

Logan and Beaudesert Hospitals
Paediatrics

Graduate Nurse Program

Hospital overview

Logan Hospital is the major health centre for the Logan region—one of the fastest growing, and most culturally diverse, regions in Queensland. Our emergency department is one of the busiest in the state. With a \$1 billion expansion program underway, you'll have all the benefits of working for a big, metropolitan hospital—while being part of a 'small town' team that values who you are and what you do.

Logan Hospital is:

- Part of a wider network—You'll have all the benefits of working for Queensland's world-class public health system including generous pay and salary packaging.
- A digital hospital—Clinicians have access to real-time patient information through digital workstations and high-tech patient monitoring devices.
- A place of opportunity—We want to empower you to build a long-term career at Logan Hospital, with countless opportunities to learn and grow.
- Ideally located—Make the most of Queensland's laid-back lifestyle with easy transport links to both Brisbane and the Gold Coast.

As a nurse or midwife at Logan Hospital, you can expect:

- a strong professional practice framework, with a focus on safety, culture and teamwork
- modern and technologically advanced facilities with a fully digital health record
- a broad range of specialty services for both adults and children
- an organisation recognised internationally for nursing and midwifery excellence through the Pathway to Excellence Program.

Program overview

Our graduate program promotes the development of confidence in clinical practice through provision of structured clinical learning and exposure. New graduate nurses will gain experience in a wide range of specialities within paediatric care including medical,

surgical, oncology, metabolic and palliative care patients and their families.

We believe in creating an optimal learning environment for our new graduates, promoting opportunities to progress practice and support career development.

New graduates will be provided with a structured and supportive program, coordinated by a nurse educator, designed to enable a smooth integration into paediatric practice.

Transition program

Transition is a suite of blended learning programs for nurses comprising of theoretical learning and practical learning undertaken in the clinical setting for a specialty area of practice.

The Acute Paediatric Transition program offers a structured 12-month process through which core knowledge and skills are developed. Successful completion of all requirements enabling articulation to tertiary credit to many post-graduate programs.

Graduate opportunities

Graduates will be given the opportunity to rotate between two diverse, yet equally rewarding and challenging paediatric areas.



Graduates can complete a 12-month placement in the Children Inpatient Unit (CIU) or a rotation between the Children's Inpatient Unit and either the Children's Emergency Department or the Special Care Nursery (SCN) unit.

- Children's Emergency Department will provide initial assessment, resuscitation, stabilisation and management of children. This includes managing trauma and life-threatening emergencies, early intervention and treatment of complex injuries and medical issues, and those in acute crisis.
- CIU provides ongoing diagnosis and treatment for children with injuries or disorders for a wide range of conditions.
- Special Care Nursery provides care to infants requiring specialised care which exceeds that of the maternity units (more information can be found on the SCN brochure).
- Our goal is to collaborate with a wide range of healthcare partners, including families, to deliver the highest quality patient and family-centred care.

Unit information

The CIU is a purpose-built paediatric ward with a total of 27 beds, a children's playroom, teenage retreat, parent facilities, specialised allied health services, and child protection.

The aim of the CIU is to provide holistic, evidenced based and coordinated care, which is child and family centred, for paediatric patients within the Logan Hospital catchment area. A multidisciplinary team will provide this care. The team will strive to achieve optimal outcomes for their patients and families

Models of care

The model of care developed for the children's ward acknowledges and supports the contribution that the family make in a child's wellbeing and recovery. In helping to promote this philosophy, CIU will support and assist parents to participate in care, stay with their children and provides access to education and support.

Services

The CIU provides inpatient hospital care for infants and children up to 16 years of age. Services include:

- Paediatric medical conditions
- A broad range of surgical procedures such as general, orthopaedic, ENT and oral surgery
- MRI scans
- Audiology testing under sedation
- Outreach oncology services
- Chemotherapy and palliative care services



Program benefits

- A structured graduate nurse program that will assist you to transition from novice graduate nurse to a confident and skilled practitioner.
- The provision of education and support needed to build an enriching and rewarding professional career.
- Joining an organisation that is internationally recognised for nursing excellence and developing leaders of the future.
- A supportive clinical and educational environment that promotes competence and confidence in clinical practice.
- Diverse clinical specialties from which to choose.
- Multiple career development pathways with opportunities to progress and achieve your future nursing career goals.

More information

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