RMO Campaign 2024

# Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospital Profile

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# **Location information**

Hervey Bay and Maryborough are located within the Fraser Coast Region in the South East of Queensland. Hervey Bay is just over three hours' drive or a 45-minute flight from Brisbane. Its abundance of natural assets includes the Great Sandy Strait, the World Heritage-listed K'gari (Fraser Island), the Bay and the wetlands, and it boasts a quality of life that balances work and pleasure.

Maryborough is known as the "Heritage City" and is rich in history and culture.

# **Hospital facilities**

Hervey Bay Hospital is a 209-bed facility and provides medical staff with broad clinical exposure, hands-on experience and great access to procedural skills. Resident medical officers (RMOs) have direct contact with senior clinicians and active involvement in patient care, with ample opportunity for bedside learning and training along with innovative opportunities for clinical research.





Maryborough Hospital is a 95-bed facility and is the site of the Fraser Coast's 14-bed integrated mental health acute inpatient unit.

#### Senior medical staff

The following provides an overview of the senior medical staffing at Hervey Bay and Maryborough.

- Executive Director of Medical Services
- Director of Medical Services
- Director of Clinical Training
- 11 Clinical Directors
- 5 Visiting Medical Officers
- 59 full-time Specialists/Senior Medical Officers

# Clinical service profile

### Hervey Bay Hospital services include:

24-hour Emergency Department	Intensive Care	General Medicine
General Surgery	Paediatrics	Orthopaedic Surgery
Specialist Outpatients	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	Medical Imaging
Pathology	Pharmacy	Renal services
Palliative Care	Oncology	Physiotherapy
Occupational Therapy	Speech Pathology	Dietetics
Social Work	Community and Family Health	School Health
Community Health nursing	Indigenous Health services	Alcohol and Other Drugs services
Transition Care	Chronic Disease management	Breast Care nursing services
Community-based Rehabilitation	Breast screening	Mental Health services
Oral Health	Hospital in the Home	

A new \$40 million three-story facility – housing an expanded Emergency Department, education facilities and future inpatient wards – opened in February 2019. Currently the Hervey Bay Hospital is expanding with a 32 bed Mental Health Unit under construction (due to open in late 2023).

# **RMO** education and training opportunities

The Medical Education Unit provides support for both professional and personal matters with the support of the Director of Clinical Training and the Senior Medical Education Officer.

#### An extensive postgraduate education program is offered:

- Weekly Junior Doctor Education Sessions
- Monthly Grand Rounds Meetings
- Intern and junior doctor-focused department/unit education program, teleconferenced multidisciplinary team meetings, video-conferenced teaching and educational sessions with tertiary facilities
- Onsite skills and professional development workshops including suturing, ECG workshops, Interview Techniques, and plastering workshops
- Fortnightly simulation-based Intern skills training in Hervey Bay and Maryborough
- Mentoring for Interns and mandatory training through flexible online modules

# **Employment conditions**

- Award conditions apply 76 ordinary working hours per fortnight with a minimum of ten hours off between shifts
- · Five weeks annual leave
- 1.6 weeks professional development leave (except for Interns)
- Merit-based selection to positions
- WBHHS offer an attractive relocation and travel allowance.

# **Available positions**

These numbers are subject to change, and applicants should always discuss employment opportunities with your preferred hospitals before submitting your application.

#### Registrars/Principal House Officers (81)

Anaesthetics (6), Emergency Medicine (28), General Medicine (20), General Surgery (8), Intensive Care (6), Obstetrics & Gynaecology (8), Oncology (1), Orthopaedics (6), Paediatrics (6), Psychiatry (8), Rehabilitation (1), Renal Medicine (1).

Training positions exist for Emergency Medicine (Basic and Advanced), General Medicine (Basic), Paediatrics (Basic and Advanced), Intensive Care Medicine (Basic), Anaesthetics, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Psychiatry, ACCRM Advanced Specialist Training in Emergency, ACEM Advanced Training (12 months).

The hospitals are also endorsed for rural generalist training by ACRRM/RACGP for Paediatrics, Anaesthetics, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Surgery and Medicine.

# Resident Medical Officers (Junior and Senior House Officers) (39)

Resident Medical Officers have the opportunity to complete terms in the following specialties:

- Emergency Medicine
- Critical Care
- Intensive Care
- Anaesthetics
- General Medicine (including renal medicine, rehabilitation, oncology, gastroenterology)
- Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Paediatrics
- General Surgery
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Psychiatry
- Rural General Practice

The Bundaberg, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals work closely together within the framework of the Wide Bay Hospital and Health Service. As a result, opportunities arise for resident medical staff to rotate to departments in any of the WBHHS facilities to support career development or clinical need.

# **Community and lifestyle**

The Fraser Coast Region enjoys a comfortable, temperate climate. In summer, temperatures average between 20°C and 30°C. In winter, temperatures average between 9°C and 22°C.

The Fraser Coast is a stunning tapestry of nature's wonders, featuring the World Heritage-listed K'gari (Fraser Island), the Great Sandy Strait, marine parks, wetlands, ancient rainforests and a stunning coastline of pristine, white sandy beaches. The beauty of the Fraser Coast is not confined to the coast, with mountains, national parks, native woodlands, heath and dense rainforest, and the beautiful Mary River.

The region sits within the Great Sandy Biosphere, which is part of a World Network of Biosphere Reserves covering internationally designated protected areas. The Biosphere Reserve status gives worldwide recognition to the Fraser Coast's outstanding natural beauty and diversity.

Besides being able to enjoy the natural wonders of the region, the Fraser Coast also boasts facilities such as the Brolga Theatre and Convention Centre. The Brolga hosts a first-class program of touring entertainment and local performances including international singing stars, Australia's best comedians and the Queensland Ballet.

There are art galleries and museums in both Hervey Bay and Maryborough, and both cities are home to a variety of cafes and restaurants.

The region has 38 state pre-schools, primary and high schools, two facilities for children with special needs, and six private schools catering for students from prep to year 12. Several of the Fraser Coast high schools have scored highly in Queensland academic rankings. Hervey Bay has a fully resourced TAFE College and University of Sunshine Coast campus.

The Fraser Coast is a region that loves sport and adventure. Residents take part in club sports such as rugby league, rugby union, Australian Rules football, touch, netball, basketball, cricket, outrigging, swimming, surf lifesaving, horse riding, soccer, camp-drafting, boating, yachting and fishing. There are also numerous gyms located within the district, as well as scenic walking and cycling tracks.

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