

Position Description

CYMHS/General Paediatrics Registrar And General Paediatrics Registrar

Classification:	CYMHS/General Paediatrics Position
Business unit/department:	Medical & Cancer services Speciality & General medicine
Work location:	Austin Hospital ☒ Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital ☒ Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre ☐ Other ☐ (please specify)
Agreement:	AMA Victoria - Victorian Public Health Sector - Doctors in Training Enterprise Agreement 2022-2026
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Employment type:	Full-Time
Hours per week:	43
Reports to:	Unit Heads, Consultants, and Chief Medical Officer through the MWU
Direct reports:	0
Financial management:	Budget:
Date:	April 2026

Austin Health acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we operate, the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung People of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



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Position purpose

Austin Health General Paediatrics (6 months)/ General Paediatrics with CYMHS (6 months)-
12month positions only - 4 positions in total

- These positions may be offered in either order for the rotations and are full-time positions only
- These roles provide 6 months of general paediatric medicine combined with child psychiatry through the CYMHS department (0.5FTE each) as well as 6 months on the rotating General paediatric registrar roster
- Accredited for 9 months of general paediatrics (without perinatal) and 3 months of developmental/psychosocial
- Current application for non-core Community Child Health training – awaiting outcome

Austin Health General Paediatrics - 6- or 12-month positions - job share welcome
This role is accredited for General Paediatrics (without perinatal) for up to 9 months

About the Directorate/Division/Department

The Department of Paediatric Medicine is part of the Medical Services Division and is located at the Austin Hospital campus in Heidelberg.

The Inpatient Paediatric Ward on 2 West is a 16-bed unit comprising medical and surgical patients. On average, the inpatient unit treats 1100 children every year for medical admissions which include general paediatrics, endocrine, epilepsy and eating disorders. Surgical admissions include ENT, orthopaedics, plastics, ophthalmology, and maxillofacial surgery.

The Paediatric Outpatients service attends to around 3000 patients per year. Clinics include general paediatrics, adolescent and child eating disorder program, a fortnightly diabetes clinic and urgent emergency department referrals. The 6-month/12-month term gives the opportunity for the registrar to gain experience in longitudinal outpatient follow-up of patients with a variety of problems. Registrars attend an average of 2 clinics per week.

The Paediatric Emergency Department is a 6-cubicle dedicated area with a paediatric procedure room. The department has 3 Resuscitation rooms which are equipped for both adult and paediatric presentations. The department sees approximately 18,000 paediatric presentations every year and is staffed with Paediatric Emergency Physicians, Paediatric Registrars and Emergency Registrars

Position responsibilities

CYMHS/General Paediatrics Position

Registrars undertaking this role have a fortnightly roster that includes 50% of the time in the Child and Youth Mental Health Service (CYMHS) and 50% of the time in General Paediatrics.



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CYMHS Responsibilities

The CYMHS role is based within a community mental health team where you will receive a comprehensive orientation with ongoing regular training and supervision. You will case manage a variety of presentations and be involved with the Autism Assessment Team and other specialised mental health services.

General Paediatrics Position

The General Paediatrics Registrars rotate through a 7 week roster. This includes rotating through day, evening and night shifts. The roster includes a mix of work on the Paediatric Ward, in Paediatric Clinics (average of 2 per week) and some shifts in the Paediatric Emergency Department. You will participate in Paediatric (and YADS) Diabetes Clinics. One week of the roster is available for leave cover.

You will work with a Paediatric Senior Resident on the ward as part of a multi-disciplinary team. There are weekly multi-disciplinary team meetings and Family Meetings.

All registrars are allocated a non-clinical portfolio and we encourage your contribution to quality improvement within our service.

5 hours of teaching time are rostered each week (approximately half is self-directed education). All positions have rostered standby on call for night shifts in case of illness

General Paediatric Responsibilities

The General Paediatric component of the role includes Paediatric ward shifts (inclusive of one Sunday shift per fortnight) and Paediatric Clinic shifts (3 per fortnight). You will experience a wide range of general paediatrics and adolescent medicine, acute presentations as well as a wealth of community, behavioural and developmental paediatrics in addition to eating disorders, diabetes and epilepsy. All positions have rostered standby on call for night shifts in case of illness

Credentialing and Scope of Clinical Practice

General Paediatrics (without perinatal) for up to 9 months

Combined Gen Paeds / CYMHS: 9 months of general paediatrics (without perinatal) and 3 months of developmental/psychosocial training

Current application for non-core Community Child Health training – awaiting outcome

Selection criteria

Essential skills and experience:

- A commitment to Austin Health values.
- • Appropriate tertiary medical qualification.
- • Minimum two-year post-graduate medical experience within paediatrics and
- Neonatal experience.



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- Preferably advanced trainee (post FRACP exams)
- Registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) (note- eligible applicants will be assisted through this process).
- Dedication to delivering excellent service – to patients, all colleagues (nursing, medical, managerial, support staff), GPs and other contact points.

Desirable but not essential:

A sound understanding of information technology including clinical systems

Professional qualifications and registration requirements

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Quality, safety and risk – all roles

All Austin Health employees are required to:

- Maintain a safe working environment for yourself, colleagues and members of the public by following organisational safety, quality and risk policies and guidelines.
- Escalate concerns regarding safety, quality and risk to the appropriate staff member, if unable to rectify yourself.
- Promote and participate in the evaluation and continuous improvement processes.
- Comply with the principles of person-centered care.
- Comply with requirements of National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and other relevant regulatory requirements.

Other conditions – all roles

All Austin Health employees are required to:

- Adhere to Austin Health's core values: *our actions show we care, we bring our best, together we achieve, and we shape the future.*
- Comply with the Austin Health's Code of Conduct policy, as well as all other policies and procedures (as amended from time to time).
- Comply with all Austin Health mandatory training and continuing professional development requirements.
- Provide proof of immunity to nominated vaccine preventable diseases in accordance with Austin Health's immunisation screening policy.
- Work across multiple sites as per work requirements and/or directed by management.



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General information

Cultural safety

Austin Health is committed to cultural safety and health equity for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander People. We recognise cultural safety as the positive recognition and celebration of cultures. It is more than just the absence of racism or discrimination, and more than cultural awareness and cultural sensitivity. It empowers people and enables them to contribute and feel safe to be themselves.

Equal Opportunity Employer

We celebrate, value, and include people of all backgrounds, genders, identities, cultures, bodies, and abilities. We welcome and support applications from talented people identifying as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, people with disability, neurodiverse people, LGBTQIA+ and people of all ages and cultures.

Austin Health is a child safe environment

We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. Austin Health has zero tolerance for any form of child abuse and commits to protect children. We take allegations of abuse and neglect seriously and will make every effort to mitigate and respond to risk in line with hospital policy and procedures.



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