

Surgical Wards 2H & 2I

Logan Hospital

Graduate Nursing Program

Overview

Are you a graduate nurse eager to begin your career in a dynamic, supportive environment? The Surgical Wards invite you to join our team where we believe civility and respect is everyone's business.

Staff on our units are committed to providing quality service via a multidisciplinary and person-centred care approach, resulting in optimal patient outcomes. We believe all staff are of equal importance, and everyone has an essential function within our unit.

As a graduate nurse, on the Surgical Wards, you will gain hands-on experience and grow your skills alongside our highly experienced nurses.

Benefits of undertaking a graduate program on the Surgical Wards

- **Professional Growth:** Work with experienced nurses who are dedicated to mentorship and professional development.
- **On Going Training:** Access to latest surgical technologies and ongoing education and training opportunities.
- **Supportive Environment:** Be part of a team that values collaboration, compassion, and continuous improvement.
- **Broad Experience:** From pre-operative to post-operative care specialising in general surgical, orthopaedic, colorectal, gynaecological and ears nose and throat.



2025 Graduate Program Overview

The Surgical Wards Graduate Nursing Program includes:

- Four-day orientation
- Three supernumerary shifts
- Transition Support Packages with Introduction to Pain as mandatory
- Four study days including Quality Initiative, Insight Program
- Unit based Clinical Coaches and Clinical Facilitator for at-the-elbow support
- Graduate Clinical Facilitators, roaming
- Surgical Wards rotation

Clinical Skills:

- Critical thinking prioritisation
- Traction and external fixation
- Complex dressings and negative pressure wound therapy management
- Stoma management
- Surgical drain management
- Patient Controlled Analgesia
- CVAD management
- Tracheostomy management
- Intercostal catheters and High Flow
- Complex IV infusions
- Nasogastric tube management

Testimonials

Shelley Haydon

Nurse Manager Clinical Governance & Improvement (Inpatient Units & ICU) | Logan Hospital

I was a graduate in 2H in 2005. My graduate year in 2H has remained my favourite year of nursing. The staff are a strong team that is more like family and regardless of all the changes over the years the core values of 2H has been retained. The diverse clinical exposure and learnings I gained from my time in 2H have followed me into other roles. 2H has a way of capturing your nursing heart. Walking into 2H always feels like returning home.



Past Surgical Ward graduates are now working as

- Assistant Director of Nursing – Internal Medicine
- Director of Nursing – Women’s and Children’s
- Clinical Nurse / Clinical Facilitator
- Team Leader & Registered Nurse
- Patient Flow Nurse Manager
- Clinical Nurse Consultant
- Nurse Unit Manager
- Resuscitation Clinical Nurse
- Perioperative Nurse
- Nurse Educator / Nurse Manager
- Intensive Care Unit Nurse

Metro South Hospital Initiatives



Testimonials

Jack Ni

Registered Nurse | Operating Suite Main | PA Hospital
From a 2020 21 grad, don't be afraid of learning curves, always reflect on your experiences. Expose yourself to different roles, don't take the path of least resistance. In your role, train to be critical thinkers, act in the best interest of the patient, your team, and your wellbeing. Stay humble, stay curious and enjoy the journey.

Tinika Lewin

Clinical Nurse Patient Safety | Clinical Governance Support
Entering the surgical ward as a graduate registered nurse was both exhilarating and challenging - topping it off with the first wave of COVID-19. From day one, I was immersed in a fast-paced environment where every decision counted, and every moment demanded attention to detail.

Each day brought opportunities to learn and grow, from mastering complex procedures to honing communication skills with patients and the multidisciplinary team. Despite the occasional overwhelm, there's a sense of fulfillment in knowing that I made a tangible difference in the lives of others. ❤️

Mundeep Clarris

A/Midwifery Nursing Director | Women's & Children's Division | Logan Hospital

I completed my surgical placement in 2H for three weeks in 2002 and was successful in a graduate position in 2003. It was an amazing year of great opportunities, learning and growth.

Tahlia Linehan

Resuscitation Clinical Nurse | Surgical & Critical Care Service | Logan Hospital

I was a graduate nurse on Ward 2H in 2018. I thoroughly enjoyed my time on 2H and gained invaluable knowledge and experience that enabled me to build a solid foundation as new graduate nurse that I have taken with me throughout my career. The staff were incredibly supportive, and I have gained life-long friends from my time on the ward.

Nicole Wypych

A/Clinical Nurse Consultant | Ward 2H | Logan Hospital

Throughout my graduate year on Ward 2H I gained many valuable skills and surgical competencies that have created a solid foundation for my nursing practice today. The staff on the ward created an encouraging and supportive environment through a team nursing model approach. I will always be grateful for the patience and guidance I received.