



CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP)

To become a Clinical Haematologist, you will need to apply for fellowship with [The Royal Australasian College of Physicians](https://www.racp.edu.au). 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 equivalent) Advanced Training in Clinical Haematology.

Basic	Year 1	Adult Internal Medicine - Basic Training: 36 months (full time) consisting of:
Basic	Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 months (full time) core training (including 3 months general and acute care medicine and 12 months in medical specialties). • Maximum 12 months non-core training which can be replaced by additional core training.
Basic	Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 12 months at a Level 3 Teaching Hospital and at least 3 months outside of a Level 3 Teaching Hospital
Advanced	Year 4	Advanced Training in Clinical Haematology: 36 months (full time) consisting of:
Advanced	Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 months (full time) core clinical training • 6 months (full time) core laboratory training
Advanced	Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 months (full time) non-core training

Entry requirements/pre-requisites

Basic Training:

- 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 training network.

Advanced Training:

- Completion of RACP Basic Training (including written and clinical examinations) is a pre-requisite to commencing Advanced Training.
- Secured employment in an appropriate Advanced Training position.

Regional Training Hub Southern Queensland

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Useful contacts and links

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

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

Queensland Haematology Advanced Training Pathway: <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/employment/work-for-us/clinical/medical/recruitment/training/haematology>

Haematology Advanced Training Curriculum: <https://www.racp.edu.au/docs/default-source/default-document-library/clinical-haematology-at-curriculum.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

National Medical Workforce Factsheet: <https://hwd.health.gov.au/webapi/customer/documents/factsheets/2016/Physicians%20other.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](#).

To proceed to Advanced Training, applicants can secure an Advanced Training position at an accredited training site by applying through the [RMO campaign](#) to the [Queensland Haematology Advanced Training Pathway](#). Under this program, Queensland Health in conjunction with private facilities offers advanced training in Clinical Haematology, Laboratory Haematology, and combined Clinical and Laboratory Haematology.

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

Program requirements

Adult Internal Medicine Program Overview: <https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/basic-training/adult-internal-medicine>

Clinical Haematology Advanced Training Program Overview: <https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/advanced-training/advanced-training-programs/clinical-haematology>

Regional training opportunities in Southern Queensland

There is current accreditation for 1 Clinical Haematology registrar position in Toowoomba*.

***Position data valid as at October 2020.**

The following table outlines the training pathway and stages that the Toowoomba Hospital is accredited for:

COLLEGE	SPECIALTY	Total Training Time (Months)	Level Teaching Hospital	TRAINING PROGRAM							
				Minimum training time in Level 3 Hospital (Months)	Maximum training time allowed in Level 3 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	Level 2 Teaching Hospital - allows up to 24 months of Basic Physician Training. Trainees must spend the additional 12 months at a Level 3 Teaching Hospital	12	33	24	12	6	3	12	12
	Toowoomba Hospital					✓		✓		✓	

COLLEGE	SUB-SPECIALTY	Advanced Training Time (Months)	TRAINING PROGRAM			
			Maximum Training Time accredited for (Months)	Core Clinical Training (Months)	Core Laboratory Training (Months)	Non-Core Training (Months)
RACP	Haematology - Advanced Training	36		24	6	6
	Toowoomba Hospital		6	✓ (6 months)		

Map your Clinical Haematology training pathway in Southern Queensland

In Queensland, there are 9 accredited training facilities for Advanced Training in Clinical Haematology: Cairns Hospital, Gold Coast University Hospital, Greenslopes Private Hospital, Mater Hospital, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Sunshine Coast University Hospital, **Toowoomba Hospital** and Townsville University Hospital.

There are 8 accredited training facilities for Laboratory training: Australian Red Cross Blood Service, Gold Coast University Hospital, Mater Pathology, Pathology Queensland (Princess Alexandra Hospital), Pathology Queensland Central Laboratory (RBWH), QML Pathology, Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology and Townsville University Hospital.

The following table provides an example networked pathway from internship through to fellowship in the Southern Queensland region:

		BASIC PHYSICIAN TRAINING - SOUTHERN ROTATION EXAMPLE			ADVANCED TRAINING - CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY					
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4	PGY5	PGY6		PGY7		PGY8	
Intern	RMO	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
					Core Clinical Training	Core Clinical Training	Non-Core Training	Core Laboratory Training	Core Clinical Training	Core Clinical Training
Toowoomba Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Mater Hospital Laboratory	Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital

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