

| TRAINING SITE   |   |
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| NAME: <b>Austin Health, Melbourne: (The Austin Hospital, Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital (Repat) and Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre)</b>   |   |
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| Description of Service  |   |
| <p><b>STAFF:</b><br/>Approximately 8 EFT Consultant Medical Staff. Full range of nursing and allied health staff.</p> <p><b>PROGRAM:</b><br/>The Austin Health registrar training program is run in conjunction with Northern Health and Bendigo Health, with registrars rotating through positions across health services – this page should therefore be read in conjunction with the Northern Health, and Bendigo Health’s page. The positions at all sites offer excellent training opportunities with a broad range of aged care experience including acute aged care (acute Geriatric medical Unit, sub-acute in-patient care including GEM rehabilitation, specialist clinics and community assessment and management). Building on the success of our local training program which has been running for over two decades, registrars now attend the fortnightly education sessions of the Victorian Geriatric Medicine Training Program together with various local training activities. Senior medical staff are available to support registrars and to supervise all aspects of training. With potentially up to 14 registrars in the program and 1 fellow, there is also ready access to peer support and advice. Research activities are encouraged. We have a large research unit and strong links to the National Ageing Research Unit (NARI) and several registrars have gone on to gain higher degrees. There is opportunity for a fellow position attached to the research unit</p> <p>In 2021 the Northern Training Alliance FIGM will be based at Austin Health.</p> |   |
| DEMOGRAPHICS  |   |
| <p><b>Number / type of Geriatric Beds (Repat):</b><br/>85 sub-acute (Geriatric Evaluation and Management and Aged Care Rehabilitation) beds<br/>8 beds for assessment and management of those with challenging behaviours<br/>Approximately 30 beds in local residential care facilities as part of post-discharge Transition Care Program, Approx 25 community transition care beds<br/>Orthogeriatric Service (Austin Hospital)</p>   | <p><b>Specialty Clinics (all at Repat):</b><br/>Memory (CDAMS)<br/>Falls and Balance<br/>Continence<br/>Wound Management<br/>General Geriatric / ACAS</p>   |
| <p><b>Aged Care Consultancy Services:</b><br/>To Austin Hospital</p>  | <p><b>Domiciliary Assessments:</b><br/>ACAS visits as part of Heidelberg ACAS (based at Repat)</p>  |
| <p><b>Outpatient clinics/Day Hospital (Repat):</b><br/>General aged care outpatients &amp; Rapid access clinic</p>  |   |



| <b>FORMAL TRAINING</b>   |  |
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| <b>Lectures / Seminars:</b><br>3 hours every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday, formal session as part of Victorian Geriatric Medicine Training Program<br>Local training afternoons (with registrars from across the alliance) approximately 6 per year  | <b>Journal Club:</b><br>Monthly – rotating between Repatriation Hospital and Bundoora Extended Care Centre   |
| <b>Grand Rounds:</b><br>General Medicine weekly at Austin<br>Aged Care clinical meetings weekly (Repat / via teams).   | <b>Consult Rounds:</b><br>Acute hospital consult rounds daily at Austin Hospital   |
| <b>Other Specialty Links:</b><br>Neurology, Rehabilitation, Aged Care Psychiatry   | <b>Training Time</b><br>Guaranteed training time, no clinical duties rostered  |
| <b>INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE</b>  |  |
| <b>Library:</b> Excellent library at the Austin Hospital, with extensive range of journals on-line or in hard copy and access to both the Clinician's Health Channel and Up To Date.   | <b>IT:</b> Well supported computer network. Ward and office access to computers with Internet, email and online medical information databases available.                                   |
| <b>Research:</b><br>The Medical and Cognitive Research Unit (MCRU) – links with Memory Service. Offers opportunities for registrars wishing to undertake projects with a view to an MD or PhD. A number of Advanced Trainees have also done dementia related research with the Department of Nuclear Medicine in the area of PET imaging in cognitive disorders.   | <b>Quality Assurance:</b><br>Active program in Aged Care and Residential Services – all registrars encouraged to undertake Quality activities. Regular Aged Care Mortality Audit at Repat. |
| <b>TRAINEE RESPONSIBILITIES</b>  |  |
| <b>Positions:</b><br><b>Repat:</b><br>Registrar 1 (Ortho GEM): 28 bed sub-acute ward, aged care outpatients, ACAS assessments<br>Registrar 2 (Neuro GEM): 28 bed sub-acute ward, aged care outpatients, Continence Clinic<br>Registrar 3 (Dementia specific): 24 bed sub-acute ward, aged care outpatients, Falls and Balance Clinic<br><b>Austin:</b><br>Registrar 1: 24 bed ward, Aged Care consultancy service, Memory Clinic<br>Registrar 2: Aged Care consultancy service, Memory Clinic, Wound Clinic<br>Registrar 3: Orthogeriatric Unit – peri-operative care of hip fracture patients<br>Registrar 4: Residential in-reach<br>Cross Campus Fellow in Geriatric Medicine |  |
| <b>Coverage Roster:</b><br>Generally 1 in 4 weekend cover at Repat / Royal Talbot – covering registrar is expected to attend wards on Saturday mornings (4 hours typically)  | <b>Ward responsibilities/workload:</b><br>For inpatient positions - 20-28 inpatients.  |
| <b>Consultations:</b><br>4-5 rounds / week at the Austin Hospital  | <b>Specialist Clinic coverage:</b><br>Approximately 1 Clinic / week, depending on rotation   |
| <b>Domiciliary assessments / ACAS assessments:</b><br>Approximately 1 visit / week for one registrar based at the Repat  | <b>Research/presentations:</b><br>Regular presentations (e.g. Grand Rounds, junior medical staff, Allied Health and Nursing Staff).<br>RACP requirements for Advanced Trainee projects.    |
| <b>Teaching responsibilities:</b> Medical Students and others.   |  |