

# Work. Explore. Grow.

## Information for prospective medical interns

Spanning more than 60km along the Queensland coast, the Sunshine Coast is a vast and varied landscape in a subtropical climate. Stunning beaches and pristine waterways sit alongside lush rainforests and national parks, making it one of the most incredible areas to live and work.

Sunshine Coast Health provides care in hospital and community settings across the region:

- Sunshine Coast University Hospital (SCUH) is a modern 745-bed tertiary level teaching hospital and is co-located with Sunshine Coast Health Institute (SCHH) a purpose-built education and research facility.
- Nambour General Hospital (NGH) is a 195-bed teaching hospital and is undergoing redevelopment to better service the growing health needs of the local community.
- Gympie Hospital provides a range of acute, ambulatory, community and mental health services at this 83-bed facility including emergency, surgical and medical services, palliative care and rehabilitation, maternity services and renal dialysis.
- Maleny Soldiers Memorial Hospital is a 25-bed rural facility providing services to the Maleny region.
- Caloundra Hospital is a 35-bed hub for palliative care and ophthalmology as well as other community-based services.

### SCHHS Intern Information Forum

**Date:** Thursday 15 May 2025

**Time:** 5.00–6.00pm AEST

Join the online forum via  
the QR Code or [click here](#)



### The Intern Year

Interns rotate through SCUH, NGH and Gympie. Many specialty and subspecialty terms available in Medicine, Surgery, Emergency Medicine, Paediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, and Mental Health. Those on the Rural Generalist pathway will have allocations in Gympie Hospital, Maleny Hospital and Anaesthetics.

Clinical competence and professional advancement are promoted through the diverse range of clinical exposure and hands-on experience in a friendly and supportive environment.

Career guidance and mentoring for near to peer programs, as well as from the Directors of Clinical Training and other senior clinicians.

**Intern year:** Five terms of 10-12 weeks with large variety of terms available to meet core experiences

**Leave:** Taken as a 5-week block per year.

**Rotations:** Preferences are taken into consideration.

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### Education and Support

The Medical Education Unit provides support and professional development for interns and junior medical officers. Sunshine Coast Health offers a relaxed and social atmosphere encouraging the development of good personal and professional relationships between junior and senior staff.

There is a very active and social Junior Doctor Society who are also a great support network.

Comprehensive 7-day intern orientation program, including clinical shadowing opportunity before commencing work.

Protected education each week including content expert talks, high fidelity simulations, procedural and clinical skills and small group teaching sessions.

24-hour medical library access.



### Example of Intern rotations (PGY1)

**Medicine:** General Medicine, Cardiology, Gastroenterology, Geriatrics (Orthopaedic and Acute), Neurology, Respiratory, Stroke, Rehabilitation.

**Surgery:** General Surgery, ENT, Orthopaedics, Urology, Vascular Surgery, Plastics.

**Emergency:** SCUH and Nambour (Gympie for Rural Generalist training).

**Other:** Mental Health, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Paediatrics.

**Rural Generalist** pathway includes Anaesthetics, Gympie Emergency Medicine, Maleny Rural Medicine.

### Junior House Officer rotations (PGY2)

**Medicine:** Emergency, General Medicine, Obstetric, Renal, Stroke, Respiratory, Cardiology, Gastroenterology, Rehabilitation Medicine, Geriatrics - Acute, Ortho, Acute Restorative Care, Infectious Diseases

**Surgery and Critical Care** General Surgery, Orthopaedics, Vascular, Urology, Ear Nose Throat, Plastics, Intensive Care Medicine, Anaesthetics, Surgical Ward Call.

**Other:** Paediatrics, Mental Health, Anaesthetics, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Rural Medicine (Maleny Hospital), Rural Relieving at Emerald & Barcardine Hospitals, General Practice at Landsborough Medical Centre, Medical & Radiation Oncology, Haematology, Hospital in the Home, Palliative Care, Medical Ward Call.

Sunshine Coast Health will ensure that allocations and clinical experiences for our PGY2 doctors meet the Australian Medical Council standards.

### For more information about our intern program at Sunshine Coast Health:

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