

Position Description

Position Title	Senior Registrar – Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Position Number	30025461
Division	Clinical Operations
Department	Women and Children
Team	Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Enterprise Agreement	Doctors In Training (Victorian Public Health Sector) (AMA VICTORIA/ASMOF) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2022-2026
Classification Description	Registrar Year 4 - Registrar Year 6 and thereafter; Relevant to year of experience
Classification Code	HM28 - HM30; Relevant to year of experience
Reports to	Professional: Clinical Director/ Unit Head Operational: Medical Workforce Unit
Management Level	Non Management
Staff Capability Statement	Please click here for a link to staff capabilities statement

Bendigo Health

With more than 4,500 staff and volunteers and covering an area a quarter of the size of Victoria, Bendigo Health, is an expanding regional health service offering the advantages of city life combined with the beauty and freedom that comes from living in a regional area.

Bendigo Health is a 700 bed service that treats more than 45,000 inpatients, triages more than 65,000 emergency attendees and welcomes more than 1,600 new born babies in a year. In addition more than 15,000 operations are performed in our operating theatres and more than 100,000 occasions of services are provided in our clinics to outpatients.

The organisation provides services in emergency, maternity, women's health, medical imaging, pathology, rehabilitation, community services, residential aged care, psychiatric care, community dental, hospice/palliative care, cardiology, cancer services and renal dialysis to the people of the Loddon Mallee region.

With our main campus based in Bendigo, our services extend throughout the Loddon Mallee with sites in areas such as Mildura, Echuca, Swan Hill, Kyneton and Castlemaine.

Demand on services is increasing rapidly with Bendigo being one of Victoria's fastest growing regional cities.

Our Vision

Excellent Care. Every Person. Every Time.

Our Values

CARING – We care for our community

PASSIONATE – We are passionate about doing our best

TRUSTWORTHY - We are open, honest and respectful

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.

The Clinical Operations Division

The Clinical Operations Division encompasses acute, allied health, cancer and mental health services. We provide a wide range of general medical, surgical and specialty services including but not limited to; Oncology, Cardiology, Renal, Emergency, Women's and Children's, Critical Care, Specialist Clinics, Cancer Clinics and Mental Health Services. Our Allied Health teams provide a diverse range of programs and person centred care in inpatient, outpatient, community, home and residential care settings.

Within a state-of-the-art hospital, our Ambulatory and Critical Care, Medical Services, Surgical Services and Women's and Children's areas use the latest technologies to provide excellent care. Our world class Cancer Centre uses a multi-disciplinary, integrated approach to treat specific cancers. The Cancer Centre offers medical oncology, radiation oncology, specialist nurses, clinical trials and cancer research, palliative care, and a Cancer Wellness Program.

The Mental Health Service provides psychiatric care and treatment across a large catchment area in Victoria stretching from Swan Hill in the north of the state to Gisborne in the south. Family sensitive practice is central to our models of mental health care and best practice ensures the identification, inclusion and support of families, carers and children.

Each year our onsite Specialist Clinics provide over 100,000 service events, we also see more than 60,000 people in our Emergency Department and welcome around 1700 babies into the world. The Clinical Operations Division assists with the admission of more than 50,000 patients into the hospital each year.

The Obstetrics and Gynaecology Team

The team is part of Bendigo Health's Women and Children Department.

The Obstetrics and Gynaecology Team provide inpatient and outpatient care to women and children from across the Loddon Mallee region. This service comprises our Women's Health Clinics, Women's Ward and Birthing Suite, Special Care Nursery and Children's Ward. We offer a number of antenatal, intrapartum and postpartum care options including midwifery led antenatal care and obstetric care. Our service is supported by Lactation Consultants, Maternity Support Clinicians, Social Workers, Midwifery Home Care, Paediatric Homecare and an active education team. The staff work as a team with midwives, senior VMO's, staff specialists and junior medical staff in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. In paediatrics we are supported by VMO's and junior medical staff.

Our Maternity Service is a Level 5 Service in the Victorian State-wide Capability Framework for Maternity and our Special Care Nursery is a Level 4 service which means we care for babies from 32 weeks gestation. The Women and Children model is client focused and promotes a multidisciplinary approach to client management.

Our service is supported by Lactation Consultants, Maternity Support clinicians, Social Workers, Midwifery Home care, Paediatric Homecare and an active education team. The midwifery staff work as a team with Senior VMOs, Staff Specialists and Junior Medical Staff in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. In Paediatrics we are supported by VMOs and Junior Medical Staff.

Women's and Children's Services at Bendigo Health is a busy and proactive regional facility which provides care for an extensive rural and regional catchment area.

We have approximately 1700 births per annum in the maternity service which offers a Women's Health Clinic, Antenatal/Postnatal area, High and low risk Birth Suites and a 10 bed Level 2 Special Care Baby Unit. Midwives Clinics and MAMTA midwives (caseload) are offered as an option of care to women who book-in to this facility. The Gynaecology Department is linked to both Women's and Children's and Surgical Services providing both inpatient and outpatient care for the women of Bendigo Health.

The Position

As a Senior Registrar (SR) you will be working in our team to provide outstanding care to our women. With close support from the consultant staff you will consolidate your clinical skills towards successfully completing your FRANZCOG training (or equivalent). We support senior registrar involvement in complex pregnancy care, birth suite management as well as specialised and general gynaecology. You will have exposure to sub-specialities including advanced laparoscopic surgery, high risk obstetrics, colposcopy, urogynaecology, gynae-oncology, reproductive endocrinology and general gynaecology as well as teaching medical students and junior medical staff through Monash University School of Rural Health.

Our Obstetrics & Gynaecology Senior Registrars position is tailored to suit the individual needs of each successful appointee, with the added flexibility in the daily roster to meet the clinical requirements and maximise each SRs training goals, as the year progresses. We focus on developing clinical and non-skills required to be a consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist and we support a progressive move towards independence at the trainee's pace over the course of the year. Our positions are geared to the true generalist Obstetrics and Gynaecology advanced trainee, focusing on becoming independent in complex obstetrics care and general gynaecological procedures.

We are passionate about furthering your professional portfolio through your contribution to teaching, mentoring, and clinical governance. You will be working closely with consultants providing you with the opportunity for structured feedback and career guidance.

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Responsibilities and Accountabilities

Key Responsibilities

- Clinical management of medical patients and the supervision of, and adequate documentation their medical care.
- Initiate, implement and monitor management of patients under supervision, incorporating the appropriate testing and investigation.
- Thoroughly and promptly correlate and record in the medical record the information obtained from its various sources, in an appropriate and ongoing manner, from the initial assessment, treatment, clinical progress and investigations, and to succinctly record this in discharge summary at the time of discharge.

- Foster rapport and good communications using appropriate language, written or verbal, with the patient and other parties as required; including contact with the referring medical practitioner.
- Use technology appropriately, with cost benefit and potential patient benefit and complications considered.
- Appropriately liaise with all staff involved in the care of the patient, including communication and referrals necessary for ongoing care post-discharge.
- Perform certain procedures, under supervision as appropriate.
- Regularly review patient objectives, interpretative, physical and mental status, including the development of communication of a discharge plan from the time of admission.
- Counsel and support patients and their families.
- Fulfil duties as outlined in the duty roster of the post undertaken.
- As a representative of the hospital and the medical profession, present an appearance and demeanour of professionalism at all times.
- Continually update and extend personal medical knowledge and skills, regularly attend clinical meetings and remain familiar with current medical literature.
- Perform other duties as agreed to and as required on occasions by medical administration.
- Development of theoretical and practical skills consistent with stage of training and the requirements of the training program (if applicable).
- Management of hospital patients within the Obstetric and the Gynaecology Units under the supervision of the designated Consultant with an active approach to discharge planning.
- Liaison with paediatricians in regard to care of neonates, particularly within the Special Care Baby Unit.
- Liaison with other clinical departments, particularly the Emergency Department in the provision of care to obstetric & gynaecological patients.
- Attendance at antenatal and gynaecology outpatients.
- Organisation with the designated consultant of operating lists and liaison with the Bookings manager and the operating theatre co-ordinator.
- Participation in quality assurance activities of the department, including multi-disciplinary activities with midwifery nurses.
- Provision of necessary information, support and counselling to patients and their families in relation to clinical care.
- Supervision of junior HMO and nursing staff as required and appropriate.
- Involvement in the care of private patients where requested by the designated consultant.
- Collaborate with the Medical Workforce Unit to oversee JMO rostering

Generic Responsibilities

Code of Conduct - The Victorian Government's Code of Conduct is binding on all Bendigo Health staff. Contravention of a provision in the code may constitute misconduct and/ or regarded as a breach of the employee's employment agreement and will be dealt with under the organisations Counselling and Disciplinary Action Policy.

Compliance with policies and procedures - All Bendigo Health's policies and procedures are set out in its clinical and managerial policy manuals located on the intranet under PROMPT and in hard copy. All staff

must ensure they comply with policies, procedures and standard ways of work practices when carrying out their work. Any breach in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

Occupational Health and Safety - Every staff member has the responsibility to take reasonable care of their own health and safety and the safety of others, to cooperate with Bendigo Health's OH&S policies and to participate in appropriate safety education and evaluation activities. All staff are expected to participate in reporting any health, safety and wellbeing issues. Any breach in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

Infection Control - Every staff member has the responsibility to minimise incidents of infection/ cross infection of residents, staff, visitors and the general public. All staff must adhere to the policies and procedures as set out in Bendigo Health's infection control manuals. Any breach in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

Confidentiality - All information concerning Bendigo Health, its patients, clients, residents and staff should remain strictly confidential. Any unauthorised disclosure of such information may result in disciplinary action.

Quality Improvement - Bendigo Health is dedicated to improving the quality and safety of health services by providing care within the following domains of quality: Consumer Participation, Clinical Effectiveness, Effective Workforce and Risk Management. As a result, we apply the concept of the quality cycle for all our quality activities, initiatives and projects thereby ensuring the best possible care and treatment results are achieved. The underlying principle of the cycle is that an activity is not complete until evaluation shows that it has been effective and reached the desired outcome. As a Bendigo Health employee you have a responsibility to participate in and commit to ongoing quality improvement activities using the framework of the NSQHSS (National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards).

Diversity – Each person has a right to high-quality health care and opportunities regardless of diversity factors, which might include aspects such as cultural, ethnic, linguistic, religious background, gender, sexual orientation, age and socio-economic status. Every staff member has a responsibility to recognise and respect diversity. Inclusiveness improves our service to our community and promotes engagement amongst staff.

Employees are required to carry out lawful directions outlined above or delegated to them. The work to be performed is set out in this position description and, where relevant, any professional standards and codes of conduct and ethics issued by the relevant professional association.

Key Selection Criteria

Essential

1. Medical Degree and current general AHPRA Registration
2. Membership of RANZCOG
3. Current residency or working VISA

Specialist Expertise

4. PGY4 or above at commencement with Registrar level experience within O&G
5. Thorough understanding of the relevant legislation pertaining to Medical Officers

6. Demonstrated appropriate level experience and skills in the medical assessment and clinical management of patients

Personal Qualities, Knowledge and Skills

7. High level interpersonal and communication skills
8. Demonstrated commitment to rural practice and rural communities
9. Evidence of on-going professional development to continually update personal medical knowledge and skills
10. Ability to operate in an environment of change
11. Ability to work as part of a team as well as independently

Mandatory Requirements

National Police Record Check A current and satisfactory National Police Record Check must be completed by all new staff prior to commencement at Bendigo Health.

Immunisation As a health provider dedicated to providing quality patient care, we all need to be aware of the critical importance of infection control. Each staff member has a responsibility to comply with Bendigo Health's Staff Immunisation Policy and various infection control policy and procedures. All staff are required to provide evidence of vaccinations prior to commencement at Bendigo Health

Working with Children Check Bendigo Health has a responsibility to provide a child safe environment. This position is a defined "child-related role" at Bendigo Health. As such you must maintain a valid working with children check. In addition you will be required to assist Bendigo Health in providing a child safe environment by participating in any training or reporting required to ensure the protection of children in our care.

Registration with Professional Regulatory Body or relevant Professional Association For example, AHPRA, AHRI, RACS etc. The work to be performed is set out in this position description and, where relevant, any professional standards and codes of conduct and ethics issued by the relevant professional association.

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.