# ALFRED HEALTH 2026 INTERN INFORMATION SESSION



# **Ms Amy Tran**

Recruitment Specialist, Medical Workforce

# Introduction & Session Overview







# **Acknowledgment of Country**

Alfred Health respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of this land, the people of the Kulin Nations. We pay our respect to their Elders, past and present. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing connection to land, skies and waterways.

### **Session Overview**

- Welcome
- Why Alfred Health?
- Information around the National Framework for Prevocational Medical Training (NFPMT)
- Intern Experience, Wellbeing & Education
- Rotations and career pathways
- Critical Care, Surgery, Psychiatry & Medical specialties
- Key changes to the PMCV Intern Match

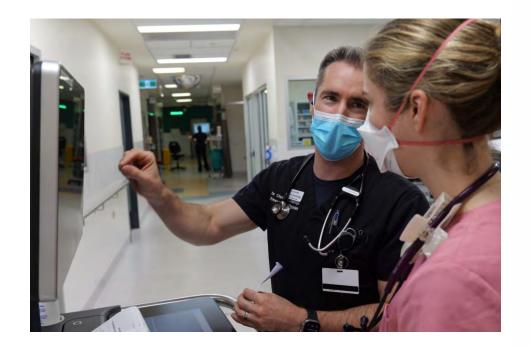


# **Career Pathways Virtual Discussions**

At the conclusion of the live session, please join the virtual discussion for your preferred career pathway by using the link you have received. You may attend multiple sessions and the links will also be provided in the chat.

The virtual discussions we have available are:

- Surgical
- Critical Care
- Medical & Psychiatry



# **Dr Tony Kambourakis**

**Chief Medical Officer,** 

**Alfred Health** 

# Welcome

### **About Alfred Health**

Alfred Health is one of Australia's leading healthcare services.

#### We have a dual role:

- Caring for more than 770,000 locals who live in Melbourne's innersouth; and
- Providing health services for Victorians experiencing the most acute and complex conditions through 18 statewide services.

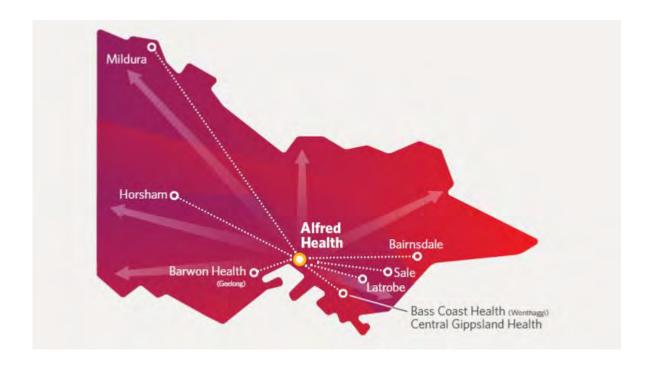
Our three hospital campuses – The Alfred, Caulfield Hospital and Sandringham Hospital – as well as numerous community-based clinics, provide lifesaving treatments, specialist and rehabilitation services through to accessible local healthcare.

We care for a wide range of people, from all age groups.



# Our purpose

To improve the lives of our patients and their families, our communities and humanity.



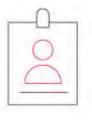
# **Highlights**



121,829

Emergency presentations

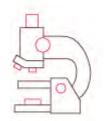
Specialist clinic appointments	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Face-to-face	132,042	200,031	219,697
Telehealth video	44,180	47,072	53,060
Telephone	88,849	35,684	38,765
Total activity	265,071	282,787	311,522



**11,424** Employees



**11,828** Planned surgeries performed from waiting list



**654** Clinical trials open



20,420 ICU occupied bed bays

# **Culture, education and training**

Wide variety of clinical experiences.

Excellent supervision and supportive culture.

Many training opportunities – over 40 specialist training programs.



# Dr Melissa Fitzgerald

Director of Prevocational Medical Education

**Specialist Physician in General Medicine** 

Why Alfred Health?
Prospective Interns 2026

### **Overview**

- 1. Who are we?
- 2. What do we do?
- 3. What does this mean for you?
- 4. What can we do for you?
- 5. The National Framework for Prevocational Medical Trainees (NFPMT)



### Who are we?

- One of Australia's leading healthcare service.
- Focus on the safety and wellbeing of staff and patients.
- Doctors in training are a vital component enabling us to deliver high quality patient care.













### What do we do?

#### National Service - Paediatric Lung Transplant Service

#### Statewide services provide specialist care for all Victorians

- Bariatric Service
- 2. Clinical Haematology Service and Haemophilia Service
- 3. Cystic Fibrosis Service
- 4. Emergency and Trauma Centre
- 5. Heart and Lung Transplant Service
- 6. Hyperbaric Medicine Service
- 7. Major Trauma Service
- 8. Malignant Haematology and Stem Cell
- 9. Problem Gambling and Mental Health Program
- 10. Psychiatric Intensive Care Service
- 11. Sexual Health Service
- 12. Specialist Rehabilitation Service
- 13. Victorian Adult Burns Service
- 14. Victorian ECMO Service
- 15. Victorian HIV/AIDS Service
- 16. Victorian Melanoma Service
- 17. Victorian Neuropathology Laboratory Service
- 18. Voluntary Assisted Dying Statewide Pharmacy Service

#### Clinical services

- Aged care
- · Allied health and nursing services
- Cancer care (BMT, radiotherapy, oncology, haematology, melanoma, cancer surgery)
- Cardiothoracic services (heart and lung transplantation, cardiology, cardiac surgery, cardiac rehabilitation, respiratory medicine, thoracic surgery, adult cystic fibrosis)
- Emergency medicine (intensive care, burns and adult major trauma)
- Ear, nose and throat
- Gastrointestinal (gastroenterology, gastrointestinal surgery)
- General medicine
- General surgery
- Neurosciences (neurology, neurosurgery, stroke services)
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedics
- End of life care (Palliative care, advanced care planning, VAD)
- Pathology (anatomical, clinical biochemistry, laboratory haematology, microbiology)
- Pharmacy
- Psychiatry (adult, child, adolescent, youth, aged)
- Radiology and nuclear medicine
- Rehabilitation (ABI, amputee, cardiac, spinal, neurological, orthopaedic, burns)
- Renal services (nephrology, haemodialysis, renal transplantation)
- Specialist medicine (asthma, allergy and clinical immunology, dermatology, endocrinology/diabetes, hyperbaric, infectious diseases, rheumatology)
- Specialist surgery (dental, faciomaxillary, plastic, vascular)
- Urology



## What does this mean for you?



#### New, minimally invasive epilepsy surgery is changing lives

7 April 2025

The Alfred is the first hospital in Victoria and the second in Australia to offer a new and highly effective kind of brain surgery to treat previously 'inoperable' drug-resistant epilepsy.

epilepsy neurosurgery patients



#### New imaging technology cuts treatment times for patients

Cancer patients undergoing radiation therapy at The Alfred are now experiencing shorter treatment times, thanks to the arrival of state-of-the-art imaging technology.

patients radiation therapy cancer



#### Artificial skin breakthrough for Melbourne patient

25 October 2024

In a first-of-its-kind adult case, a Melbourne man has had his burns repaired with bioengineered skin, decreasing his need for skin grafting and significantly reducing his risk of deadly infection.

patients clinical trials



#### Breakthrough joint replacement antibiotic study named Trial of the Year

20 May 2024

A study investigating how effective additional antibiotics are in the prevention of postjoint surgery infection, undertaken by Alfred Health and Monash University, has been awarded this year's prestigious Australian Clinical Trials Alliance (ACTA) Trial of the Yea...

clinical trials infectious diseases research & innovation

#### First in the world melanoma trial to breakthrough barriers

24 February 2023

A first in the world trial looking at new treatment options for patients with melanoma that has spread to the brain is set to commence at The Alfred, potentially helping patients add years to their lives.

The BETTER trial will investigate whether a specific unotherapy drugs and targeted



#### Melbourne dad saved by Australian-first trial

01 May 2023

second chance at life.

When 43-year-old Melbourne dad Mark Wohlers suffered a cardiac arrest last year, it was the swift emergency response and an Australian-first clinical trial that gave him a

The Alfred and Ambulance Victoria-led trial saw Mark placed on an advanced form of life support at the roadside - a technique commonly only offered in

- to take over the function of his



#### 'Heart in a box' now a proven gamechanger

21 April 2023

Two Alfred heart experts have today declared a new method of donor heart preservation a gamechanger for heart transplantation in Australia and New Zealand.

Presenting the findings of their two year study, Prof David Kaye and Prof David McGiffin have told the International Society for Heart and Lung



# What can we do for you?

#### 1. Safe and supportive culture with a focus on your wellbeing

- "Everyone I have worked with has been patient, generous with their time, and wants the best for their patient. I
  haven't had anyone rude, and I think that's reflective of the culture and great camaraderie at Alfred Health"
- "The consultants encourage you to ask questions all the time. You are very much a part of a team"

#### 2. Outstanding supervision

- "100% of your shifts you have great supervision" E.g. clinical supervisor, Term Supervisor, SIT, DPME, DCT, DMS
- "When I felt stressed, I had support, when I felt confident to push myself and upskill, I could, knowing no matter what, I had help readily available"

#### 3. Unparalleled clinical exposure during your internship

- "You get to experience some of the most unique areas of medicine as an intern."
- "How you preference your own rotations means you actually get rotations in specialties such as lung transplant, radiology, trauma, acute psychiatry"



# What can we do for you?

#### 4. Countless education opportunities

- "Intern teaching is weekly, protected and paid with topics relevant, engaging and lunch is provided. They also seek our feedback to make sure it is the best it can be. In addition, there is HMO education you can attend weekly and weekly unit specific education. We are always strongly encouraged to attend by our team."
- Wednesday 1.00-2.00pm- lunch provided, in person at The Alfred
- SH and CH in person education also provided and opportunity to log on remotely for The Alfred or view recordings
- Topics are mapped to a curriculum with consultants and fellows educating with a mix of lectures and practical skill sessions

#### 5. Professional development opportunities

- Including leadership, communication, deteriorating patient, suturing master classes, abdominal laparoscopic workshops, and family meeting workshops
- "The communication and deteriorating patient workshops are amazing! It made life on the wards so much easier."



#### 6. Amazing research opportunities in numerous areas

# What can we do for you?

#### 7. Career Progression

- Physician Program
- Prevocational Surgical Program
- Critical Care
- Psychiatry
- Other including Radiation Oncology, Dermatology, Radiology etc.
- Support if unknown

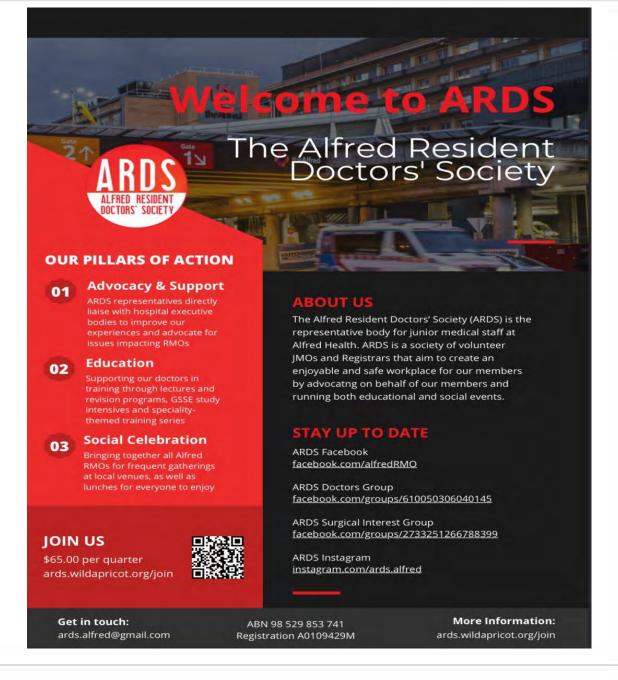


"The MEU and MWF are so approachable and involved. It makes transitioning from medical student to intern so much easier, and the one-on-one career chats are so helpful for deciding training pathways and your career."

# **Alfred Health JMS Society**

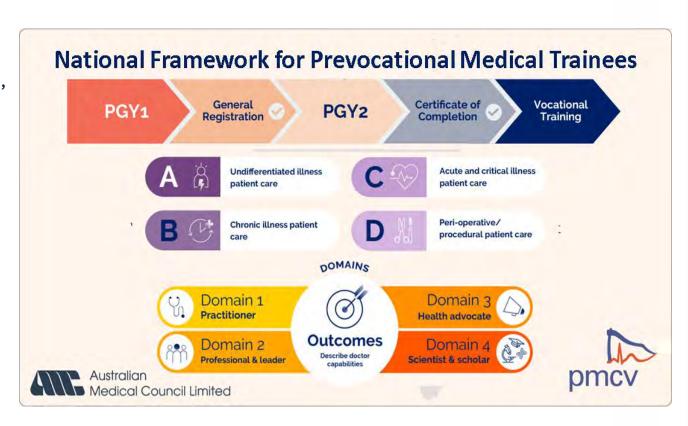
**Alfred Resident Doctors' Society** 

"Excellent social and networking opportunities"



# National Framework for Prevocational Medical Trainees (NFMPT)

- New in 2024 2-year PGY 1 + PGY 2 program
- Rotations based on clinical experiences (e.g. Acute, Chronic, Undifferentiated, no longer ED/Med/Surg)
- Beginning of term discussion
- Mid and end of term assessment competency based
- New Entrustable Professional Activities and eportfolio Clinical Learning Australia (2026)
- Alfred Health offer PGY2 and BPT1 places (concurrently obtain both NFMPT Certificate and BPT1)







# **Dr Nilesh Rohit**

**Current Alfred Health Intern** 

# The Intern Experience

# Why Alfred Health?















# Getting your head around the junior doctor life

#### Med student to Intern

- Increased responsibility
- Fully part of the team
- Trusted



#### What could be good to do now

- Procedures with supervision as much as possible
- Watch your interns closely, how do they prioritise/delegate/communicate
- Pay attention to short cuts

#### How to prepare

- Professionalism
- Reflection (strengths and weaknesses)

#### **General Advice**

- Ask x1000
- Be the person you want to work with (LEARN NAMES)

### The rollercoaster so far

#### **Emergency Department (Pretty acute)**

#### Benefits:

- Shift work, 4-day weeks (NO NIGHTS!)
- Clinically minded work at all times/great procedures if you engage
- Awesome team atmosphere

#### Challenges:

- Large ED/trauma unit, must be driven to experience higher acuity presentations
- Shift work

#### **Bethlehem Palliative Care (Not so acute)**

#### Benefits:

- Free parking/Salary packaging
- Rare presentations
- Mon-Fri hours

#### Challenges:

- Job prioritisation
- Confronting discussions/situations





### **GOOD LUCK!**

#### What I wish I knew before starting

- We are all human.
- The job is demanding but not impossible.
- You are ready for this.
- Many did this before you, many will do it after you.
- Traffic in Melbourne is terrible.



Wherever you end up will be the start of a new adventure.

# **Dr Laura Davies**

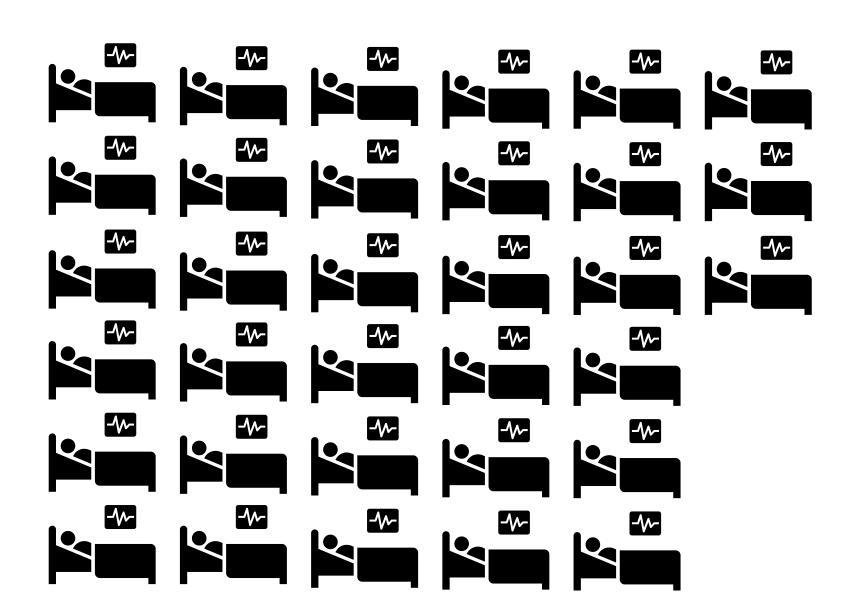
**Current Alfred Health Intern** 

# The Intern Experience

# Emergency & Trauma Centre

Prompt assessment and high-quality care.









### Reasons to come to Alfred Health



#### **Pharmacists**

The best thing that will ever happen to you



#### **Rotation variety**

• trauma, CAT psych, stroke, urology, vascular, radiology, dermatology



#### **Education**

- Protected teaching
- Teaching for HMOs



#### **Top-tier seniors**

- Horizontal hierarchy and mentoring
- Support of individual learning goals & research

# **Extras**



Surrounded by parks



New café area



Rooftop doctor's residence



Amazing bike lockers and car parking \$12/day



Other food options 2 min walk away

# **Tips before internship**

- Don't panic you'll figure it out when you get there
- Enjoy the break
- Practise differential lists





# **Dr Laura Scott**

Supervisor of Intern Training Emergency Physician Intern Health, Wellbeing and Junior Medical Staff Education

## What we'll cover

- Intern and HMO Medical Education
- Health and Wellbeing



<sup>\*</sup>Some distressing themes are discussed in the wellbeing section if you need to pause.

#### **Our Medical Education Team**

**Director of Medical Services (DMS)** 

Dr Anna Korin

**Director of Clinical Training (DCT)** 

A/Prof Laila Rotstein

**Director of Prevocational Medical Education (DPME)** 

Dr Melissa Fitzgerald

**Supervisor of Intern Training (SIT)** 

Dr Laura Scott

**Prevocational Surgical Supervisor** 

Mr Andrew Packiyanathan

**Director Medical Workforce** 

Jonathan Oldham

**Manager Learning and Development** 

Sarah Hill

**Medical Education Officers** 

Anthony Gibson Sarah Loschiavo

The Medical Education Team supports the learning, professional development and wellbeing of prevocational medical staff. We coordinate your orientation program, weekly education sessions and the provision of regular feedback from your supervisors.

## **Medical Education**

#### **Orientation Program**

#### **National Framework**

#### **Rotations**

- Liaison with Medical Workforce
- State Services

#### **Intern Education Program**

- Weekly
- Variety of topics relating to intern rotations/role
- Co-ordination of assessments
- Completion of intern year requirements

#### **HMO Education Program**

- Weekly
- Able to attend if clinical duties allow



#### **Medical Education**

#### Clinical skills workshops and simulation

- Suturing Masterclass
- Communication Skills Workshop
- Laparoscopic Workshop

#### Online learning modules

- Mandatory
- Recommended/General

#### Other education opportunities

• Each unit has its own education program

#### Feedback

- Regular formal feedback from your supervisor
- Regular feedback from you
- Supervisors are well supported to best support you

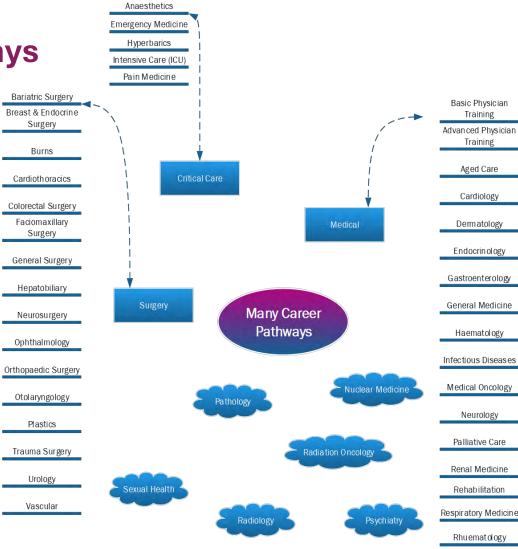


## **Beyond Internship at Alfred Health**

- Career counselling
- Career pathways and progression
- Research opportunities
- Teaching opportunities



## **Career Pathways**





...wherever & whatever you end up doing, we will be supportive



# The Juggle **Junior Doctor Wellbeing Service Provision**

## What you can expect

## A caring environment

- We take pride in our trainees & their achievements.
- We monitor rotations, workload & supports.

## Wellbeing resources

 Internal & external support networks.

## **Internal supports**

- Mentor program
- Consultant Mentors
- Supervisors in each unit
- SIT, DCT, DPME

## The reality of the job

Assault Death Hard to hear stories

High stress Professionalism Mental health

Hard work Abuse Poor health literacy

Violence and aggression Substance misuse Insecure housing

## The reality of the job

Connection Purpose Make a difference

High reward Professionalism Satisfaction

Support Training Joy

Teamwork Debrief Stimulation

## Doctor Wellbeing Resource 2025 va

#### AlfredHealth

For the most current information go to Alfred Health Connect: https://alfredhealthconnect.sharepoint.com/sites/AlfredHealth-Wellness

#### Lifeline

13 11 14

https://www.lifeline.org.au/

Provides Australians experiencing a personal crisis with free access to 24-hour crisis support and suicide prevention services.



#### **Australian Medical Association** (AMA) Peer Support Service 1300 853 338

https://amavic.com.au/article/need-to-talk-but-notsure-who-to-approach-contact-amay-s-peersupport-service

#### Support services offered:

Free, anonymous, and confidential support from a colleague regarding:

- · Stress and stressful incidents
- Personal issues
- Career plans
- · Other wellbeing concerns.



#### Alfred Health's

#### Peer Support Program

Click here to find a medical peer contact

Trained Alfred Health staff can provide confidential one-on-one assistance, virtually or in-person. Peer supporters focus on brief practical interventions. support, and links to professional help, if needed.



#### Assure

1800 808 374

https://assureprograms.com.au/

Alfred Health provides access to our Employee Assistance Program (EAP), provided by Assure.

Assure is a confidential counselling, coaching and wellbeing support service, led by specialists to assist you and your family at no cost.



#### Victorian Doctors Health Program (VDHP)

1300 330 543

www.vdhp.org.au

A free, confidential & anonymous service assisting doctors and their families with:

- · Stress and anxiety
- Substance use problems
- · Mental or physical health concerns
- Any other health issues



#### DRS4DRS

1300 374 377

https://www.drs4drs.com.au/

A confidential service, run by doctors, to support doctors' wellbeing. Online resources, counselling, referral services & help finding a GP.



#### Alfred Health Support

#### Medical Education

A/Prof Laila Rotstein

Director Clinical Training

#### Dr Melissa FitzGerald

Director Prevocational Medical Education

#### Dr Laura Scott

Supervisor Intern Training

#### Medical Education Unit

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#### **Medical Services**

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#### **Human Resources**

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hr@alfred.org.au

#### Organisational Development

Thérèse Christofas

Senior OD Consultant - Wellbeing Lead Contact via Switch

#### Finding Your Own GP

GP Liaison Officer 9076 2620

qp.liaison@alfred.org.au

#### Aboriginal Hospital Liaison Officers

AHLO SharePoint Page

0419 592 207

aboriginalhealth@alfred.org.au

(Mon-Fri 8:30am - 5:00pm)

#### Senior Medical Staff Association

Dr Annabel Orr

Contact via switch

#### Alfred Resident Doctors' Society

ards.alfred@gmail.com

#### Your Program Director. Unit Head and Supervisor

Various. Contact via switch.

#### Beyond Blue - Heads Up 1300 224 636

www.beyondblue.org.au/getsupport www.headsup.org.au/

Free, confidential, and anonymous enquires. Offers

information regarding support services to help with mental health at work.





#### Breastfeeding & Breast Milk **Expression Facilities**

24-hour access. Staff should check with the local NUM/NIC or COM/Nursing Supervisor (after-hours). Click here for more information.

Alfred: 6 West & Level 3, 541 St. Kilda Rd

Sandringham: F3 Ward

Caulfield: ABI Unit and Outside Ward AC3 MSHC: Rooms available, contact Claire Randall



Mrs Amy Murray Brooks
Operations Lead,
Medical Workforce

**2026 Intern Year, Rotations and Pathways** 

## **Our Rosters and Operations Team**

#### **Director Medical Workforce**

Jon Oldham

#### **Operations Manager**

Zoe Hume

#### **Rosters and Operations Specialists:**

- Amy Murray Brooks
- Dwight Cleur
- Ethan Delaney
- Natalie Fraraccio

#### Responsibilities:

- · General liaison and contact
- Allocations
- Leave
- Overtime
- Payroll
- Rostering



## **Positions**

- 74 positions\* available in 2026
- The Intern year is from 12/01/2026 10/01/2027 with intern contracts commencing from 05/01/2026 for orientation week
- Throughout your internship you will complete 5 rotations

Term	Start	Finish	No. of Weeks
Term 1	12/01/2026	22/03/2026	10
Term 2	23/03/2026	31/05/2026	10
Term 3	01/06/2026	09/08/2026	10
Term 4	10/08/2026	18/10/2026	10
Term 5	19/10/2026	10/01/2027	12

## **Rotations**

- 30 specialty rotations available\*
- Rotations at The Alfred, Caulfield, Sandringham, Bass Coast and Bethlehem Hospitals
- 88% of rotations based at The Alfred

Bethlehem - Palliative Care	General Surgery BES	Psychiatry - Ground Floor	
Burns	General Surgery CRS	Psychiatry - Level 1	
Cardiology	General Surgery HPB	Psychiatry - St Kilda Rd Clinic	
Caulfield Aged Care	General Surgery OGB	Radiology	
Dermatology	General Surgery Sandringham	Respiratory	
Emergency – Alfred/Bass Coast	Orthopaedics	Respiratory Transplant	
Gastroenterology	Psychiatry - ABI	Stroke/Neurology	
General Medicine - Alfred	Psychiatry - Aged Care	Trauma	
General Medicine - Sandringham	Psychiatry - Consultant Liaison	Urology	
General Surgery AGSU	Psychiatry - Emergency (CAT)	Vascular	



### **Allocation of rotations**

- 74 line rotation matrix constructed that incorporate the minimum internship requirements
- Terms are then grouped together based on career interests (including mixed lines)
- Interns rank each line from 1 74
- Allocations ranked on a 'best fits all' methodology
- Swaps are considered but require PMCV sign off prior to approval

	Rotation 1	Rotation 2	Rotation 3	Rotation 4	Rotation 5
38	GENERAL SURGERY - OGB	GMU ALFRED (AL 9&10) (4)	ED (AL wks 7&8)	ORTHOPAEDICS (4)	PSYCHIATRY ST KILDA RD CLINIC
39	GENERAL SURGERY - AGSU (1)	GMU ALFRED (5)	ED (AL wks 7&8)	ORTHOPAEDICS (5)	PSYCHIATRY ABI
40	GENERAL SURGERY - AGSU (2)	GMU ALFRED (6)	ED (AL wks 9&10)	UROLOGY	PSYCHIATRY AGED CARE
41	GENERAL SURGERY - AGSU (3)	GMU ALFRED (7)	ED (AL wks 9&10)	VASCULAR	PSYCHIATRY CL
42	GENERAL SURGERY - SANDRINGHAM (1)	GMU ALFRED (8)	ED (AL wks 9&10)	PSYCHIATRY ST KILDA RD CLINIC	GENERAL SURGERY - HPB
43	GENERAL SURGERY - SANDRINGHAM (2)	GMU ALFRED (9)	BCH ED 1	ORTHOPAEDICS (3)	DERMATOLOGY
44	DERMATOLOGY	GMU SANDRINGHAM (1)	BCH ED 2	PSYCHIATRY AGED CARE	ORTHOPAEDICS (3)
45	ORTHOPAEDICS (1)	GMU SANDRINGHAM (2)	BCH ED 3 / ALFRED-SANDY ED ??	PSYCHIATRY CL	CARDIOLOGY (2)
46	ORTHOPAEDICS (2)	GMU SANDRINGHAM (3)	PSYCHIATRY ST KILDA RD CLINIC	ED (AL wks 3&4)	GENERAL SURGERY - CRS (1)
47	ORTHOPAEDICS (3)	GMU SANDRINGHAM (4)	PSYCHIATRY ABI	ED (AL wks 3&4)	GENERAL SURGERY - CRS (2)
48	GENERAL SURGERY - SANDRINGHAM (3)	STROKE/NEUROLOGY	PSYCHIATRY AGED CARE	ED (AL wks 3&4)	GENERAL SURGERY - BES
49	ORTHOPAEDICS (4)	STROKE	PSYCHIATRY CL	ED (AL wks 5&6)	RADIOLOGY
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## **Progression of Training – PGY2+**

#### BPT1 (PGY2)

## ABI/RehabAged Care – Caulfield

- Emergency Sandringham
- Endocrinology
- Haematology
- Infectious Diseases
- Nights/Relieving
- Neurology
- Renal
- Respiratory

#### ABI/Rehab

- Anaesthetics
- GMU Bass Coast
- Burns
- Cardiology
- Cardiothoracics
- Emergency Alfred
- Emergency Sandringham
- ENT
- Faciomax
- General Surgery AGSU
- Geriatric Orthopaedics
- Geriatric Trauma
- ICU

#### **PGY2 General**

- Neurosurgery
- Nights/Relieving
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedics Alfred
- Orthopaedics Sandringham
- Peri-Operative Anaesthetics
- Plastics
- Psychiatry
- Radiation Oncology
- Trauma
- Urology
- Vascular

<sup>\*</sup>Rotations and positions available are subject to change

## **Progression of Training – PGY3+**

## PGY3 Critical Care (26 positions\*)

- Anaesthetics
- Emergency Department
- General Medicine
- Intensive Care Unit
- Trauma Surgery

## BPT2 + BPT3 (70 BPT positions\*)

- Aged Care
- Cardiology
- Gastroenterology
- General Medicine Unit
- Haematology
- Infectious Diseases
- Intensive Care Unit
- Medical Oncology
- Neurology
- Nights (Caulfield)
- Palliative Care
- Renal
- Respiratory
- Rheumatology

PGY3 Surgical + Unaccredited (37 PGY3\* + 14 unaccredited positions\*)

- Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Emergency Department
- ENT
- General Surgery: BES, CRS, HPB, OGB & AGSU
- Intensive Care Unit
- Neurosurgery
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Plastic Surgery
- Urology Surgery
- Vascular Surgery
- Trauma Service

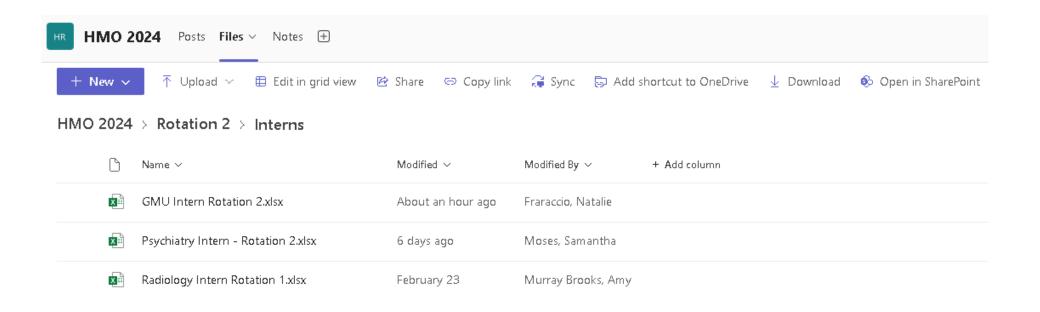
External rural rotations in General Medicine

External rural rotations in General Surgery & Orthopaedic Surgery

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#### Rosters

- No rostered night shifts
- Published four weeks prior to the commencement of each term on Microsoft Teams
- Email notification from MWU Roster and Operations Specialist with administrative orientation
- We accept roster requests

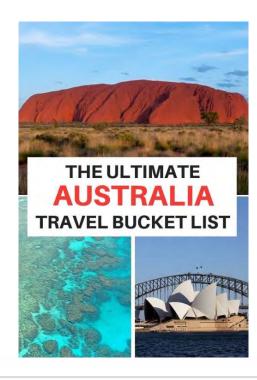


## **Annual Leave**

- Interns are allocated 5 weeks of annual leave per annum
  - 2 weeks within Alfred Emergency Department & Alfred General Medicine Terms (requested via allocations process)
  - 3 weeks either between the end of Intern year and commencement of HMO year or throughout the year







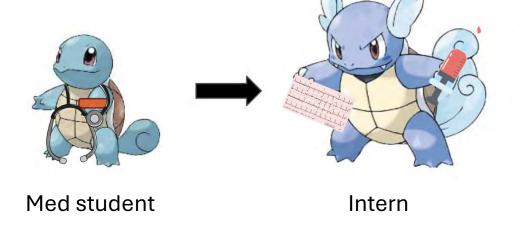




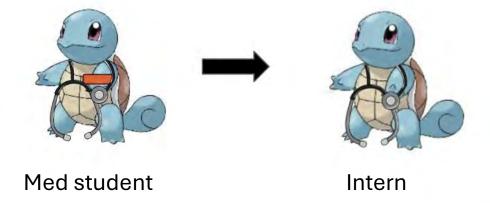
## **Dr Benjamin Townley Current Alfred Health PGY2**

# My Intern Year at Alfred Health

- Make the most of the support
- Reflect on the variety in experience
- Develop critical thinking skills



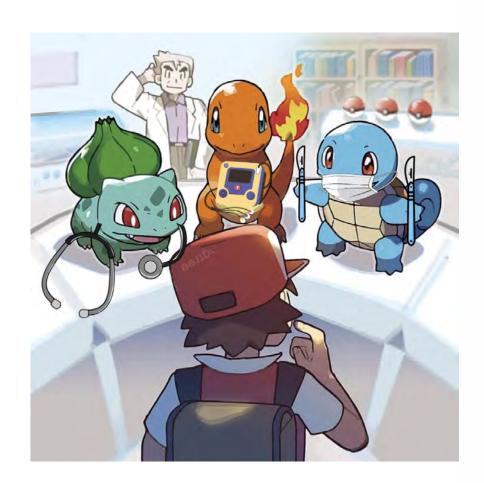
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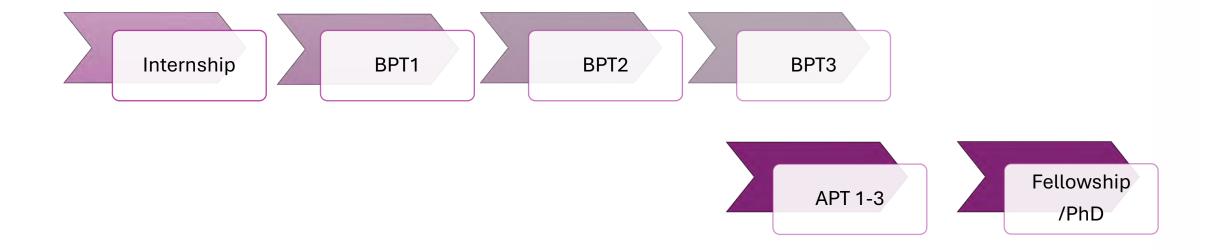


## A/Prof Anne Powell

Director of Physician
Education, Alfred Health
Rheumatologist &
General Physician

## **Medical Pathway**

#### **Overview**



- General Practice
- Paediatrics
- Dermatology
- Medical Administration
- Psychiatry
- Critical Care\*\*
- Radiation Oncology
- Emergency Medicine\*\*

Internship (PGY1)

PGY2+/-BPT1

BPT2

BPT3

APT 1-3

Fellowship /PhD



- Cardiology
- Respiratory & Sleep
- Gastroenterology
- Neurology
- Haematology
- Geriatric Medicine

- Rheumatology
- Infectious diseases
- Endocrinology
- Oncology
- Palliative care
- Nephrology

- General & Acute Care Medicine
- Clinical pharmacology
- Addiction medicine
- Immunology & Allergy
- Nuclear Medicine\*



#### **Training opportunities**

#### **General aspects**

- Educational supervisor/mentor (linked to area of interest)
- Advanced life support training
- Research opportunities within area of interest
- Significant supports with 4 Directors of Physician Education and 1 full time administrator and one senior education registrar

#### BPT1

- Weekly education sessions
  - Medical emergencies
  - Clinical skills sessions
  - > Overview of subspecialty medicine
- Research training & publication/CV building opportunities



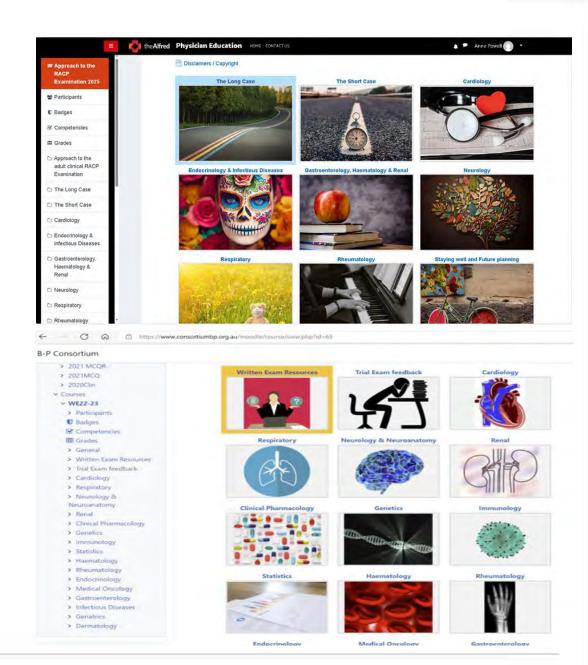
#### **Training opportunities**

#### BPT2

- Wednesday afternoon lecture series to prepare for written examination
- Written examination preparation course and online modules
- 5 Trial examination papers and feedback sessions and a large pool of online question banks
- 2 weeks conference leave to attend written examination course

#### BPT3

- Wednesday afternoon dedicated paid training time (only health service to offer)
- Program of short and long case preparation tutorials
- High pass rate in examination results (26/27 95% written exam 2024; 28/32 88% written exam 2025. 2/2 100% October written exam; clinicals 2024 34/36 94% with 100% 2nd time sitters supported and passing).
- Consistently high rates of success in obtaining desired APT training program in first year





## **Dr Eleanor Junckerstorff**

**ED Deputy Director,** 

**Workforce and Education** 

**Emergency Physician** 

## **Critical Care Pathway**

## **Critical Care Pathways**

#### What is Critical Care at Alfred Health?

- Emergency Medicine
- Intensive Care
- Anaesthesiology
- Trauma



# **Prevocational Years**

- Experience and Exposure
- Ongoing Learning
- Develop Leadership and
- Followership Skills
- Build Relationships
- Gather References
- Expand your Interests



# **Alfred Health Critical Care Departments**

Amazing Opportunities to see and care for patients you will not see anywhere else (with world experts in many fields leading, teaching and supporting you)

Alfred Emergency Department - unique and complex adult patient cohort

Sandringham Emergency Department - paediatrics and O&G experience. Same consultants working across both with high research output and extensive global health engagement.

Intensive Care Unit - State of the art ICU, world leaders in many fields, Victorian ECMO service.

Huge Anaesthetics Department supporting our ED, ICU, Trauma and Surgical Specialty Units.

Trauma Unit - multidisciplinary department at the cutting edge of trauma care.



# **PGY3 Critical Care Rotations and Beyond**

- Anaesthetics
- ICU
- Emergency Medicine
- Trauma
- General Medicine
- Relieving



# **Critical Care Pathways at Alfred Health**

#### What we are proud of:

- We deliver exceptional patient care
- We are a team
- We have strong relationships between critical care disciplines
- We remember what it was like to be a junior doctor
- We are invested in your professional development and wellbeing
- Supported by our leaders and AMAZING MWU







# **Dr Laura Blair-West**

**Principal Psychiatry Registrar** 

# **Psychiatry Pathway**

My Journey

Prevocational training opportunities in psychiatry

Psychiatry training at Alfred Health / AMAH

# **My Journey**

#### 1. Medical School

- Monash undergraduate
- BMedSc MAPrc

#### 2. Internship

IPU rotation

#### 3. Psychiatry HMO

- 6 months IPU
- 6 months community

#### 4. Psychiatry Training

- Basic training (IPU, community, CL, child/adolescent)
- 'Elective' rotations (MSTS, forensic psychiatry)
- Advanced training (CL, including perinatal rotation)
- Family planning (full-time, parental leave, part-time)
- Principal registrar (leadership, mentoring, advocacy)

#### Why psychiatry?

- Diverse, dynamic, fascinating never dull
- Patient-centred, recovery-oriented care meaningful, rewarding
- Collaborative MDT
- Growing need / funding plenty of work

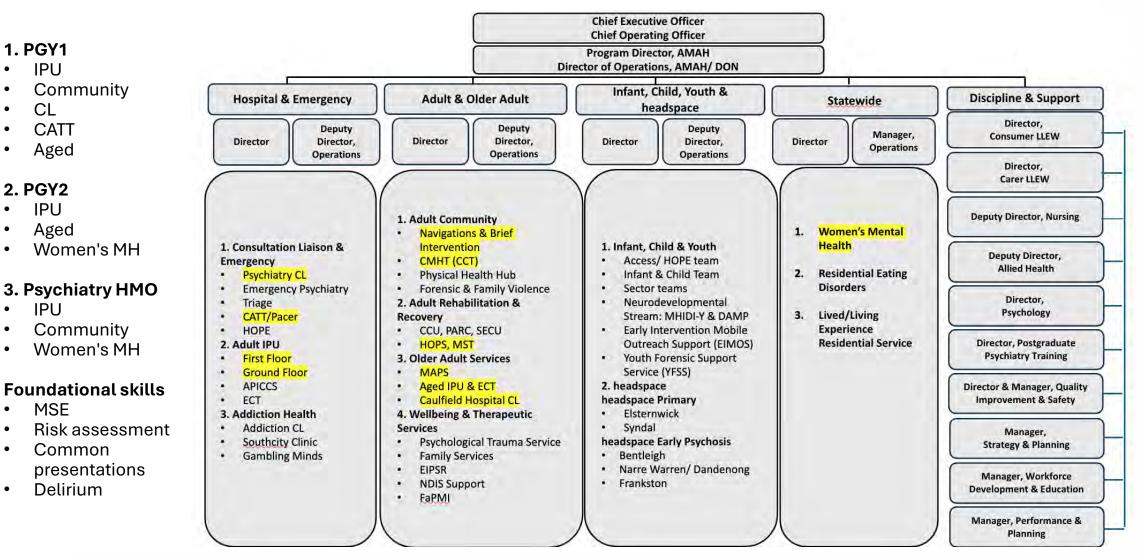








# Prevocational training opportunities at Alfred Health





# Psychiatry training at Alfred Health / AMAH

#### Why Alfred Health?

- Big team (~66 JMS)
- Diverse rotations
- Established AT programs
- Amazing teaching / exams prep
- Leadership opportunities
- Mentorship, peer support

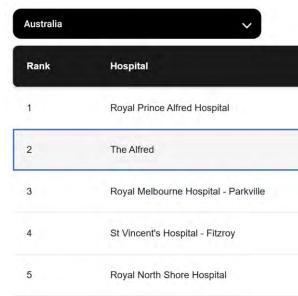
Stage	Year	What happens
1	1	Adult IPU Adult Community
2	2,3	CL Child/adolescent 2 others +/- Summative assessments
3	4,5 6+	Choose your own adventure Default = general adult psychiatry, unless you choose AT Summative assessments

Mr Andrew Packiyanathan
Supervisor of Prevocational
Surgical Training
General Surgeon

# **Surgical Pathway**

## Newsweek 2025





- Highest ranked in Victoria
- Melbourne has better coffee than Sydney (and culture and sports and cuisine)
- The Alfred has a small hospital feel and people get to know you by name



# **Embrace the Lifestyle**

- Junior Drs are well supported
- Being thrown in the deep end may sound heroic but it's not fun
- *No nights* as an intern
- **No rural or regional rotations**, Sandringham is as far as you'll go and that's near the beach
- Bayside Health (working title) in progress
- Inner city lifestyle
- Cafes / restaurants / pubs
- Sporting events
- Easy access to the city on Friday nights













## **On a Serious Note**

- "CAN DO" attitude
- Full complement of surgical specialties that offers great exposure for junior staff
- "No one dies at Alfred"; thanks to our ECMO service!
- Trauma
- Burns
- Hyperbaric
- Cardiac Transplant
- Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery
- ICU (largest in the state)





## **Our Vision and Our Culture**

- History of excellence in surgical education and training
- We are committed to delivering the best prevocational surgical training program in the state
- Our trainees consistently enter RACS training programs
  - ➤ 4 out of 5 trainees in general surgery 2024.
  - > 3 applicants this year.

#### 1. Supervision

- Appropriate supervisor
- Listening to feedback
- Orientation unit checklist (pilot)

# 3. Professional Development

- Research
- CV building
- Career counselling

#### 2. Education

- Tuesday attendance 12:00-1:00pm
- Unit specific tutorials
- Theatre time
- Simulation and skills training

#### 4. Wellbeing

 Mentor Program – registrars / consultant

# **Our Vision and Our Culture**

- Our consultants have been juniors at the Alfred
- We aim to retain our residents (when selected into RACS training programs)
- We strive to look after and retain our doctors!



# **Our Vision and Our Culture**



Come to The Alfred for surgical training!



Ms Amy Tran
Recruitment Specialist,
Medical Workforce

# Intern Recruitment Process

#### **Our Medical Workforce Recruitment Team**

**Director of Medical Workforce** 

Jonathan Oldham

**Recruitment Lead** 

Samantha Thomas

Recruitment Administrator, Senior Medical Staff (SMS)

Vanessa Artale

**Manager Recruitment and Workforce Services** 

Fatima El Souki

Recruitment Specialist, Junior Medical Staff (JMS)

Amy Tran

Recruitment Specialist, Junior Medical Staff (JMS)

Natasha Filippone

Recruitment Administrator, Junior Medical Staff (JMS)

**Emily Lam** 

The Medical Workforce Recruitment Team manages all the administrative aspects of medical staff appointments including recruitment and on-boarding, employment contract, credentialing and coordination of visa sponsorship and AHPRA application of international medical staff.



# **Key Changes**

- The Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria (PMCV) Intern Match algorithm is now an optimised ballot.
- Restructuring of Victorian Intern Allocation (VIA) Groups.
- Candidates will be required to preference all 27 health services/intern training programs.
- Please ensure you read the PMCV's Intern Match Information/Guide for further details.

# **Key Changes**

Eligibility Groups	Eligibility Criteria
VIA Group 1	<ul> <li>Graduates from an Australian university identifying as Aboriginal or Torres Straight Islander.</li> <li>Australian citizen or permanent resident and New Zealand citizens graduating from a Victorian medical school.</li> </ul>
VIA Group 2	<ul> <li>Australian temporary residents graduating from a Victorian university.</li> <li>Australian citizens or permanent residents and New Zealand citizens graduating from an interstate university who completed their year 12 schooling in Victoria.</li> </ul>
VIA Group 3	<ul> <li>Australian citizens or permanent residents and New Zealand citizens graduating from an interstate or New Zealand university.</li> <li>Australian temporary residents graduating from an interstate university.</li> <li>New Zealand temporary resident graduating from a New Zealand university.</li> </ul>
VIA Group 4	<ul> <li>Graduates from an overseas campus of an Australian/New Zealand university accredited by the Australian Medical Council (i.e. Monash University, Malaysia or Ochsner).</li> </ul>

## **PMCV Intern Match Key Dates**

6 May - 5 Jun 2025	Application period
6 - 8 Jun 2025	PMCV video interviews – VRPA and VIA Group 4 candidates only
16 - 31 Jul 2025	First offer period
14 Aug – 4 Sep 2025	Second offer period
18 Sep - 16 Oct 2025	Third (final) offer period
12 Jan 2026	2026 Intern start date



# **Pre-employment and Onboarding Processes**

- We'll be in direct contact with next steps.
- Completing a national police check and onboarding ASAP.
- Two-year contracts offered.
- Five days of paid intern orientation will commence from 05 Jan 2026.



# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### How do I guarantee an internship position at Alfred Health?

The PMCV match algorithm is an optimised ballot so, there are no guarantees. You can increase your chances by ranking us '1' as your most preferred health service in your PMCV application if eligible.

#### Are mid-year internship positions available?

All our positions are allocated for a January commencement date.

#### How many positions are available to VIA Group 4 candidates?

The numbers are dependent on the VIA Group 1-3 match allocations. PMCV will conduct further offer periods as per the key dates which can be found on the PMCV website.

#### Are part-time positions available?

Yes, there are flexible working arrangements and PMCV have guidelines around this.

Please contact our Medical Recruitment team at <a href="medicalrecruitment@alfred.org.au">medicalrecruitment@alfred.org.au</a> for any other queries



# Join us at Alfred Health

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Thank you for your time and we wish you all the best!