- **Evidence of academic achievements**: academic transcript from university, publications in peer reviewed journals, certificates for courses completed.

References

It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that references are provided, when requested.

Important Dates To Remember:

| Closing Date for applicants | TBC |
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| References due | TBC |
| Interviews/ Selection Process: | TBC |