



# PSYCHIATRY

## The Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP)

To become a Psychiatrist, you will need to apply for fellowship with [The Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists](#). Fellowship is a 5-year (full time) training pathway consisting of three stages:

- Stage 1: 12 months basic level Adult Psychiatry (includes 6 months in an acute setting).
- Stage 2: 24 months proficient level rotations (includes required 6 months Child and Adolescent rotation, 6 months Consultation-Liaison rotation, and 2 x 6 months of elective rotations).
- Stage 3: 24 months advanced level rotations (Trainees select 4 x 6 month elective rotations).

A Certificate of Advanced Subspecialty Training (24 months) can be commenced concurrently in Stage 3.

### Entry requirements/pre-requisites

- General Medical Registration.
- Completion of PGY1.

### Application and selection process – [how to apply](#)

Queensland Health Directors of Hospital and Health Services in conjunction with the Queensland Branch Training Committee (QBTC) and Office of Postgraduate Training in Psychiatry (PGT) oversee Psychiatry training rotation placements into Queensland facilities.

To obtain a Psychiatry training placement, prospective trainees must 1) complete the Psychiatry Training Program Preference Form and submit to the Postgraduate Coordinator at [PGT.PAH@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:PGT.PAH@health.qld.gov.au) and 2) submit an online application through the Queensland Health Resident Medical Officer [RMO Campaign](#) to secure an employment contract with your preferred training site. Please note that if you do not secure an accredited position with a Hospital and Health Service, then you are unable to register to commence training.

It is also recommended to make contact with the Chief Training Supervisor at the training site you have indicated in your preference form to discuss your plans.

## Regional Training Hub Wide Bay

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### Useful contacts and links

Bundaberg Hospital  
Medical Education: [BBHMedicalEducation@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:BBHMedicalEducation@health.qld.gov.au)  
Medical Administration: [WBHHS-MedicalAdmin@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:WBHHS-MedicalAdmin@health.qld.gov.au)

Hervey Bay Hospital  
Medical Education: [HBHMedicalEducation@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:HBHMedicalEducation@health.qld.gov.au)  
Medical Administration: [WBHHS-MedicalAdmin@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:WBHHS-MedicalAdmin@health.qld.gov.au)

Medi-Nav: <https://medinav.health.qld.gov.au>

The Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists:  
<https://www.ranzcp.org/pre-fellowship/selection-of-trainees>

RMO Campaign - Queensland Psychiatry Training Programs: <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/employment/work-for-us/clinical/medical/recruitment/training/psychiatry>

Australian Medical Association Careers Pathway Guide:  
<https://ama.com.au/careers/pathways/select>

National Medical Workforce Factsheet:  
<https://hwd.health.gov.au/webapi/customer/documents/factsheets/2016/Psychiatry.pdf>



## Program requirements

Training requirements summary: <https://www.ranzcp.org/files/prefellowship/2012-fellowship-program/administration/ranzcp-training-pathway.aspx>

Training Program overview: <https://www.ranzcp.org/pre-fellowship/about-the-training-program>

## Regional training opportunities in Wide Bay

There are currently 6 Psychiatry registrar positions (with capacity for up to 8 registrar positions) in Bundaberg and 5 Psychiatry registrar positions (with capacity for up to 7 registrar positions) in the Fraser Coast (Hervey Bay/Maryborough)\*.

**\*Position data valid as at May 2019.**

The following table provides an overview of the Psychiatry training program and which stages/rotations the Bundaberg and Fraser Coast Mental Health Services are accredited for:

COLLEGE	SPECIALTY	Years of Training (Years)	Earliest year of entry into program	TRAINING PROGRAM																		Minimum training time in an approved training program within RANZCP approved areas of practice (Months)
				Basic Level Adult Psychiatry rotation (Months)	Psychiatry Acute Setting	Consultation - Liaison Psychiatry (Months)	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry (Months)	Addiction Psychiatry (Months)	Adult Psychiatry (Months)	Forensic Psychiatry (Months)	Indigenous Psychiatry (Months)	Psychiatry of old age (Months)	Consultation - Liaison Psychiatry (Months)	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry (Months)	Addiction Psychiatry (Months)	Adult Psychiatry (Months)	Forensic Psychiatry (Months)	Indigenous Psychiatry (Months)	Psychiatry of old age (Months)	Psychotherapies (Months)	Research/medical education/medical administration Psychiatry (Months)	
RANZCP	PSYCHIATRY	5	PGY2	Stage 1		Stage 2						Stage 3						Advanced - Certificates of Subspecialty (Optional for trainees wanting to specialise)				
				12 (includes 6 months in acute setting)			2 rotations in a single or multiple area(s) of practice (total 12 months FTE)		4 elective rotations (each 6 months FTE) in a single or multiple area(s) or practice						24							
	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓		✓					6			
	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service (Hervey Bay and Maryborough)	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓							

## Map your Psychiatry training pathway in Wide Bay

The following tables provide example pathways from internship through to fellowship in the Wide Bay region:

Bundaberg Base:		GENERAL PSYCHIATRY TRAINING PROGRAM - EXAMPLE PATHWAY								
PGY1	PGY2	STAGE 1	STAGE 2			STAGE 3				
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4		PGY5		PGY6		PGY7	
Intern	RMO	Basic Training	Consultation - Liaison Psychiatry	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry - Rural	Adult Psychiatry - Rural	Adult Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry
Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service	Bundaberg Mental Health Service

Fraser Coast Base:		GENERAL PSYCHIATRY TRAINING PROGRAM - EXAMPLE PATHWAY								
PGY1	PGY2	STAGE 1	STAGE 2			STAGE 3				
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4		PGY5		PGY6		PGY7	
Intern	RMO	Basic Training	Consultation - Liaison Psychiatry	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry	Forensic Psychiatry	Forensic Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry	Adult Psychiatry
Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service	Fraser Coast Mental Health Service

Trainees can complete the entire General Psychiatry pathway in Bundaberg and the Fraser Coast; however, at current cannot complete Advanced Training Certificates in subspecialty areas of practice.

### Disclaimer

The University of Queensland Regional Training Hubs have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the information contained in this document is both accurate and current. Information in this Guide is accurate as at May 2019. Pathways provided are examples only and may be dependent on availability of positions, allocation processes and individual progression through the training program. While care has been taken to provide accurate information in this Guide, it is the responsibility of prospective candidates for training pathways and positions to check and confirm specific details with relevant Colleges and health authorities directly.