

Medical Career Pathways with Bendigo Health

Emergency Medicine

Bendigo is the regional referral hospital for the Loddon Mallee Region in Victoria. As a result, you will be exposed to a wide range of patients covering the whole breadth of Emergency Medicine including trauma, paediatrics, pregnant women as well as general Emergency presentations all under one roof. This differs from many of the metropolitan hospitals where paediatric and trauma patients are often sent to specific hospitals. You will gain experience in resuscitation, procedural and ultrasound skills, short stay medicine and minor injuries with supervision tailored to your stage of training from enthusiastic and supportive emergency physicians.

We have an outstanding educational program and have an excellent pass rate for those sitting their primary exams. We are able to offer rotations to other specialties including ICU and anaesthetics to allow you to complete a large proportion of your training in Bendigo.

Positions available

- The Emergency Department employs **30 Registrars**, a mixture of full and part time positions
- We have **18 HMOs** on rotation to ED each term (4 of which are part of the Critical Care HMO stream which can then be used as a stepping stone each of the colleges)
- We have **GP registrars** who are training for the special skills posts for GP training (at least 2 at any time) and can incorporate that into a EM Certificate or Diploma
- We have **8 accredited intern positions** that form part of the PMCV and AHPRA internship requirements.

Teaching Opportunities

- Half day of protected, paid registrar teaching - weekly
- Close on the floor contact and procedure training with consultant staff
- Dedicated teaching and support for primary and fellowship exams
- Opportunities to be involved in teaching for HMOs and interns
- Regular Morbidity and Mortality meetings



Excellent Care. Every Person. Every Time.

Training Pathway

You are able to apply to become a trainee with the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM) in the PGY3 year after 6 months in an accredited Emergency Department.

Provisional training consists of at least 12 months working in the Emergency Department and completion of the primary exams. We have an extensive primary exam preparation program which has been hugely popular and delivered a very high pass rate for our trainees.

Upon satisfactory completion of provisional training, trainees move into four years of advanced training consisting of time spent in both regional and tertiary emergency departments, critical care and optional rotations in related specialties. Bendigo Health ED is currently accredited at the top level of accreditation for advanced Emergency Medicine training. Combined with rotations we can offer in other specialties it is possible to spend a significant proportion of your training in Bendigo.

Please see the ACEM website (www.acem.org.au) for further details.

If you are interested in a position or are thinking about EM training then you should email or call one of the Directors of EM training to have a chat. They can give you further career advice and assist you in the process – you can do this anytime (the earlier the better). You should do this if you are looking to enter EM training even if it is through the critical care stream.

Recruitment for Critical Care HMOs and GP skills training is through the hospital recruitment process on the Bendigo Health Careers page.

Recruitment for GP special skills posts is co-ordinated through the HMO workforce here at Bendigo Health, although if there are clinical / training questions they can be directed to the below contacts for the Emergency Department.

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