



Princess Alexandra Hospital
Division of Cancer Services (DOCS)

Graduate Nurse Program

Hospital overview

Princess Alexandra Hospital (PAH) is a large 780 bed tertiary health care centre, providing care in most major adult specialties.

- We are one of Australia's leading academic and research health centres.
- Our nursing excellence is internationally recognised, and we are the only hospital in Queensland that has prestigiously been formally recognised as a Magnet organisation since 2004 by the *ANCC Magnet Recognition Program*[®].
- Continued Magnet Recognition ultimately recognizes excellence in the practice of our 2,400 nurses, the delivery of high-quality care, support for personal and professional development, the supportive team environment and the commitment and passion to safe person-centred care.

Structured rotational 12-month program

DOCS graduate program will transition graduate novice nurse to proficient cancer clinician through:

- Educational opportunities and quality support which increases and improves knowledge.
- Critical thinking and a passion for life-long learning.
- Rotation through Ward 2E and ambulatory setting.
- Opportunities to gain experience in radiation oncology, clinical trials and outpatient specialties.
- Support by a dedicated education team and preceptors.
- Clinical skill development.
- Opportunities to present at symposiums.
- Professional development portfolios.
- Opportunities to participate and lead quality improvement projects.

Division information

DOCS is a busy and dynamic environment consisting of ambulatory and inpatient settings providing high quality patient-focused care to patients with complex needs.

- 29-bed inpatient ward provides specialised care for patients with haematological and oncological cancers.
- Day care having greater than 25,000 occasions of service (OOS) per annum.
- Radiation oncology greater than 48,000 OOS.
- Participating in over 400 clinical trials.
- Specialist outpatient clinics and Gamma Knife service.
- Invests in advanced practice and culture of learning.

Hospital Initiatives

- Magnet[®]
- Planetree
- Commitment to Reconciliation
- Digital Hospital



Program benefits

- 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.

- 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.



Opportunity snapshot within DOCS

- Assessment, management and education of patients with cancer.
- Central venous access device (CVAD) management.
- Blood management.
- Identifying and managing common oncological emergencies.
- Care and management of patient undergoing bone marrow aspirate and trephine (BMAT).
- Pain management and end of life care.
- Working towards capability in the administration of chemotherapy and other systemic therapies pertinent to cancer care.

More information

Visit metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au and search “graduate programs”.