

Medical Career Pathways with Bendigo Health

Critical Care Stream (PGY3+ Only)

The Critical Care Stream positions are available to PGY3+ HMOs and includes a combination of the following rotations:

- Anaesthetics
- Emergency Medicine
- Intensive Care Medicine

The Critical Care HMO year is designed as a stepping stone for a career in Anaesthetics, Emergency or Intensive Care Medicine. It is considered to be a 'pre-registrar year' for PGY3+ junior doctors who are intending to enter these respective training programs.

Through the course of clinical work in the above rotations the HMO will gain broad exposure to general critical care medicine. In addition, there are educational, governance and professional expectations to supplement the overall learning experience for the Critical Care HMO.

A log book is expected to be maintained by each Critical Care HMO relating to procedures undertaken during the course of the year. This forms part of each term assessment with the department supervisor.

Positions available

- Four (4) PGY3+ HMO Positions – recruited through the PMCV Match process

Learning Opportunities

- Supported attendance for weekly ED HMO Education and fortnightly General HMO Education
- Prioritised access to the Bendigo Health eBASIC, BASIC and Paediatric BASIC courses
- Multidisciplinary team education and training
- Departmental meetings for case discussions
- Opportunities to lead education for medical students and other health professional colleagues
- Participation in quality and research activities
- Supervisors of Training available to provide guidance, with year-long mentorship available
- Support for Professional Development leave to attend relevant courses and conferences

Training Pathways

Career progression at Bendigo Health includes suitable PGY3 and registrar positions that meet criteria for accredited college training. Depending on your intended speciality training can consist of a range of rotations and with rotations we can offer in other specialities it is possible to spend a significant proportion of your training in Bendigo.

Many trainees in the emergency medicine and intensive care pathways have prepared and successfully passed the respective primary exams whilst working at Bendigo Health and supported by the extensive primary exam programs.

Further information regarding the recruitment process for Critical Care Stream HMOs and Registrar training can be found on the Bendigo Health Careers page.

Emergency Medicine - Australasian College of Emergency Medicine (ACEM)

HMOs are eligible to apply for entry to the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM) during PGY3 HMO year.

From 2022 Bendigo Health has been accredited to the highest level of accreditation by ACEM for Emergency Medicine training, and offers registrar rotations in ICU, paediatrics and anaesthetics thereby a significant proportion of training can be completed in Bendigo.

For Emergency Medicine training you can spend a majority of your training time (all except 12 months) working at Bendigo Health. We have extensive exam preparation programs which has been hugely popular and delivered a very high pass rate for our trainees at both primary and fellowship level. The five year training program consists of time spent in both regional and tertiary emergency departments, critical care and optional rotations in related specialties.

Intensive Care Medicine - College of Intensive Care Medicine (CICM)

Six months of ICU Foundation experience is required prior yearly CICM application intake period. This can be completed at Bendigo Health as a single 6 month rotation, or 2 x 3- month ICU rotations.

Bendigo Health ICU is accredited for 6 months of core (advanced) intensive care medicine (CICM) training, and offers a further 12 months of CICM-accredited anaesthetics training for ICU registrars. Acute and longitudinal medicine and Transition Year CICM rotations at Bendigo Health is also included for CICM training purposes and are available on an ad hoc basis at Bendigo Health. Rotations at Bendigo Health also fulfil the college CICM criteria of compulsory rural exposure.

Anaesthetics - Australia New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA)

Entry into the Anaesthesia training program is developing in the Loddon Mallee region. Bendigo Health Anaesthesia hosts registrars from the Victorian Regional Anaesthesia Training Network (VRATN), as well as tertiary hospital affiliated ANZCA trainees, GP Anaesthesia registrar (JCCA), and ED and ICU registrars. For up to date information about local ANZCA training, please contact the Clinical Unit Head of Anaesthesia.



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