

# GOLD COAST HEALTH DISTRICT

## Geriatric Medicine Service Description

### RMO CAMPAIGN 2025

Gold Coast University Hospital (GCUH) & GEM in the Home (GEMITH)  
Robina Hospital Acute Care of the Elderly Unit & Orthogeriatric Service

Number of Core Training Positions accredited (12 months): 3 Advanced Trainee posts rotating through Robina Hospital and GCUH/Community: GEM in the Home (GEMITH)

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### Description of Service:

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### PROGRAM

<b>GCUH:</b>	<b>Robina Hospital:</b>
Geriatric Consultation Liaison Service GEMITH (GEM in the Home) Interim care GEDI/RaSS	Acute Care of the Elderly, including: Orthogeriatric Unit GEM Geriatric Consultant Liaison Service General Geriatrics Clinic Cognitive Disorders Clinic Falls and Balance clinic GEDI/ RaSS

### Number/type of Geriatric Beds:

<b>GCUH:</b>	<b>Robina Hospital: (36 beds)</b>
30 virtual community beds for GEM in the Home 30 beds Interim care	28 Acute care of the elderly 8 Orthogeriatric Beds

### Specialty Clinics:

<b>Robina Hospital:</b>
Memory Clinic Falls / Balance Clinic General Geriatrics clinics

<p><b>Consult Services:</b>  <b>GCUH and Robina Hospital:</b>  As required to other medical and surgical subspecialties</p>	<p><b>Domiciliary Assessment (Community Geriatrics):</b>  Through GEM in the Home (GEMITH)</p>
<p><b>Outpatient Clinics/Day Hospital:</b></p> <p>General Geriatric clinics  Cognitive Disorders clinics  Falls and Balance clinics</p>	<p><b>Emergency Department at both campuses</b></p> <p>Liaise and facilitate care with Geriatric Emergency Department Intervention (GEDI) and Residential Aged Care Facility Acute Support Services (RaSS)</p>
<p><b>Formal Training</b></p>	
<p><b>Lectures:</b>  Video link access to state-wide Geriatric Medicine Advanced Training Programme.</p>	<p>Aged Care Quality and Safety Meeting every 2 months  M &amp; M meeting every 2 months  Journal club twice monthly  Peer review / case discussion 6 weekly  Weekly geriatrics education session</p>
<p><b>Grand Rounds:</b>  Weekly at both sites (Video link to Robina)</p>	<p><b>Consult Rounds:</b>  <b>Robina Hospital:</b> 4/week</p>
<p><b>Other Specialty Links:</b> Rehabilitation, Psycho-geriatrics and Pain Clinic as per trainee need.</p>	<p><b>Protected time per week:</b> Up to 4 hours if a research project is conducted</p>
<p><b>Information Infrastructure</b></p>	
<p><b>Library:</b>  Available on site at GCUH and Robina  Online library available through QHEPS at both sites</p>	<p><b>IT:</b>  <b>GCUH:</b> Shared office and computer  <b>Robina Hospital:</b> Shared office and computer</p>
<p><b>Research and Teaching:</b>  Opportunity available at all sites independent or in collaboration with Griffith / Bond universities</p>	<p><b>Quality Assurance:</b>  Available at all sites</p>
<p><b>Trainee Responsibilities</b></p>	
<p><b>Coverage Roster:</b>  Participate in on-call weekend roster, 1 in 6 weekend ward rounds reviewing new NOF admissions.</p>	<p><b>Ward responsibilities/workload:</b>  <b>GCUH:</b> Management of 30 GEMITH beds amongst two teams, 1 in 2 take days. 3 months of 6-month term covering Interim Care.</p>

	<b>Robina Hospital:</b> Management of 36 bed ACE and orthogeriatric unit with support of Consultant and Residents. Three teams manage these 36 beds.
<b>Consultations:</b> GCUH: With Geriatrician supervision, 1 in 2 take days  Robina: With Geriatrician supervision	<b>Specialist Clinic coverage:</b> With Geriatrician once a week for Cognitive Disorders Clinic, Falls and Balance Clinic or General Geriatrics—across both GCUH and Robina Hospital campuses
<b>Domiciliary assessments/ACAT assessments:</b> GCUH: GEMITH home visits as required	Liaise with Geriatric Emergency Department Intervention (GEDI) and Residential Aged Care Facility Acute Support Services (RaSS) as required
<b>Teaching responsibilities:</b> Junior Medical Officers / Medical Students at all sites	<b>Research/presentations:</b> Available on Trainee initiatives. Support for Advanced training research project (ATRP) as required