Medical Career Pathways with Bendigo Health

Intensive Care Unit (ICU)

Intensive care is responsible for all patient management of those admitted to ICU. It functions as a closed unit although the patient remains under the bed-card of the Parent Unit. The exceptions to this are for CCU patients, paediatric patients and the Acute Pain Service (APS), where we allow these teams to initiate or discontinue treatment, in consultation with the ICU team. The ICU registrars and HMOs work closely with the intensivist who supervises and supports you, consistent with your level of experience in caring for critically unwell patients.

Positions available

- **10 Accredited registrar positions** – 1 rotator from Austin Health and 9 recruited directly by Bendigo Health (2 on rotation from ED, 1 from Anaesthetics and 6 recruited directly by ICU, with potential rotations including; ED, Paediatrics, Palliative Care and Anaesthetics)
- **5 HMO positions** - recruited through the PMCV match process.

Teaching opportunities

- M&M – fortnightly
- Clinical Performance Meeting (includes Journal Club) - monthly
- Protected Registrar ICU teaching session – weekly (Thursday afternoon – moving to Mondays in 2027)
- Attendance at meetings for MET and Code Blue reviews (both monthly)
- HMO training – monthly 2hr session (supported by the ICU team, but not protected)
- Internal and External opportunities are advertised daily on our intranet - all doctors have access

Training pathway

Career Progression at Bendigo Health can include PGY2/3 HMOs and PGY4+ registrar positions that will assist in meeting the criteria for college training. The Critical Care HMO Stream (PGY3+) year includes rotations in ICU, ED and Anaesthetics.

Advanced training can be undertaken as well with the unit accredited for up to 6 months of CICM ICU core training and also fulfils the criteria of needing to work regionally for at least 6 months.

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