



ADULT INTERNAL MEDICINE - Basic Physician Training

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP)

To become a General Medicine Physician you will need to apply for fellowship with [The Royal Australasian College of Physicians](#). Fellowship is a 6 year (full time equivalent) training pathway consisting of 3 years (full time equivalent) Adult Internal Medicine – Basic Training followed by 3 years (full time) Advanced Training in General and Acute Care Medicine.

Basic	Year 1	Adult Internal Medicine - Basic Training: 36 months (full time) consisting of: – 24 months (full time) core training (including 3 months general and acute care medicine & 12 months in medical specialties) – Maximum 12 months non-core training, which can be replaced by additional core training – At least 12 months at a Level 3 Teaching Hospital and at least 3 months outside of a Level 3 Teaching Hospital.
Basic	Year 2	
Basic	Year 3	
Advanced	Year 4	Advanced Training in General and Acute Care Medicine: 36 months (full time) consisting of: – 24 months (full time) core training – 12 months (full time) non-core training.
Advanced	Year 5	
Advanced	Year 6	

Completing Basic Training in Adult Internal Medicine allows doctors to train in General and Acute Care Medicine and/or specialise in one of 35 medical specialties available in the RACP Advanced Training Program.

Entry requirements/pre-requisites

- General Medical Registration with the Medical Board of Australia.
- Have a minimum of 20 weeks experience in general medicine or medical specialties (earliest entry is PGY2, although PGY3 is preferred).
- Secured a Basic Training position at an accredited training hospital or health service.
- Discussed your application and received approval to apply for Basic Training from the hospital (or network) [Director of Physician Education \(DPE\)](#). Please note that DPE approval is limited to trainees that have been formally selected onto the network.

Regional Training Hub Wide Bay

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Useful contacts and links

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Medical Administration: WBHHS-MedicalAdmin@health.qld.gov.au

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

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians: <https://www.racp.edu.au/>

Queensland Basic Physician Training Network (Adult Medicine): <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/employment/work-for-us/clinical/medical/recruitment/training/physician>

Queensland General Medicine Advanced Training Network: <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/employment/work-for-us/clinical/medical/recruitment/training/general-medicine>

National Medical Workforce Factsheet: <https://hwd.health.gov.au/webapi/customer/documents/factsheets/2016/General%20medicine.pdf>



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

The [Queensland Basic Physician Training Network](#) provides centralised recruitment, selection and allocation of RACP registered Basic Physician Trainees (BPT) intending to commence basic physician training in Queensland. Applicants must apply through the [RMO campaign](#) to secure an employment contract for a position in an accredited facility.

Once you have secured an Basic Training position, you must prospectively apply for approval as per the [RACP Progression through Training Policy](#).

Program requirements

Basic Training curriculum: https://www.racp.edu.au/docs/default-source/trainees/basic-training/adult-internal-medicinebasic-training-curriculum.pdf?sfvrsn=43fc2c1a_4

Regional training opportunities in Wide Bay

There are currently 5 Basic Physician Trainee positions in Bundaberg and 3 Basic Physician Trainee positions in Hervey Bay*.

***Position data valid as at April 2021.**

The following table outlines the Basic Physician Trainee pathway and which components the Bundaberg and Hervey Bay Hospitals are accredited for:

COLLEGE	SUB-SPECIALTY	Total Training Time (Months)	Type of training accredited for	TRAINING PROGRAM							
				Minimum training time in a Level 3 Hospital (Months)	Maximum training time allowed in Level 3 Training Hospital (Months)	Maximum training time allowed in Level 2 Hospital (Months)	Maximum Training Time allowed in Level 1 Hospital (Months)	Maximum training time allowed in Secondment Hospital (Months)	Minimum training time in general & acute care medicine (Months)	Maximum training time of non-core training (can be replaced by additional core training) (Months)	Minimum training time in medical specialties (Months)
RACP	Adult Internal Medicine (AIM) - Basic Training	36		12	33	24	12	6	3	12	12
	Bundaberg Hospital		Level 1 Teaching Hospital allows up to 12 months of Basic Physician Training. An additional 6 months may be allowed if a trainee is seconded to a Level 1 Teaching Hospital from a Level 2 or Level 3 Teaching Hospital.				✓	✓	✓		
	Hervey Bay Hospital		Level 1 Teaching Hospital allows up to 12 months of Basic Physician Training. An additional 6 months may be allowed if a trainee is seconded to a Level 1 Teaching Hospital from a Level 2 or Level 3 Teaching Hospital.				✓	✓	✓		

Map your Basic Physician Training pathway in Wide Bay

In Queensland, there are 5 network rotations: Far North, North Queensland, Northside, Southside and Coastal. Both Wide Bay hospital facilities form part of the Southside Network Rotation. Hospitals in this rotation include **Bundaberg Hospital**, Greenslopes Hospital, **Hervey Bay Hospital**, Ipswich Hospital, Logan Hospital, Mater Hospital, Princess Alexandra Hospital, QEII Hospital, and Toowoomba Hospital.

The following tables provide example pathways for Adult Internal Medicine – Basic Physician Training in the Wide Bay region:

Bundaberg Base:		BASIC PHYSICIAN TRAINING - SOUTHERN ROTATION EXAMPLE			
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4		PGY5
Intern	RMO	Year 1	Year 2		Year 3
Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital	Bundaberg Hospital (Secondment from Level 3 Teaching Hospital)	Greenslopes Private Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital

Hervey Bay Base:		BASIC PHYSICIAN TRAINING - SOUTHERN ROTATION EXAMPLE			
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4		PGY5
Intern	RMO	Year 1	Year 2		Year 3
Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital	Hervey Bay Hospital (Secondment from Level 3 Teaching Hospital)	Mater Misericordiae Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital

Please note this example pathway provides maximum accredited time, secondment from a Level 3 teaching hospital would be dependent on the Network allocation processes.

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 April 2021. 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.

