Facilitated by SHPA, the Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program offers 89 hospital pharmacy internships in Victorian public hospitals in 2018; 80 positions are funded by the Victoria Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and nine positions are hospital self-funded.

All applications are made via SHPA at: careers.shpa.org.au/interns/victorian-interns
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ALBURY WODONGA HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Albury and Wodonga

Albury Wodonga Hospital was formed on the 1st July 2009 when both Albury Base Hospital and Wodonga Regional Health Service were integrated. The Integrated hospital is approximately 250 beds.

Service at the Albury Campus includes Medical, Surgical, Paediatrics, ICU, Emergency, Oncology and Psychiatry.

Service at Wodonga campus include Medical, Rehabilitation, Close Observation Unit, Surgical, Obstetric, Special Care Nursery, Haemodialysis, Day Procedure Unit, Emergency Services and drug supply to regional hospitals.

The Pharmacy Department is modern with open plan design. The current staffing levels are Pharmacist 8.3 EFT; Pharmacy technician 6.0 EFT and Pharmacy Pre-Registrant 2.0. The pre-registrant is involved with ward pharmacy, inpatient and outpatient dispensing, sterile and non-sterile manufacture, supply to regional hospitals and inventory control.

For more information visit www.awh.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

One intern position is available in 2018.

Intern rotations between campuses occur every two months.

The training program follows the Practice Guidelines for Hospital Pharmacy trainee programs.

The pre-registrant is required to study three items each week and give a brief report.

Presentation of case studies from the ward to pharmacy staff, along with continuing education talks to nursing staff is encouraged.

Interns will have interaction with their tutor formally once a week, but informally daily with on-the-job training.

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ALFRED HEALTH

The Alfred is a major tertiary referral teaching hospital. It has a major role in the provision of specialist tertiary and quaternary services on a state-wide and national basis:

- Specialist areas include trauma, emergency and intensive care, comprehensive cancer services, blood diseases, melanoma, bone marrow transplant, respiratory medicine, cardiology/cardiovascular, neurosurgery, general and specialist surgery and medicine, psychiatry and diagnostic services
- The Alfred’s state-wide services include heart and lung replacement and transplantation, cystic fibrosis, burns, HIV/AIDS, haemophilia, sexual health and hyperbaric medicine.

Over 100 pharmacists and 30 support staff enable the Alfred Health Pharmacy department to provide a seven day a week, extended hour clinical pharmacy service incorporating a range of innovative services through five programs: Clinical Pharmacy Services, Quality Use of Medicines Services, Operational Services, Research, and Education.

For more information visit www.alfred.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Seven intern positions are available in 2018.

The Pharmacy Department at Alfred Health provides a comprehensive and modern intern training program at one of Australia’s most renowned Clinical Pharmacy services.

Orientation: Every intern undergoes a one-week orientation program and introduction to the overall department. Additionally, interns will have a three-week clinical orientation rotation with their supervisor to develop essential skills in basic clinical pharmacy processes.

Rotations: Intern rotations will be mainly based at The Alfred, 55 Commercial Road, Melbourne, and include:

- Operational rotations (dispensaries and aseptic preparations): 9 weeks in total
- Clinical rotations (core): 10 weeks in General Medicine (includes rotation to Sandringham campus), 10 weeks in Surgery, 6 weeks in Cardiology, 5 weeks in Aged Care (includes rotation to Caulfield campus)
- Clinical rotation (elective): 6 weeks in a clinical area of intern choice
- Medicines Information: 2 weeks.

Support: Each intern is allocated a dedicated Supervisor, to provide guidance, advice and assistance with exam preparation. Each intern will also be allocated a Mentor, senior pharmacist, to assist with the development of a research project.

Education Program: The education program comprises of weekly intern education sessions on a range of clinical, primary care and exam preparation topics. Clinical sessions are often presented by clinical pharmacists in the hospital, many of them specialists in their field.

Research and Governance portfolio: Each intern contributes toward a research project as well as governance in a specified portfolio. The aim is to give each intern an opportunity to develop research, leadership and administrative skills in a chosen speciality.

Practice Exams: Multiple practice exams are provided during the year to help you become familiar with the structure of the exams and the questions expected. Four exams will be run by the department under strict exam conditions to simulate the real environment.

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AUSTIN HOSPITAL

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Austin Hospital, Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital and Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre. *Majority of time will be at the Austin campus

Austin Health is a major Melbourne tertiary teaching institution of 980 beds (surgical, medical, psychiatric and rehabilitation) spread across 3 hospitals. Speciality areas include liver, intestinal and renal transplant, oncology, haematology, cardiology, toxicology, emergency medicine, respiratory, cardio-thoracics, neurosciences, nephrology, endocrinology, orthopaedics, colorectal surgery, general surgery, gastroenterology, rheumatology, psychiatry, drug dependency, intensive care, paediatrics, spinal medicine, rehabilitation, infectious diseases, Hospital in the Home, dermatology, wound care.

The range of speciality areas within the pharmacy department include inpatient and outpatient clinical pharmacy services, clinical trials, hospital in the home, community liaison pharmacy, quality use of medicines, medicines information, emergency department, sterile and non-sterile manufacturing, oncology manufacturing and clinical education.

For more information visit www.austin.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Ten intern positions are available in 2018* (seven Government plus three self-funded)

Approximate time spent in different areas:

- Clinical Rotation ~ 80%
  - Ward Rotation ~ 70%: Most ward rotation is five weeks long and vary in patient demographic and clinical pharmacy exposure.
  - Dispensary (Outpatients and inpatients, including satellites) ~ 10%
- Other Areas of Pharmacy Practice ~ 20%
  - Retail Exchange at a pharmacy of your choice (one week) Pharmacy Intern Training Fact Sheet for Austin Health
  - Exchange to Mercy Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
  - Elective week (interns can choose to spend a week in either Clinical Trials, Hospital in the Home, Medicines Management Services (Outreach) or a clinical rotation that they have not been rostered to)
  - Includes Manufacturing, Medicines Information, and Quality Use of Medicines (QUM)

Educational activities: Twice-weekly tutorials given by either interns or staff within and outside the pharmacy department:

- Clinical topics (eg. cardiology, oncology, diabetes, antibiotic therapy, renal and liver disease, respiratory devices, psychiatry, etc.)*
- OTC topics (eg. cough and cold, eye care, gastro, analgesics, baby products, dermatology, smoking cessation, oral hygiene, etc.)*
- Pharmacy law

(*not an exhaustive list)

Exam preparation:

- Practice forensic/calculation exams under exam conditions
- Prescription problem solving practice
- Practice oral exams within the intern group & one-on-one

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Ballarat Health Services

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Ballarat Base Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Centre

Hospital Information

Ballarat Health Services (BHS) is the largest regional health service in the Grampians region, employing approximately 4000 staff. It is the principal referral hospital for the region. Ballarat Health Services works to improve the health and wellbeing of its patients, their families and the community.

Ballarat Health Services comprises of two campuses which include acute medical and surgical (224 beds), psychiatric services (67 beds), aged care assessment, palliative care, psycho-geriatric and rehabilitation (70 beds). The wide range of services available includes Emergency, Oncology/Palliative Care, Paediatrics and Neonatology, general and specialty Medical and Surgical services, Maternity and Outpatient clinics.

For more information visit www.bhs.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Two intern positions are available in 2018.

The program is designed to promote the highest level of dispensing accuracy, clinical knowledge and support for the transition from intern to registered pharmacist.

Each intern is assigned a preceptor for their year of training. A preceptor is a senior pharmacist with experience in mentorship and a passion for teaching and development. Each intern is also assigned a mentor for their year of training. Interns are provided with a comprehensive training manual which outlines all the important components of the training year including; departmental procedures, roles and responsibilities of interns for each rotation, theory questions to assist with learning and tutorial questions provided regularly throughout the year including quiz sessions, one on one practice exams and take-home questions.

Interns spend time working in all areas of the BHS Pharmacy Department including;

- General clinical rotations (3-4 weeks)
- Specialty clinical rotations (2-3 weeks) including ICU, ED, Paediatrics/Neonatology
- Inpatient, outpatient and oncology dispensaries (Ballarat Regional Integrated Cancer Centre)
- Extemporaneous and aseptic manufacturing
- Medication safety & antimicrobial stewardship
- Clinical trials

Feedback and goal setting sessions following each rotation encourage the intern to progress their learning, encourage self-reflection on practice and plan for continuing professional development opportunities.

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BARWON HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: University Hospital Geelong and McKellar

Barwon Health is one of the largest and most comprehensive regional health services in Australia, providing care at all stages of life and circumstance. Health services available through Barwon Health cover the full spectrum from emergency and acute to mental health, primary care, community services, aged care and subacute/rehabilitation.

Barwon Health serves a geographically dispersed population with the two major sites being the University Hospital Geelong and McKellar Centre. University Hospital Geelong features inpatient and intensive care beds, 24 hour emergency department, and oncology and radiation services through Andrew Love Cancer Centre. With the exception of neurosurgery and transplantation, virtually all other specialties are available through University Hospital Geelong. The McKellar Centre is situated in North Geelong, providing specialist services in rehabilitation, palliative care and aged care.

Barwon Health a major education provider through our relationships with Deakin University, Melbourne University, Monash University, the Gordon and a number of other educational centres and universities.

The pharmacy is staffed by 92 EFT staff across the acute site (University Hospital Geelong), the rehabilitation and aged care site (McKellar Centre) and the private hospital (St John of God). The staffing consists of more than 50 EFT pharmacists, 5 pre-registration pharmacists and support staff.

Barwon Health pharmacists are essential members of the clinical teams and have a critical role in safe medication management. The pharmacy department actively involved with student and intern education, as well as for other health professionals. It is also heavily involved in lecturing and tutoring for both Monash Deakin University under and postgraduate degrees. There is also a lively pharmacy practice research program, with some project links to Monash and Deakin universities.

We are an enthusiastic, energetic and focused team who work cohesively together. As a team we are focussed on providing the highest quality patient centred care. Everything we do centres all our services on the patient and is guided by our driving values: Respect, Compassion, Commitment, Accountability and Innovation.

For more information visit www.barwonhealth.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Five intern positions are available in 2018.

The intern program is a balance of structured learning and practical training rotations. The program is divided into four sections:

- Introduction to the pharmacy department and clinical services: approximately 15 weeks – rotations through clinical wards, dispensaries, aseptic services, medicine information, medication safety, antimicrobial team
- Clinical Pharmacy rotations: approximately 15 weeks – rotations through specialised ward services such as cardiology, renal, neurology, paediatrics, aged care (rehabilitation & palliative care)
- Elective rotations: interns choice

Independence (under supervision) is strongly encouraged towards the end of the intern year as interns will start to be integrated into pharmacy services

In total, interns will spend approximately 75% of their intern program on clinical wards.

Other key features of the Barwon Health Intern Program:

- Dedicated education team lead by the Senior Education and Training Pharmacist and Intern Preceptor
- Individual mentors allocated to each intern to provide additional support
- Monash Intern Foundation Program credentialed site and educators

All applications to the Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program are made via SHPA at:
• Planned intern education meetings held once weekly. These sessions are steered by pharmacists, as well as guest speakers from various specialities.
  - The interns are expected to prepare for and contribute to each session.
• Case presentations – Interns are expected to contribute to the educational activities of the department
• Intern research project to provide experience in conducting research
• Time is dedicated to preparation for the oral and written exams, including in-house practice exams
• Interns have a choice of Pharmacy Board of Victoria approved training programs through the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, Monash University or the Guild.
• Interns will be rostered to work half days on weekends (Saturday) on a rotational basis

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BENDIGO HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: The Bendigo Hospital

Bendigo Health is a large, progressive regional healthcare organisation in central Victoria. It is a multi-campus facility with teaching links to most major universities in Melbourne and beyond. We have over 3400 staff working in the care of acute, aged, rehabilitation, community and psychiatric patients from the Loddon Mallee Region – a catchment area of 25% of the landmass of the state of Victoria.

Bendigo Health’s Pharmacy Department has a significant role in the provision of education and training of students and graduates through placements, lectures and continuing education activities.

For more information visit www.bendigohealth.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Two intern positions are available in 2018.

The intern program is orientated to provide a comprehensive, rounded training in all aspects of hospital pharmacy practice and in a small department there is a great opportunity for one on-one interaction with supervisors and with good support for sharing of ideas and information gathering.

The intern is rotated through the range of areas and disciplines of pharmacy practice from an institutional aspect. These include:

• **Clinical Services**: orientation and training in the provision of ward based pharmacy services, therapeutic drug monitoring, drug information, establishment of protocols and procedures for quality use of medicines. Overview of drug use evaluation exercises to ensure appropriateness of therapies. Participation in the intervention program and an understanding of the importance of evaluating particular activities to ensure quality outcomes.

• **Dispensing**: All aspects of dispensing for inpatient and outpatient settings. Establishing an understanding of the principles of dispensing in terms of identifying patient needs from a pharmaceutical care perspective. Provide assistance with counselling and provision of information leaflets and medication profiles tailored for specific individual patient needs.

• **Manufacturing**: Inclusive of aseptic dispensing and compounding facilities.

• **Education and training**: Participate in health-promotion activities such as cardiac rehabilitation, in-service education activities, case presentation, intern education on relevant pharmacy related matters.

• **Stock control**: all aspects of procurement, distribution, receipting, contracts, stock usage, relevant reports, stockholdings, critical stock-turns, budgeting, recall processes.

• **SAS drugs/Clinical trials**: Understanding and responsibilities of such programs required of trials and SAS drugs.

• **Administration**: Understanding of management issues inclusive managing staffing resources (recruitment, retention, succession planning etc) and the operations of a service from an organisational perspective (including budgeting, business plans etc) and from a local or individual department service such as the monitoring of performance in the delivery of services to select areas.

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CENTRAL GIPPSLAND HEALTH SERVICE

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Sale Campus (with day trips to external sites at Maffra, Heyfield and Yarram as required)

Central Gippsland Health Service is a multi-campus health facility providing acute inpatient, community and residential aged care services. Between Sale and Maffra there are approximately 100 acute beds including critical care, surgical, obstetric, paediatric and medical beds and 80 residential aged care beds.

The pharmacy department has a staff of 11 people made up of six pharmacists, four technicians and, of course, one intern pharmacist. Providing the same range of services as many much larger hospitals requires a flexible structure and strong commitment to working as a team, both within the department and within the multidisciplinary environment.

- CGHS Pharmacy Department currently provides services to:
  - the acute care hospital at Sale (covering Medical incl. rehabilitation, Surgical, Critical Care, Emergency, Obstetrics, Paediatrics, Oncology and Day Procedure),
  - Maffra District Hospital (acute and subacute care),
  - Heyfield Hospital
  - Yarram District Health Service

For more information visit www.cghs.com.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

One intern position is available in 2018.

At Sale, we encourage our intern to drive their own training with the assistance of their preceptor and all members of the department. You will have exposure to:

- Inpatient supply
- Outpatient dispensing including PBS, S100, CPAP, SAS and Executive Discretionary Fund procedures
- Manufacturing of aseptic and extemporaneous preparations
- Attend weekly education sessions at neighbouring hospital
- Experience in stock control with the responsibility for the After-Hours Pharmacy cupboard including daily checks, supply of stock, expiry checks and rotation. We also aim to arrange time at a community pharmacy to consolidate OTC knowledge and attendance at pharmacy intern education at nearby Latrobe Regional Hospital.
- Clinical pharmacy services including participation in all areas of ward pharmacy service:
  - Medication reconciliation and maintenance of the Medication Management Plan
  - Preparation of discharge prescriptions.

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EASTERN HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Box Hill, Maroondah or Angliss hospitals

Eastern Health is the second largest of Victoria’s 18 Public Health Services. It is the main provider of health services to people in the east, outer east and Yarra Ranges areas of metropolitan Melbourne.

Eastern Health has five main facilities from which services are provided: Angliss Hospital in Upper Ferntree Gully; Box Hill Hospital in Box Hill; Maroondah Hospital in Ringwood East; Peter James Centre in Burwood East; Wantirna Health in Wantirna.

In partnership with Alfred Health and the Department of Health and Human Services, Eastern Health is participating in the Partnered Pharmacist Medication Charting (PPMC) project to create a positive change in the delivery of health care and patient safety by expanding the pharmacists’ role in medication management and reducing medication error rates. Credentialed pharmacists at Box Hill Hospital, Maroondah Hospital and the Angliss Hospital collaborate with a team of doctors to undertake medication reviews for general medical patients and chart preadmission medications and VTE prophylaxis for administration by nursing staff. Eastern Health is proud to be involved in the inaugural SHPA hospital pharmacy residency program as an accredited site in 2017.

For more information visit www.easternhealth.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Five intern positions are available in 2018 (four funded and one self-funded).

The 2018 pharmacy interns will be based at Box Hill (two interns), Maroondah (two interns) or Angliss (one intern) hospitals. In addition, each site has a local rotation program relevant to the services at each site. In 2016 Eastern Health piloted the Monash Intern Foundation Program. This program will continue to be offered in 2018.

The Eastern Health intern training program is a combined network intern program which includes:

- Joint weekly didactic tutorials covering a range of topics (including OTC). To encourage participation, interns will be asked to prepare some content to facilitate these sessions.
- Practical hands-on training including rotations in the outpatient and inpatient dispensary, sterile manufacturing training, general introduction to clinical trials, procurement and imprest maintenance. Clinical rotations across Eastern Health covering: infectious diseases & antimicrobial stewardship, renal, cardiology, psychiatry, quality use of medicine, rehabilitation and palliative care. Elective rotations include ICU and Haematology/Oncology.
- Oral and Forensic exam preparation.

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All applications to the Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program are made via SHPA at:
ECHUCA REGIONAL HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Echuca Regional Health

Echuca Regional Health (ERH) is located approximately 180 kilometres north of Melbourne in the Shire of Campaspe and adjacent to the community of Moama (NSW). Echuca-Moama is surrounded by the Murray River, which provides for an area prosperous with agriculture, tourism, industry, development and new residents.

Clinical pharmacy services are provided to the following areas: general medical and surgical, high dependency, paediatrics, maternity, emergency, oncology, renal dialysis, rehabilitation and palliative care.

For more information visit www.erh.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

One intern position is available in 2018.

The structured program provides interns with many learning opportunities and the understanding that we are providing training for them to become the best pharmacist they can be, not only to be successful in their intern exams. The program promotes accurate dispensing, a variety of clinical knowledge, support in their new role and preparedness for when they register as a pharmacist.

Our current preceptor has many years of experience and training in this role and utilises their experience as a senior clinical pharmacist and further education in this area. Interns are provided with a comprehensive training calendar, which outlines the learning plan and tutorial roster.

Interns will spend time in all areas of the ERH Pharmacy Department and in areas that the department service, including:

• General Clinical rotations
• Specialist Clinical rotations
• Inpatient and outpatient dispensing
• Extemporaneous and aseptic manufacturing
• Medication safety and drug information

The intern has a weekly meeting with the preceptor to discuss their progress, plan for continuing professional development, challenges and achievements. Extensive assistance is available for both the written and oral registration exams, in the form of practice exams, take home exams and quizzes. The intern has the choice between two intern training programs, Monash University or PSA and the preceptor is happy to work with either program depending on the intern’s choice.

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LA TROBE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: La Trobe Regional Hospital in Traralgon

Latrobe Regional Hospital (LRH) is a modern 289 bed fully integrated hospital providing a broad range of services that includes medical and radiation oncology as well as mental health. LRH treats about 130,000 people every year and is a teaching hospital affiliated with Monash University’s School of Rural Health and Federation University.


Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Three intern positions are available in 2018.

The Pharmacy department has a complement of 40 staff offering a comprehensive range of services that include:

- Clinical Pharmacy services in ICU, medical, surgical, orthopaedics, rehabilitation, paediatrics and mental health
- Oncology services and aseptic manufacturing
- Management of medications for haemodialysis and day procedure patients
- Medicines information service, management and supply of clozapine for patients across Gippsland region
- Education within department with weekly clinical educational meetings
- Providing education to other health professionals including doctors and nurses
- Education of patient groups, e.g. heart failure rehabilitation program
- Clinical audits
- Hospital in the Home
- Tutorials are held weekly and cover an extensive range of clinical, legal and OTC topics.
- Each intern is assigned to an individual preceptor and mentor throughout the intern year.
- Each intern works in a different clinical rotation every four weeks to gain a more rounded work experience and skill as well as regular dispensary duties.
- Working alongside the clinical pharmacist on the ward assists the interns with learning and developing skills to manage medication issues.
- Sponsored participation in a two-week community pharmacy placement to consolidate OTC and clinical skills developed in tutorials and rotations throughout the year.
- Interns are encouraged to participate in departmental Clinical and Journal Club meetings to build and extend knowledge in a team environment.
- LRH also provide pharmacy services to two small regional hospitals and a local private hospital.

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MERCY HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Mercy Hospital for Women and Werribee Mercy Hospital

Based at Heidelberg in Victoria’s largest medical precinct only 12 kilometres from the city, Mercy Hospital for Women is a technologically advanced, 229-bed facility. It is one of Victoria’s major hospitals providing public and private care for women and babies. Mercy Health is a Catholic community benefit organisation founded by the Sisters of Mercy. We bring together people of all faiths and cultures bonded by common values that guide our interactions with each other and those we serve.

Mercy Health has a pharmacy department consisting of 11 pharmacists, one intern and four support staff working at both hospitals. The range of specialty areas within the department include inpatient and outpatient pharmacies, clinical trials, hospital in the home, clinical pharmacy service, and non-sterile manufacturing.

For more information visit www.mercyhealth.com.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

One intern position is available in 2018.

Approximate time spent in different areas:

- **Clinical Rotation ~ 80%**
  - Ward Rotation ~ 70% - The intern pharmacist will undertake ward rotations with an experienced clinical pharmacist to learn and develop the skills of clinical pharmacy. Dispensary (Outpatients and inpatients) ~ 30%

- **Other Areas of Pharmacy Practice ~ 20%**
  - Community Pharmacy Exchange at a pharmacy of your choice (one week)
  - Exchange to Austin Hospital (two weeks) – this includes Manufacturing and Clinical Trials experience.

Educational activities:

- Twice-weekly tutorials given by staff via the Austin pharmacy department:
- Clinical topics (such as cardiology, oncology, diabetes, antibiotic therapy, renal and liver disease, respiratory devices, psychiatry).
- Over the counter (OTC) topics (such as cough and cold, eye care, gastro, analgesics, baby products, dermatology, smoking cessation, oral hygiene
- Pharmacy law
- Exam preparation: practice pharmacy law & calculation exams under exam conditions; prescription problem solving practice; practice oral exams within the intern group and one-on-one.

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MILDURA BASE HOSPITAL

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Mildura Base Hospital

Mildura Base Hospital is a 146 bed (level 1) tertiary teaching hospital, owned and operated by Ramsay Health Care in partnership with the Victorian Government. Mildura Base Hospital provides public hospital services to the community of Mildura and the Sunraysia District. The hospital has teaching and research links with Monash University and La Trobe University.

The Pharmacy Department is staffed by six pharmacists, one intern and two technicians. Our hours of service are from 8am to 5pm weekdays, 9am-1pm Saturday, and 9.30am-12.30pm Sunday and public holidays. An on call service is also provided. Pharmacy services are provided to all areas of the hospital, including inpatient and outpatient services. Clinical pharmacy services are provided to the general medical and surgical wards, paediatrics, ICU, emergency and short stay unit, aged care and rehabilitation, palliative care, as well as the chemotherapy day unit.

The pharmacy department is a part of the hospital governance team, and participates in the Clinical Practice Committee, the Drugs and Therapeutics Committee and the Medication Safety Committee.

For more information visit [www.mildurabase.com.au](http://www.mildurabase.com.au)

**Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018**

One intern position is available in 2018.

The Ramsay Pharmacy Group has a centralised intern program implemented across Australia. The intern training program is designed to provide sound and comprehensive training in pharmacy practice and hospital pharmacy services.

The program has regular tutorials run for all interns, covering key clinical and practical topics over the year. The centralised program also provides a fantastic support network of colleagues for the intern across the country.

Each preceptor is a pharmacist at the site, ensuring that each intern progresses through their internship with confidence and support to become a qualified pharmacist.

The intern is involved in all aspects of the pharmacy service, from dispensary, clinical and non-clinical services. They are also involved in the Saturday weekend service on a rotating roster (approx. every third weekend).

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MONASH HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Monash Medical Centre, Dandenong Hospital, Moorabbin Hospital, Casey Hospital, Kingston Centre, Monash Children’s Hospital

Monash Health provides health care to one quarter of Melbourne’s population, with health care services provided across the entire life-span, from newborns and children, to adults, the elderly, their families and carers. Monash Health consists of Monash Medical Centre, Monash Children’s Hospital, Monash Health Translational Research Precinct, Moorabbin Hospital, Dandenong Hospital, Casey Hospital, Kingston Centre, Cranbourne Centre and several community-based health services.

The linking together of the various hospital pharmacy departments into a single department has created a large, dynamic organisation, which offers many exciting opportunities. The pharmacy department also provides services to Jessie McPherson Private Hospital and Sir John Monash Private Hospital.

For more information visit www.monashhealth.org

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Eleven intern positions are available in 2018* (ten Government plus one self-funded).

In 2016 Monash Health Pharmacy Department began participating in the Monash University Intern Foundation Program. This program recognises the high quality workplace learning offered by Monash Health and enables intern pharmacists to accumulate credit points during their workplace rotations that contribute towards the qualification of Graduate Certificate in Pharmacy Practice by the conclusion of their intern pharmacist training year.

The program places great emphasis on active learning. Weekly tutorials are given by senior staff or by a visiting speaker and cover a wide range of subjects e.g. cardiac disease, hospital administration, clinical drug trials, stock and inventory control, dermatology, patient counselling and communication, haemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis, geriatric medicine, respiratory diseases, gastrointestinal, analgesics, paediatrics, endocrine, oncology, thalassaemia, podiatry, infectious diseases and primary health care.

Each intern pharmacist will spend time at other Monash Health hospital pharmacy department sites and they will also gain experience in the dispensing of PBS prescriptions, both in the public system and the Jessie McPherson Private Hospital. Orientation visits to other departments in the hospital, including the operating theatre, will be organised during the year.

Intern pharmacists are rostered to the wards for 24 weeks of their 48 weeks training. These rotations will include time spent in the new Monash Children’s Hospital. Intern pharmacists are required to undertake the Monash University Intern Training Program. During the year, intern pharmacists are given individual projects, to undertake and will be required to make several presentations, including a case study, to the Pharmacy Department staff.

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NORTHEAST HEALTH WANGARATTA

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Northeast Health in Wangaratta

Northeast Health Wangaratta (NHW) is a 222 bed facility providing health care to more than 90,000 people across North East Victoria. NHW is the major referral facility for patients with complex health needs from Bright, Mansfield, Beechworth, Myrtleford, Yarrawonga, Euroa and Benalla.

Only a 2.5-hour drive or train ride from central Melbourne, North East Victoria is a beautiful part of the state. Within an hour drive of Wangaratta are the wine and gourmet regions of Rutherglen, Oxley and Miliawa, the historical towns of Beechworth, Glenrowan and Benalla, and the beauty of Myrtleford and Bright. Albury/Wodonga is less than an hour’s drive away, with the Victorian ski fields of Mt Buffalo, Mt Beauty, Mt Hotham and Falls Creek within reach for a ski weekend in the winter.

For more information visit www.northeasthealth.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Two self-funded intern positions are available in 2018.

The Northeast Health Wangaratta Pharmacy Department consists of 19 staff members.

Interns will be rotated every four weeks to clinical areas including Medical, Surgical, Critical Care, Mental Health, Rehabilitation, Emergency, Dispensary, Sterile Manufacturing, Medication Safety and Antimicrobial Stewardship. Time is also allocated to visiting areas such as Theatre, Pathology, Dialysis and Radiology.

In addition to clinical rotations, interns are allocated a bed load, looking after eight beds on the Maternity Ward, or six beds on the Day Stay Ward, providing opportunity for development of their prioritisation and time management skills.

Intern training and education is provided, supported by individual mentors and with weekly tutorials from pharmacists throughout the year, including OTC and practice exams.

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Northern Health is one of Victoria’s busiest public health services. Our acute and subacute health services cover a local community of approximately 728,000 people and our Emergency Department treats over 85,000 patients each year.

Northern Health has a Pharmacy Department consisting of approximately 36 pharmacists, 4 interns and 22 non-pharmacists supporting staff working throughout the four campuses.

The range of specialty areas within the department include:

- Inpatient and outpatient clinical pharmacy services
- Clinical trials
- Hospital in the home
- Emergency Services
- Haematology and Oncology
- Sterile and non-sterile manufacturing,
- Renal and dialysis services
- Clinical education
- Psychiatry services
- Antimicrobial Stewardship.

Our team consists of the good mix of approachable, experienced senior pharmacists, together with our fresh young pharmacists, which provides an extremely supportive and friendly working environment. We aim to motivate and challenge our interns, thus creating opportunities to learn.

For more information visit www.nh.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Four intern positions are available in 2018.

Interns will be rotated between wards (approx. 50%), dispensary (approx. 25%) and manufacturing (approx. 25%). There will also be rotations to our sub-acute sites including Broadmeadows Health Service and Bundoora Extended Care Centre. Interns are also rotated for weekend and public holiday work.

Ward rotations include medical wards, surgical wards, emergency department, psychiatric ward, and coronary care unit. Interns will be working under the supervision of an experienced pharmacist, who will aid the interns in developing their clinical skills and knowledge. Interns will also have opportunities to communicate with other health professionals involved in the patient’s care.

Tutorials are conducted weekly on a wide range of topics, including laboratory and clinical data, therapeutic drug monitoring, drug interactions, PBS and pharmacy law, clinical and OTC topics. Tutorials may be given by the intern coordinator or another senior pharmacist. Interns will also be given in-services by staff in other disciplines, for example enteral and parental nutrition by dieticians, drug delivery by nurse educators, and stomal therapy.

For exam preparation Interns will be given practice exams for both the written (in group) and oral (one-on-one) exams.

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PENINSULA HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Frankston Hospital, Peninsula Health

Peninsula Health is a major teaching facility associated with major Victorian Universities. The Acute hospitals have a total of 591 beds at Frankston and Rosebud. Specialties include Medicine, Surgery, Emergency Medicine, ICU & Thoracic Medicine, Anaesthesia, Pathology, Psychiatry, Geriatrics, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Paediatric, Oncology, Neurology, Renal Dialysis, and Cardiology.

In addition to the general dispensing and clinical ward pharmacy services, Peninsula Health also provides the following services: Drug Trials, Sterile Preparations, Oncology Day Clinic, Therapeutic Drug Monitoring, Drug Utilisation Review, Antimicrobial Stewardship, and In-service Education for Medical and Nursing Staff. There is also a comprehensive medication safety program supervised by a senior pharmacist.

More recently we have implemented a pharmacist driven reconciliation and medication charting service for newly admitted medical patients, and aligning clinical pharmacy service with the clinical units. The department has a dedicated clinical educator who assists interns during their training program and oversees the Intern Foundation Program (IFP). At the end of the internship there is an opportunity for a further 12-month Pharmacy residency program.

For more information visit www.peninsulahealth.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Three intern positions are available in 2018.

The interns will have a 2-4 weekly roster throughout the year which includes ward rotations, manufacturing and dispensary duties. This enables more experience and exposure to different wards and clinical settings.

Ward rotations allow interns to explore and familiarise themselves with medications and medical conditions in oncology, respiratory, cardiology, surgical, medical, psychiatry, rehabilitation and aged care units. Interns are also encouraged to have involvement in patient care, pharmacy interventions and liaising with medical and nursing staff as well as external pharmacies and nursing homes.

Dispensary rotation allows interns to be involved in outpatient counselling, dispensing and dealing with simple drug information enquiries. In addition, during the dispensary rotation, interns will get an opportunity to further develop their skills in extemporaneous manufacturing for both inpatients and outpatients.

Our preferred candidates are tertiary Pharmacy students in Victoria who are looking for career in hospital. All applicants are expected to have completed the immunisations requirement for tertiary health studies students, current Police Check and Working with Children Check.

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PETER MACCALLUM CANCER CENTRE

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Peter Mac, Parkville, Melbourne

As Australia’s foremost Cancer Centre, Peter Mac provides quality treatment and support to patients and their families. Underpinned by research and the best evidence available, Peter Mac broadly influences cancer care in the community through multi-disciplinary partnerships, research and education.

The pharmacy provides a comprehensive service to Peter Mac patients and supports other members of the healthcare team in all aspects of medicine management.

Patient care is provided through specialist inpatient wards, day therapy units, specialist clinics and clinical trials. The intern year provides a unique opportunity for development of knowledge in these fascinating areas whilst building on clinical, dispensing and sterile manufacturing skills.

For more information visit www.petermac.org

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Two intern positions are available in 2018.

• Working with a dedicated and enthusiastic pharmacy team that includes leaders in the field of clinical pharmacy and oncology practice
• Clinically focused program with rotations to all wards, the dispensary, medicines information and sterile unit
• Weekly tutorials with The Royal Women’s Hospital covering a wide range of general clinical pharmacy topics and OTC treatments
• Weekly group education sessions with opportunities for interns to present to the group
• Attend multidisciplinary events to build rapport and partnerships with other health professionals
• Not required to work weekends and after hours, which allows a good work / study balance
• As one of only two or three interns, you get undivided attention from senior pharmacy staff
• Participate in research including a Quality Use of Medicines (QUM) rotation, conference attendance and opportunities for publications
• Salary packaging and accrued days off (ADOs)

Peter Mac has moved to Parkville providing interns with the opportunity to work in a new world-class comprehensive cancer centre and collaborate more closely with the precinct pharmacy departments.

Oncology is a specialty which is rapidly growing, and pharmacists’ input has a significant impact on patient care. The broad exposure to Pharmacy Practice in a multidisciplinary team setting means an internship at Peter Mac will provide you with a valuable start to a career in any field of pharmacy.

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THE ROYAL CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: The Royal Children’s Hospital, Parkville

The Royal Children’s Hospital (RCH) is a specialist paediatric hospital that provides a full range of clinical services, tertiary care and health promotion and prevention programs for children and adolescents. RCH is the major specialist paediatric hospital in Victoria, and cares for children from other states and overseas.

The Pharmacy Department provides:
- Clinical pharmacy services to the Intensive Care Unit, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Children’s Cancer Centre, Children’s Neuroscience Centre, Cardiology, Adolescent Medicine, General Medical, Surgical, Orthopaedics, Gastroenterology, Rehabilitation, Endocrinology and Thoracic wards
- Centralised outpatient and discharge dispensary as well as satellite pharmacies on each floor
- Manufacture of a large range of extemporaneous products to facilitate accurate/convenient doses for paediatric patients
- Total Parenteral Nutrition, chemotherapy and specialised fluids, manufactured on-site
- Co-ordination of medications for Hospital in The Home patients
- Paediatric Drug Information Centre
- Paediatric Clinical Trials.

The pharmacy dept. is actively involved in the Adverse Drug Reaction, Drug Usage and Medication Safety Committees.

For more information visit www.rch.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Four intern positions are available in 2018
- Pharmacy Interns will have a week of orientation to the RCH Pharmacy department to learn basic technical and clinical skills before integration into the general roster
- Each pharmacy intern is assigned his or her own preceptor for the year. Preceptors will periodically evaluate an intern’s performance to assist with their development throughout the year
- During the intern year, interns will spend time in all areas of the RCH Pharmacy Department including: ward pharmacy services in a variety of clinical areas, outpatient dispensary, oncology pharmacy, sterile and non-sterile manufacturing and the Drug Information Centre. Rotations will usually be 3-4 weeks in length with shorter rotations to the intensive care units
- After a period of clinical pharmacy training, pharmacy interns will be given the opportunity to be responsible for the pharmacy services of an allocated ward for a 3-4-week period (with the support and supervision of pharmacists)
- The RCH Pharmacy Internship manual provides a list of objectives and self-directed learning activities for each rotation
- RCH offers a comprehensive pharmacy intern tutorial program, covering a wide range of drug therapies and primary healthcare topics as well as practice exam sessions
- Pharmacy interns are given the opportunity to spend a week working in a community pharmacy of their choice to assist with exam preparation.

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THE ROYAL MELBOURNE HOSPITAL

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: City Campus & Royal Park Campus

Melbourne Health is an award-winning health care service and is Victoria’s second largest public health service. This means you will gain experience in a vastly diverse hospital, which will help develop you into a well-rounded pharmacist.

Melbourne Health comprises of multiple sites including:

• The Royal Melbourne Hospital – City Campus
• The Royal Melbourne Hospital – Royal Park Campus
• North-Western Mental Health
• RMH Kidney Care Service
• Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory

The pharmacy department provides services to all areas of the hospital requiring medicines or involved in medication management. Pharmacists work across a variety of teams to provide invaluable service to the respective areas.

For more information visit www.thermh.org.au/about

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Eight intern positions are available in 2018.

Orientation: Every intern undergoes one and a half -week orientation and introduction to the overall department. A clinical orientation checklist is incorporated into your first clinical orientation to ensure develop essential skills in basic clinical pharmacy processes and become familiar with the workplace environment.

Rotations: Intern rotations will be primarily based at the Royal Melbourne Hospital City site. Rotations vary in length depending on the area. Clinical Rotations include Cardiology, General Medicine, Surgery, Neurosciences or Infectious Diseases, Aged Care or Rehabilitation. Other rotations include Dispensary, Manufacturing and Aseptics, Medicines Information and Quality Use of Medicines.

Intern Supervision: The unit pharmacist of the allocated Intern rotation provides to daily supervision. A checklist guides and structures the rotation to detail aspects of practice to be covered, expectations of both supervisor and intern, and of increasing responsibilities throughout the year. An evaluation schedule and competency checklists accompanies each rotation to ensure each intern receives regular and structured feedback to inform their practice. In addition to this, the Education Pharmacist (also your Board Preceptor) will schedule regular visits with each intern during their clinical rotations to supervise, teach or discuss cases. More time is arranged for interns on an individual basis as needed or desired.

Mentors: Each intern is allocated their own individual mentor; a pharmacist who has completed their intern year in the last three years. They help you find your way around the hospital, provide one-on-one guidance and help you develop & test your knowledge and skills. Mentors also assist with practice exams in the lead up to the Pharmacy Board Oral exam.

Education program: The tutorial sessions are in two parts: clinical sessions and primary health care tutorials. Clinical sessions run at least once a week, are presented by clinical pharmacists in the hospital, many of them specialists in their field. The timetable is coordinated around the intern training programs to ensure you have adequate knowledge to comfortably meet all the requirements. Primary health care sessions are facilitated by the interns once a week, with Preceptor supervision, each presenting on multiple topics throughout the year. After the exams, specialty topics are scheduled to facilitate transition from Intern to Pharmacist. Interns also present their own clinical case study to show case their skills and learning at the end of the year.

Board Approved Supervised hours & weekend work: Interns are required to have Provisional Registration with AHPRA before internship commences, which is usually in the first week of January. The regular weekday hours are 8:30 am – 5:15 pm Monday to Friday. Depending on the area in which you are working, there may be extended hours services which you may be rostered to. On weekends, the RMH provides a limited clinical service and interns are included in the roster, approximately one shift every 3 weekends. During the weekend shift, the intern is rostered to provide patient education on their discharge medications which is
invaluable practice and experience. Whilst the weekend hours are extra to your normal working week, these hours contribute to your total number of supervised hours and ensures that you meet Board requirements comfortably. The department also ensures that no staff is rostered to work 7 consecutive days and rostering takes into consideration Monash Practice or APCAT examinations.

**Intern Training Program:** The Board requires each intern to enrol in an approved Intern Training Program. Whilst there are other approved Intern Training Programs (PSA, Guild), for logistical reasons, the RMH prefers that all interns are enrolled in the Monash Intern Training Program. Please note that this differs from the aforementioned “Intern Foundation Program” which is optional.

**Rostered Day Off & Annual Leave:** You are entitled to a Rostered Day Off (RDO) approximately one day in every 4 weeks. You will also be rostered one week of annual leave after your written exams to ensure some rest and relaxation, with the remaining leave accrued as per the award.

**Practice exams:** We provide numerous practice exams during the year to help you become familiar with the structure of the exams and the questions you can expect. Further to practice exams organised by your mentor, the department runs two practice Pharmacy Board Exams under strict exam conditions, to simulate the real environment. These formal exams help prepare you to deal with the stress of the real exam!

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THE ROYAL WOMEN’S HOSPITAL

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: The Royal Women’s Hospital, Parkville

The Royal Women’s Hospital is Australia’s largest specialist hospital dedicated to improving the health of women of all ages and cultures, and newborn babies. It provides clinical expertise and leadership in the areas of maternity services, gynaecology, gynaecology; neonatal care and specialised medicines information, with a strong commitment to research and education. It is a major teaching hospital with strong affiliations to The University of Melbourne, Monash University, La Trobe University and RMIT.

We have 13 FTE (full time equivalent) pharmacists – Director, Deputy Director, 3 Senior Pharmacists and 8 specialist pharmacists with 3.6 FTE pharmacy technicians. The pharmacy has a friendly, supportive environment and is a well-resourced department with good IT resources and portable data technology.

We provide pharmacy services across all areas in the health service but specifically to these areas: Neonatal Intensive and Special Care Nurseries Obstetrics, Genetics, Gynaecology, Outpatients, Gynae-oncology, Breast Cancer, Clinical trials and research, Clinical service to Frances Perry House (private hospital), Quality and Safety Unit.

The department provides specialised medicines information in women’s health specifically on medicines use during pregnancy and during breastfeeding. The department produces the Pregnancy and Breastfeeding Medicines Guide – a concise and valuable reference for doctors, pharmacists, midwives and any other professionals involved in the care of pregnant and breastfeeding women.

Research is a very vital component of our clinical activities as we strive to provide quality and evidence based practices. The pharmacy supports all clinical trials and studies involving medicines.

For more information visit www.thewomens.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Two intern positions are available in 2018.

• Intern pharmacists will spend time in all areas of the Pharmacy Department, receiving both clinical and non-clinical training.

• Opportunity exists to visit other departments and other hospitals.
  - Tutorials are held once a week with a pharmacy law workshop prior to the written examination.

• Participation in projects and presentations at pharmacy conferences are strongly encouraged

Other clinical activities include being an active member of the ADR (adverse drug reactions) committee and reporting of pharmacists’ interventions

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Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: St Vincent’s Hospital, Fitzroy in Melbourne

St Vincent’s Hospital provides a wide range of medical, surgical, allied health and mental health services, including community, outreach, drug and alcohol and correctional health services. As a major teaching, research and tertiary referral centre, we are committed to providing the best possible patient care, servicing both our local and regional communities.

The hospital has many specialist units including: Cardiology and cardiothoracic surgery, general surgery, dermatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, microsurgery, oncology, haematology, psychiatry, stroke, renal, respiratory medicine, rehabilitation, immunology, biliary-lithotripsy, community medicine and neurosciences. The department is also committed to the training of pharmacy students and intern pharmacists.

Ongoing education for registered pharmacists is also seen as a high priority. Competencies of employed pharmacists are assessed through a yearly ClinCAT review to ensure competent and safe services are provided to the public. Opportunities exist for young pharmacists to undertake a post-registration two-year residency program. The residency program is aligned with the core principles of the SHPA residency curriculum and includes; surgical, operations, medical and elective rotations. The department is also involved with the education of medical and nursing staff and patients enrolled in rehabilitation programs.


Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Seven intern positions are available in 2018.

The pre-registrant program at St Vincent’s aims to provide a good foundation and transition to practice as a skilled clinical pharmacist. Every intern undergoes a one-week orientation and induction to St Vincent’s Pharmacy Services.

This induction period is followed by rotations to the following areas:

**Operational areas:** dispensaries (3-week rotation) and aseptic preparations (3-week rotation)

**Clinical rotations:** general medicine (3-week rotation), cardiology and cardiothoracics (3-week rotation), neurology and nephrology (3-week rotation), gastroenterology (2-week rotation), psychiatry (1-week rotation), haematology / oncology (3-week rotation), aged care (1-week rotation to St. George’s hospital campus), emergency medicine (3-week rotation), intensive care (1-week rotation) and antimicrobial stewardship (1-week rotation).

**Risk management rotations:** Medication safety / medicines information. Note some of the above rotations are repeated throughout the year.

**Weekly tutorials:** The education program comprises of weekly intern education meetings. A range of clinical and community pharmacy topics are covered. Clinical sessions are presented by clinical pharmacists specialising in the field.

**Practice exams:** Multiple practice exams are provided during the year to help interns prepare for exams. Both written and oral exams are practiced.

**Intern foundation program:** St vincent’s is accredited to offer the intern foundation program (IFP), which enables interns to obtain a graduate certificate in pharmacy practice from monash university by recognising workplace learning. Currently all of our 2017 pharmacist interns are participating in this program.

**Practice research and innovation:** Each intern will develop research and innovation skills by doing a practice-based research project. Regular meetings are held to identify and assist in these research projects skills. Mentors also spend countless hours organising practice exams with each intern in the lead up to the Pharmacy Board Oral exam.

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All applications to the Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program are made via SHPA at: http://careers.shpa.org.au/interns/victorian-interns
WESTERN HEALTH

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Footscray and Sunshine

Western Health is the pre-eminent provider of health services to one of the most multicultural western metropolitan regions of Melbourne. Focusing on achieving excellence in teaching and research and providing an extensive range of clinical services, Western Health is fast becoming known as a vibrant, progressive organisation. Western Health is committed to providing high quality undergraduate and postgraduate teaching and research.

The health service encourages innovations in patient care, staff professional development and research activities. Our clinicians, nurses and allied health professionals are involved in a diverse range of activities that have received recognition at a local, national and international level. Western Health has links with The University of Melbourne, La Trobe University and Victoria University of Technology.

For more information visit www.westernhealth.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

Six intern positions are available in 2018 (four funded and two self-funded).

Pharmacy Interns at Western Health partake in four weekly rotations across a variety of clinical (medical and surgical), manufacturing and dispensary areas. The interns will rotate between Footscray and Sunshine campuses gaining exposure to different environments and staffs. Interns are expected to develop their skill-set, such that by the end of the program they meet the national entry level pharmacist competencies.

As the year progresses, interns will be given a larger patient load to self-manage while still under pharmacist supervision. Throughout the program, interns are provided supervision by experienced pharmacists during all rotations while developing an appropriate level of competencies and responsibilities as outlined in our in-house competency framework.

Weekly tutorials cover a range of clinical, APCAT and over the counter topics designed, not only to prepare the interns for their exams, but became competent pharmacists. Prior to the final oral exam, several practice exams are conducted under exam conditions.

Interns are expected to be enthusiastic, hardworking and willing to engage with the Western Health Intern Program and Western Health core values. We accept interns enrolled in either the Monash or PSA intern programs. No prior pharmacy experience or specific skills are required to apply.

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WIMMERA HEALTH CARE GROUP

Campuses at which pharmacy intern will work: Horsham

Wimmera Health Care Group is the major specialist referral centre for the Wimmera and Southern Mallee region of Victoria, servicing an area of 61,000 square kilometres and a population of approximately 54,000 people. We have campuses in Horsham and Dimboola and provide emergency and critical care services for adults and children.

Every year, Wimmera Health Care Group treats over 11,000 inpatients, 12,000 emergency patients and 123,000 outpatients. With a workforce of 860 staff, we are the largest employer in the region.

The Pharmacy Department provides services to the acute wards in WHCG including medical, surgical and midwifery wards and sub-acute ward. The hospital has a small Intensive Care Unit, a busy Emergency Department, Hospital In The Home service, dialysis and a growing Day Oncology Unit. The intern will participate in medication reconciliation, discharge prescription preparation, patient counselling and fill outpatient prescriptions.

For more information visit www.whcg.org.au

Victorian hospital pharmacy intern program 2018

One intern position is available in 2018.

The Pharmacy Department employs eight pharmacists, from a mix of full and part time pharmacists, 1 EFT pharmacist intern and four pharmacy technicians.

The successful Intern at WHCG will:

• learn from a range of experienced pharmacists
• receive frequent tutorials on disease states and medication classes
• work in Pharmacy and acute wards
• gain valuable experience across a wide range of services
• receive an introduction to oncology services
• have the opportunity to work in a local community pharmacy.

Employment at Wimmera Health Care Group offers close proximity to the Grampians and Mount Arapiles national parks, salary packaging, free parking, and a friendly, welcoming workplace.

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