The Prince Charles Hospital

# The Prince Charles Hospital Profile

# RMO Campaign 2025

## **Location information**

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## **Contact us**

## **Medical Workforce Unit**

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# **Hospital facilities**

The Prince Charles Hospital (TPCH) is a tertiary referral hospital providing health services to people living in the northern suburbs of Brisbane and highly specialised cardiothoracic services to the broader Queensland and northern New South Wales population. It is strategically located 10 km from the heart of the city within an administrative, business and shopping hub serving a local population of approximately 1 million people. The Prince Charles Hospital has approximately 663 beds.

#### Our services include:

- Comprehensive Cardiac and Thoracic medicine
- Cardiothoracic surgery
- Emergency medicine adults and paediatrics
- General medical and general surgical services
- Large Gastroenterology service
- Adults Intensive Care service
- Orthopaedics
- Acute Geriatrics
- Rehabilitation medicine
- Paediatric inpatient and outpatient services
- · Comprehensive and integrated Mental Health service
- Oncology service
- Palliative care

Specialised state-wide services include Heart and Lung Transplantation, Adult Cystic Fibrosis, Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO), Congenital Heart Disease, Percutaneous Valve Therapies and complex cardiac care.

The Prince Charles Hospital is an active centre for education and research. The Northside Medical School campus of the University of Queensland is located on this campus along with the Queensland University of Technology Mechanical and Biological Engineering Facility. There are leading clinical and translational research programs, particularly in the fields of Cardiology, Thoracic Medicine, Cardiothoracic surgery, Critical Care and Orthopaedics. The site is a major training site for Cardiothoracic sub-specialties.

The TPCH Emergency Department is the second biggest in the state. Significant General Medicine and Surgery patient volumes are experienced as a result. In 2019, the Children's Emergency Department became the biggest non-tertiary children's Emergency service in Australia.

The hospital is co-located with St Vincent's Private Hospital Northside. This is a 225-bed private hospital that also provides a range of general and specialist services. It also has a significant tertiary cardiology and cardiac surgical presence.

# Clinical service profile

Health services include: adult and children's emergency departments, adult intensive care, general medicine, general surgery, orthopaedic joint surgery (including fractured neck of femur unit), rehabilitation, geriatric evaluation and management, oncology (medical oncology on-site, visiting radiation oncology service), palliative care, paediatric ward, cardiology, thoracic medicine, cardio-thoracic surgery, radiology, nuclear medicine and pharmacy services. Emergency Department patients with severe trauma (e.g. multiple injuries, severe head injuries and serious burns), Neurosurgical patients, Obstetrics and Gynaecology patients and complex Paediatric patients requiring admission to hospital for treatment are referred to the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital or the Queensland Children's Hospital.

# RMO education and training opportunities

## **Medical Officer Support Team**

This team at The Prince Charles Hospital consists of The Medical Workforce Unit and The Medical Education Unit. Both teams work collaboratively to organise junior doctor term allocations, education, and training programs. Our team aims to provide junior doctors with opportunities to prioritise rotations for training requirements, offer guidance to assist with career choices and provide personal and professional support.

For more information on the advantages of starting your career at TPCH, go to our career website:

http://tpch.qld.libguides.com/careers

## Facilities and other services available

- Free staff car parking
- Doctor's lounge
- The Prince Charles Hospital Library
- Educational centre
- Simulation centres
- Medical Education Unit support
- Weekly Grand Rounds with lunch provided
- Weekly Intern Training
- Once per term specific RMO training (COVID permitting)
- Internet access
- Childcare facilities on campus
- 5 minutes from Westfield Chermside Shopping centre
- One-hour drive to Sunshine/Gold Coasts
- Bus network close by
- After work sports teams
- Resident Medical Officer Society and social events
- Bike Sheds
- Staff Lockers
- Yearly Celebrating Our Doctors Day, crazy soxs for docs day

# **Employment conditions**

- Award conditions apply 76 working hours per fortnight, with a minimum of 10 hours-time off between shifts (Award leave provisions including annual, professional development and exam provided) on call and remote shifts needed.
- Salary Packaging option

## **Available positions**

#### **Fellows**

**Cardiology** - Electrophysiology or Interventional Cardiology Heart Disease, Echocardiography, Heart Failure/Transplant, Adult Congenital Heart Disease

**Thoracic Medicine** - Adult Cystic Fibrosis, Sleep Medicine, Lung Transplant and Vascular Disease, Pulmonary Malignancy

Anaesthetics - Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia and General Anaesthesia

Radiology - Cardiovascular Imaging

Cardiothoracic Surgery - Clinical Fellow in Cardiothoracic Surgery

#### **Orthopaedics**

Fellow positions are recruited outside of the RMO Campaign. Please contact The Prince Charles Hospital directly regarding these positions.

# **Registrars**

**Medicine** - Basic Physician Training, General Physician Training (Advanced), Chief Medical Registrar, Cardiology, Respiratory and Sleep Medicine, Geriatric Medicine, Rehabilitation Medicine, Neurology/Acute Stroke, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, Medical Oncology, Palliative Care, Nephrology, Infectious Diseases, Nuclear Medicine

Surgery - General Surgery, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Orthopaedics, Vascular Surgery

Anatomical Pathology, Anaesthetics, Adult Emergency Medicine, Paediatric Emergency Medicine, General Paediatrics (Ward and OPD), Intensive Care Medicine, Psychiatry, Radiology, Medical Administration, Emergency Medicine Medical Education

# **Principal House officers**

Psychiatry, General Surgery, Cardiac Surgery, Intensive Care, Orthopaedics, Cardiology, General Medicine, Adult and Paediatric Emergency Medicine, Urology, Gastroenterology.

### Junior and Senior House Officers

The Prince Charles Hospital offers a unique career focused allocation process. Career pathway interviews are offered in conjunction with the ability to pre-preference terms prior to the beginning of each medical year.

<u>Critical care rotation</u>: **(SHO)** A six-month ICU or three-month ICU term paired with Emergency or acute medical and surgical terms. There may be associated anaesthetic PDL opportunities. Some ward call is required. Ideal for careers in ICU, ED, Anaesthetics, Acute Medicine or Surgical Specialities

<u>ED SHO (called the TPCH JEDI program)</u> – an ED program catering for those interested in ACEM training including certificate and diploma training or where up to 12 months Emergency Medicine clinical experience would be advantageous. This may include Adult ED, Children's ED and three months of ICU.

<u>Surgical rotation; (SHO)</u> A six-month rotation in Orthopaedics or General Surgery or Cardiothoracic surgery over the course of the 12 months. Some ward call is required. Ideal steppingstone for those wanting a frequent opportunity to liaise with Senior Surgeons - mainly day work, OPD and Operating time included. A good opportunity to pass the GSSE during this role.

<u>Medical rotation (SHO)</u>: A rotating opportunity through Medical, Medical Subspeciality and Emergency terms. Some ward call is required. Ideal for those BPT 1 or wishing to apply for BPT training.

<u>General Practice Rotation (JHO or SHO)</u>: A rotating opportunity suitable for GP training including Paediatrics or Paediatric ED, Mental Health or O and G.

<u>Paediatric Diploma SHO</u>: six-month opportunity in paediatrics requiring enrolment and completion of Child Health Diploma

<u>Anaesthetic rotation JHO and SHO</u>: A rotating opportunity through Anaesthetics. Some ward call is required. Ideal for those wishing to apply for Critical Care/Anaesthetics training.

<u>Medical Education RMO</u>: A rotating opportunity as a Medical Education RMO. Some ward call is required. Ideal for those who are interested in Education and Training. In this rotation you will support student teaching and learning activities delivered by hospital staff.

<u>General Practice Rotation JHO or SHO</u>: A rotation opportunity suitable for GP training including Paediatrics or Paediatric ED, Mental Health or O & G.

General rotation terms JHO and SHO: a mix maintaining career pluripotency – applicable to many pathways.

<u>Medical Imaging (JHO or SHO)</u>: A rotating opportunity through Medical Imaging. Ideal for those wishing to apply for Radiology training.

**Special Interest:** There are some opportunities in Dermatology at The Prince Charles Hospital. Recruitment and selection to these positions is co-ordinated through a centralised process with Dermatology Queensland.

Available Allocations – usually 10 -12 weeks in duration: General Medicine including Oncology, Cardiology (including EP, ECHO and Adult Congenital Heart Disease, Heart Transplant), Thoracic Medicine (including Cystic Fibrosis, Pulmonary Malignancy and Lung Transplant), Geriatrics, Rehabilitation and Acute Stroke, Palliative Care Medicine, Gastroenterology, Medical Education, Anaesthetics, Acute Medical and Surgical Unit, Psychiatry, General Surgery, Cardiac Surgery, Thoracic Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, Orthogeriatrics (NOF team), Adult Emergency Medicine, Paediatric Emergency Medicine, General Paediatrics (Ward and OPD). An exciting term exists in the Intensive Care Unit at St Vincent's Private Hospital Northside 6 months and ICU TPCH 3 months.

You may be asked to work across any location in Metro North including Surgical Treatment and Rehabilitation Service (STARS), a new 182 bed specialist public health facility located on the Herston Campus offering specialist rehabilitation, elective surgery and endoscopy procedural services.

A driver's licence and own vehicle is required.

# **Community and lifestyle**

Chermside has always been a family orientated suburb. The area boasts great recreational facilities including 2 large parks, a sporting field, numerous high-quality schools, a water park and an extensive library. This is all in addition to the world-class shopping facilities of the Westfield Shopping Centre. Since the upgrade of the Chermside Westfield Shopping Centre, the number of residential property developments in the area has boomed. Numerous luxury apartments have been built around the shopping centre's perimeter, providing convenient housing to the large number of professionals being attracted to the suburb.

Escape city life by exploring the walking tracks and bike paths of the Chermside Hills Reserves, 3 recreational bushland reserves located in Chermside. The Downfall Creek Bushland Centre, located at the Raven Street Reserve, provides a number of environmental and cultural displays exploring the local flora and fauna.

Alternatively, live in a city (New Farm/Teneriffe, City) and drive less than 20 minutes to work

