

# Position Description

## Intestinal Rehabilitation Fellow

<b>Classification:</b>	Fellow
<b>Business unit/department:</b>	Gastroenterology
<b>Work location:</b>	Austin Hospital <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> (please specify)
<b>Agreement:</b>	AMA Victoria - Victorian Public Health Sector - Doctors in Training Enterprise Agreement 2022-2026
<b>Employment type:</b>	Fixed-Term Part-Time
<b>Hours per week:</b>	27 (0.6 FTE)
<b>Reports to:</b>	A/Prof Darren Wong
<b>Direct reports:</b>	N/A
<b>Financial management:</b>	Budget:
<b>Date:</b>	February 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.

### Position purpose

Austin Health is seeking a dedicated Intestinal Rehabilitation Fellow to join our highly specialised multidisciplinary team in managing complex inpatients and outpatients on home parenteral nutrition. In this role, you will enhance clinical safety through the intensive oversight of parenteral nutrition prescribing and by facilitating a collaborative, shared-care model between medical and surgical units. You will also lead innovative models of care for vulnerable patients requiring long term enteral access, while actively contributing to the unit's subspecialty research and clinical governance initiatives.

### About the Directorate/Division/Department

The Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology is part of the Surgery, Anaesthetic & Procedural Medicine Division, and is responsible for the provision of services within the specialty to patients across Austin Health.

Emergency and inpatient services are based at Austin Hospital while outpatient services and endoscopy are based at the Austin Hospital and Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital. In addition, a consultative service is provided for other units within the Medical Centre. The Unit maintains a strong commitment to research, undergraduate and postgraduate teaching.

## Position responsibilities

### Clinical Care and Inpatient Management

- Collaborate with general surgical teams using a shared-care inpatient model for patients with anticipated or actual intestinal failure.
- Provide intensive oversight of the prescription, administration, and dosing of intravenous parenteral nutrition for acute cases.
- Deliver a consult-based service for patients referred for the management of complex and persistent intestinal failure.
- Teaching role for advanced trainees in gastroenterology on topics related to intestinal rehabilitation.

### Outpatient and Specialist Services

- Manage outpatients with intestinal failure who require home parenteral nutrition.
- Lead telehealth enteral access clinics for motor neurone disease and upper GI tumour patients.
- Facilitate improved access to care for vulnerable patient groups requiring enteral access procedures.

### Governance, Quality, and Safety

- Conduct audits and governance activities for both inpatient and outpatient intestinal failure services.
- Monitor and regulate peripheral parenteral nutrition prescriptions to reduce the risk of inappropriate prescribing.
- Ensure central lines are appropriately positioned according to Austin CVAD guidelines to mitigate risks of infection or thrombosis.
- Escalate any identified safety or quality concerns to the appropriate staff members.

### Research and Professional Development

- Engage in dedicated research initiatives specifically focused on intestinal failure.
- Contribute to the field through publications in peer-reviewed journals.
- Participate in subspecialty training to build clinical capacity within the unit.

### Organisational Requirements

- Adhere to Austin Health's core values and the professional Code of Conduct.
- Comply with National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and other relevant regulatory policies.
- Maintain all mandatory training and continuing professional development requirements.

## Selection criteria



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### Essential skills and experience:

- A commitment to Austin Health values.
- Appropriate tertiary medical qualification from either an Australian Medical School or recognised overseas training.
- Current general registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Completion of at least two core years of advanced training in gastroenterology and hepatology or similar training accredited by the Royal Australasian College of Physicians.
- Dedication to delivering excellent service – to patients, all colleagues (nursing, medical, managerial, support staff), GPs and other contact points.
- Active interest in research shown through peer-reviewed publications within the last 3 years.

### Desirable but not essential:

- Demonstrable interest in intestinal failure through research publications and / or clinical experience.
- Clinical experience with the use of teduglutide in chronic intestinal failure
- Further clinical training in a subspecialty area of gastroenterology or hepatology.
- Conjoint Committee for the Recognition of Training in Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (CCRTGE) certification in gastroscopy and colonoscopy.

## Professional qualifications and registration requirements

- Current general registration with AHPRA.
- Completed core advanced training in a gastroenterology/hepatology training program recognised by the RACP.

## 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.*



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- 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.

## 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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