

Position Description

Position Title	Consultant Cardiologist (Diagnostic Cardiology)
Position Number	30100129
Division	Clinical Operations
Department	Acute Ambulatory and Critical Care
Enterprise Agreement	Medical Specialists (Victorian Public Health Sector) (AMA Victoria/ASMOF) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2022-2026
Classification Description	Medical Specialist Year 1-9
Classification Code	HN16 – HN59
Reports to	Clinical Unit Head - Cardiology
Management Level	Non Management
Staff Capability Statement	Please click here for a link to staff capabilities statement
Mandatory Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Police Record Check • Registration with Professional Regulatory Body or relevant Professional Association • Immunisation Requirements

Bendigo Health

Bendigo Health is a leading regional health service, learn more about us by visiting our website: [Bendigo Health Website - About Bendigo Health](#)

As an organisation we are committed to delivering safe, inclusive and high-quality care to our diverse communities across the Loddon Mallee Region. We value and respect the unique backgrounds, cultures and experiences of the people we serve and those who work with us.

We are a proud child safe organisation, dedicated to the safety, wellbeing and voice of all children and young people. We are committed to creating a culturally safe and welcoming environment where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples—adults, children and families—are respected, supported and empowered to express and celebrate their culture.

Our Vision

To be a trusted regional healthcare service recognised for delivering exceptional care, being a great place to work, and being deeply connected to our community.

Our Values

PASSIONATE – We are passionate about doing our best – for our patients, our colleagues and our community.

ACCOUNTABLE – We take ownership of our actions and outcomes, always striving for integrity and improvement.

CARING – We care deeply for our community – and our community cares for us. Compassion is at the heart of everything we do.

TRUSTWORTHY - We are open, honest and respectful in all that we do – earning the trust placed in us every day.

This is an ongoing Diagnostic Cardiologist (Imaging) appointment creating an exciting opportunity for an experienced specialist to provide diagnostic cardiology services for a leading regional health service and provision of consultative services at regular outpatient clinics.

The Fractional Specialist Imaging Cardiologist – in Diagnostic Cardiology will be responsible for performing outpatient clinic sessions as rostered, stress echo and TTE Readings.

All staff at Bendigo Health should have, or aspire to the personal qualities, knowledge and skills as described in the Bendigo Health Staff Capabilities Statement. Refer to link at top of page.

Responsibilities and Accountabilities

The role entails performing and reporting stress, transthoracic, and transoesophageal echocardiograms with timely electronic results and prompt communication of urgent findings. It includes conducting outpatient clinics, supervising junior staff, and contributing to education through case conferences and training. The position also supports quality improvement, departmental operations, and service development initiatives.

Key Responsibilities

Stress echocardiography:

- Performance of a minimum of 4 stress echocardiography studies per session
- Reporting and finalisation for electronic result transfer of all stress echocardiogram studies on the same day of the procedure
- Liaison with requesting doctor and other health professionals as necessary to provide results that require immediate intervention and management

Transthoracic echocardiogram

- Reporting and finalisation for electronic result transfer of all echocardiogram studies on rostered days within 48 hours of the study
- Liaison with requesting doctor and other health professionals as necessary to provide results that require immediate intervention and management.

Tranoesophageal echocardiogram

- Performance of a transoesophageal echocardiogram as booked
- Reporting and finalisation for electronic result transfer of all stress echocardiogram studies on the same day of the procedure
- Liaison with requesting doctor and other health professionals as necessary to provide results that require immediate intervention and management

Outpatient Clinics

- Attend and consult at outpatient clinics as rostered
- Supervise junior medical staff in supporting contracted clinics as required
- Ensuring adequate communication and documentation has been completed for each patient consulted

Teaching and education

- Participation in the weekly Cardiology Case Conference
- Participation in a weekly Echocardiography meeting with Cardiology Registrars and Echocardiography Sonographers and Cardiac Technologists for both didactic and journal club lectures, and interesting cases
- Provision of support to echocardiography sonographers where necessary during a study.

Staff development and training

- Provision of education and training of echocardiography sonographer certification including training and assessment of technical skills and study interpretation, and preparation for board certification assignments and examinations
- Teaching and supervision of cardiology registrars for all aspects of echocardiography including interpretation and reporting, and performance of procedures
- Teaching and supervision of hospital medical officer/residents/medical registrars, medical interns and medical students

Others – Quality Improvement and Assurance

- Participation in department business meetings, and other organisational business and meetings as required
- Support of the diagnostic cardiology department on behalf of the clinical unit head while onsite.
- Participation in service development
- Participation in department business and case audits, including future echocardiogram registries

Key Selection Criteria

Essential

1. MBBS FRACP or equivalent degree enabling full unconditional registration with AHPRA
2. Fellow membership of the college training program
3. Clinical experience working in a major hospital at a senior level in Cardiology
4. Subspecialty training in Cardiac Imaging (echocardiography)
5. Evidence of on-going professional development to continually update personal medical knowledge and skills
6. Thorough understanding of the relevant legislation pertaining to Medical Officers
7. Ability to operate in an environment of change
8. Ability to work as part of a team as well as independently
9. Demonstrated ability to communicate with patients; their carers with respect and empathy.

Desirable

10. Echocardiography including transthoracic echo, exercise and pharmacologic stress echo, transoesophageal echo Certification in CT coronary angiogram and Cardiac MRI are desired qualifications but not essential.

Generic Responsibilities

All Bendigo Health staff are required to:

- Adhere to the **Victorian Government's Code of Conduct**
- Uphold **Occupational Health and Safety** responsibilities, including self-care, safeguarding others, and participating in safety initiatives and reporting.
- Comply with all **Bendigo Health policies and procedures**, including those related to clinical, managerial, and standard work practices.
- Follow **Infection Control** procedures to prevent cross-contamination and ensure the health and safety of all.
- Maintain **strict confidentiality** regarding all organisational, patient, and staff information.
- Engage in **continuous quality improvement** activities aligned with the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards (NSQHSS).
- Recognise and respect **diversity**, fostering inclusive practices in the workplace and service delivery.
- Support research activities in alignment with the National Clinical Trials Governance Framework to ensure high-quality, safe, and ethical clinical trials and research practices across Bendigo Health
- Staff must carry out all lawful and reasonable directions and comply with relevant professional standards and ethical codes.
- Safeguard children and young people in our care, by ensuring that your interactions are positive and safe, and report any suspicions or concerns of abuse by any person internal or external to Bendigo Health.
- Maintain ability to perform the inherent requirements of this role. Inherent requirements are the essential tasks necessary to perform this role, including reasonable adjustments. Bendigo Health is committed to a safe workplace that supports all employees. The role may require specific physical and cognitive abilities, which can be discussed with the manager during recruitment or at any time. We understand that personal circumstances can change and impact your ability to meet these requirements; additional policies are available to guide you through this process. Please request the relevant procedures for more information.

All Bendigo Health sites, workplaces and vehicles are smoke free.

This position description is intended to describe the general nature and level of work that is to be performed by the person appointed to the role. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required. Any elements of this document may be changed at Bendigo Health's discretion and activities may be added, removed or amended at any time.