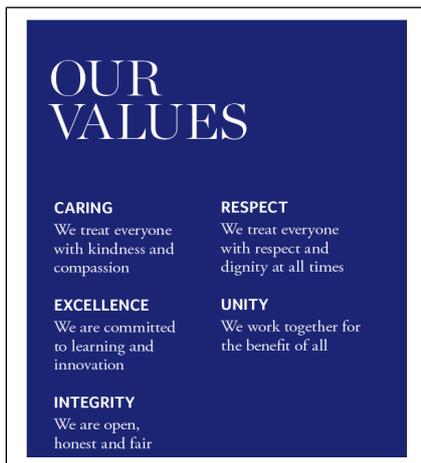


MELBOURNE HEALTH

2022 Geriatric Medicine Advanced Trainee Position Description

Position Title	Aged Care Registrar/Geriatric Medicine Advanced Trainee
Employment Type	Fixed term, Full time
Reports To	Unit Geriatrician, Director of Geriatric Medicine
Division	MCC Medicine and Community Care



The Royal Melbourne Hospital provides secondary, tertiary and quaternary services to the state of Victoria and some quaternary services to interstate. The hospital is one of two trauma services in the state. The Geriatric Medicine Service provides a consultative service at the city campus seeing approximately 1,200 referrals per year, as well as an acute aged care ward, orthogeriatric and traumageriatric services, and contributes to the acute hospital in the home (RMH@Home, acute) service. Subacute services based at Royal Park Campus include two GEM wards (including secure GEM unit with psychogeriatrics specialist care), home-based GEM (RMH@Home subacute), residential TCP, and home-based TCP.

Training in Geriatric Medicine at RMH

At the RMH we endeavour to meet the training needs of our registrars by tailoring the training programme to individual preferences while meeting the clinical needs of the hospital and community. The RMH offers comprehensive and integrated aged care services.

The Royal Melbourne Hospital offers a comprehensive, well-supported training program that aims to achieve a well-rounded training with experience in all the core areas of geriatrics expertise over two years. This allows the trainee to pursue a non-core year in their field of choice; the substantial research base at RMH provides good opportunities to pursue this, and opportunities for dual training such as general medicine, palliative care and other subspecialty programs.

The program offers 4 month rotations at The Royal Melbourne Hospital's two campuses, City and Royal Park. An RMO, a registrar and a Consultant Physician in Geriatric Medicine support each ward.

Training opportunities encompass the breadth of Geriatric Medicine, with rotations available in:

- Orthogeriatric and Traumageriatric Medicine
- Acute consultation and liaison roles
- Subacute care based in 2 GEM wards
- Acute Geriatric Medicine Ward

- Dementia and behaviour management in secure GEM ward,
- Community care including InReach, HITH and GEM at Home
- Transitional Care

All major Geriatric Medicine clinics are offered:

- Falls and Balance Clinic
- (CDAMS) Cognitive, Dementia and Memory Service
- Continence Clinic with Urodynamics
- Pain Management Clinic
- Perioperative Medicine Clinic
- Wound Management Clinic

Research opportunities are prominent at the RMH, with a strong research unit able to provide world-class supervision and support in research and training. There is excellent support for trainees to successfully meet their project requirements. The geriatrics service has an active and growing research program with a close relationship with the National Ageing Research Institute, support for geriatric registrar projects and the opportunity to pursue higher research degrees.

Supervision and mentoring is readily available and provided in a structured manner by motivated and supportive senior medical staff.

Teaching and learning opportunities are abundant, including:

- RMH is a major partner in the Western Training Alliance (together with Western Health, Barwon Health and Ballarat Health) of the Victorian Geriatric Medicine Training Programme (VGMTP) and trainees have protected time to attend the fortnightly state-wide VGMTP training sessions.
- There is also fortnightly protected training time (alternate to VGMTP sessions) for trainees to work on projects or other learning activities.
- Monthly educational activities include Journal Club, Clinical Presentations, Mortality and Morbidity Audits and Clinic Conundrums provide weekly education opportunities.
- Weekly NARI (National Aging Research Institute) Grand Round attendance is encouraged, with opportunities to present clinical and research interests.

In 2021 there will be full-time Accredited Positions in Advanced Training in Geriatric Medicine at RMH.

Rotations are 3 x 4 months each, with the training needs of the registrar taken into account in planning the year, particularly for those in their final year of training.

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Accredited training sites in Victoria are participating in the state-wide Victorian Geriatric Medicine Training Programme (VGMTP).

**** Advanced training positions will be appointed through the PMCV centralised match.**

**Applicants need to apply to BOTH Melbourne Health/RMH (via Melbourne Health recruitment) and The Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria who run the match –

<https://allocations/pmcv.com.au> Please see VGMTP website for further details –
<https://vgmtp.org/centralised-match.html>