

The AdPha x NAPSA Careers Symposium is back in 2025!

Shaped with NAPSA and pharmacist input, to give an edge to proactive students and interns who are considering a career in hospital pharmacy.

The symposium will be delivered virtually in two parts, kicking off in March with a release of an **online resource package**. The package contains over 7 hours of tailored content, with topics including:

- Tips for getting a job in hospital pharmacy: CV writing, insights into what hospitals are looking, interview skills
- Communication skills
- AdPha member career journeys
- ANZCAP
- Resident and Registrar Training Programs
- Professional indemnity insurance.

A not to be missed **live virtual session on Tuesday 15 April 2025** will deep dive into what hospital pharmacy is all about – in metro, regional and rural settings – and include pharmacy career journeys including transitioning from community to hospital pharmacy practice. The feature of the live virtual session is a panel addressing all your burning questions about hospital pharmacy.

PROGRAM

Live virtual symposium

10:30am – 12:00pm AEST Tuesday 15 April 2025

Time (AEST)	Session
1030-1035	Virtual event housekeeping AdPha
1035-1040	AdPha welcome Dr Kate O'Hara FANZCAP (Neonatology, Paeds) , Vice-President, AdPha; Deputy Service Manager - Clinical, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle, NSW
1040-1055	What is hospital pharmacy all about? Janki Solanki, ANZCAP-Reg (Edu.) , Registrar Training Program Coordinator & Pharmacy Clinical Educator Monash Health, Melbourne, Vic
1055-1110	Going bush: hospital pharmacy practice in rural and remote settings Ange Young FANZCAP (Lead&Mgmt, RuralHlth) , Director of Pharmacy, Alice Springs Hospital, Alice Springs, NT
1110-1120	Australian and New Zealand College of Advanced Pharmacy (ANZCAP) Erica Marsom ANZCAP-Reg (Edu.) , Lead Pharmacist, Workforce Advancement, AdPha
1120-1130	From community to hospital pharmacy Alannah Mann FANZCAP (Lead&Mgmt, MedSupply) , Royal Hobart Hospital, Hobart, Tas
1130-1140	How did I end up here...? Travis Phelan , Medication Safety Pharmacist, The Royal Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne, Vic

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1140–1155	<p>Answering your burning questions about hospital pharmacy Erica Marsom (moderator), Lead Pharmacist, Workforce Advancement, AdPha Panellists: Joshua Clements ANZCAP-Res, Pharmacist, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle, NSW Madeline Edwards ANZCAP-Reg (Neonatal., Paeds), Clinical Educator Pharmacist, West Moreton Hospital and Health Service, QLD Madeleine Hills, Clinical Pharmacist, Sir Charles Gairdner Osborne Park Health Care Group, Perth, WA Travis Phelan, Medication Safety Pharmacist, The Royal Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne, Vic</p>
1155–1200	NAPSA closing remarks

Online resource package: available from March 2025

★ Key presentation ⚡ Snapshot

Tips for getting a job as a hospital intern/pharmacist

What are hospital pharmacy departments looking for?

- ★ **Marisa Hodgkinson**, Assistant Deputy Director of Pharmacy – Kingston Centre, Residential Services and Clinical Services support, Monash Health, Vic
- ⚡ **New South Wales**
Russell Levy, Director of Pharmacy, Pharmacy Department, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, NSW
- ⚡ **Tasmania**
Duncan McKenzie, Pharmacy Site Manager, Royal Hobart Hospital, Hobart, Tas
- ⚡ **Australian Capital Territory**
Emily Diprose, Director of Pharmacy, Pharmacy Department, Calvary Public Hospital Bruce, Canberra, ACT
- ⚡ **South Australia**
Annabel Calder, Intern and Student Coordinator, Southern Adelaide Local Health Network, SA Health, SA

Job applications and interview skills

- ★ **Lachlan Henderson**, Director, Eligo Group, Melbourne, Vic

Application tips for hospital intern positions

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Caitlin Merz, Qld, Jasmine Walker, Qld, Gemma Woodruff, Qld

Communication skills

Communicating with other health care professionals



Joanna Pizzi, Senior Pharmacist – Workforce and Development, Alfred Health, Melbourne, Vic (2020)

Life as a hospital pharmacy intern

Intern experiences

Australian Capital Territory



Yi Ning Ham, Intern Pharmacist, Canberra Health Services, Canberra, ACT

New South Wales



NSW Branch Intern Representatives – Stephanie Worden, Rebecca Jones & Linda Do



Eliza Herd, Intern Pharmacist, Tamworth Rural Referral Hospital, Tamworth, NSW (2020)

Northern Territory



Maria Siskamanis, Intern Pharmacist, Royal Darwin Hospital, Darwin, NT

Queensland



Paeton Karakitsos, Intern Pharmacist, Gold Coast University Hospital, Gold Coast, Qld



Jacob Kay-Reid, Intern Pharmacist, Hervey Bay Hospital Pharmacy, Wide Bay Hospital and Health Service, Hervey Bay, Qld (2021)



Caitlin Merz, Qld, Jasmine Walker, Qld

South Australia



Harry Mirasgentis, Intern Pharmacist, Southern Adelaide Local Health Network, SA Pharmacy, Adelaide, SA (2020)

Tasmania



Helena Gjone, Intern Pharmacist, Royal Hobart Hospital, Hobart, Tas

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★ **Vivien Banks**, Intern Pharmacist, Royal Hobart Hospital, Hobart, Tas (2020)

Victoria

★ **Ethan Kreutzer**, Intern Pharmacist, Alfred Health, Melbourne, Vic (2021)

Western Australia

★ **Brianna Gismondi**, Clinical Pharmacist, Graylands Hospital, Perth, WA (2020)

★ **Olivia Gianoncelli**, Pharmacist, Royal Perth Bentley Group, East Metropolitan Health Service, Perth, WA (2021)

Beyond intern year: career pathways

★ **Amy Legg**, Pharmacist Research Fellow – Herston Infectious Diseases Institute, Brisbane, Qld (2022)

★ **Dr Erica Tong**, Chief Pharmacy Information Officer and Deputy Director of Pharmacy, Alfred Health, Melbourne, Vic (2022)

★ **Alistair Meldrum**, Senior Pharmacist – Mental Health, Rockhampton Hospital, Rockhampton, Qld (2022)

★ **Cristina Roman**, Lead Pharmacist – Emergency and Trauma, Alfred Health, Melbourne, Vic (2022)

★ **Deirdre Criddle**, AdPha Board Director, Perth, WA, and Complex Care Clinical Pharmacist, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, Perth, WA (2022)

★ **Ron Cheah**, Project Officer, National Centre for Antimicrobial Stewardship – Guidance Group, Melbourne, Vic (2022)

★ **Sarah Dinh**, Vice President, AdPha NSW Branch Committee; Quality Use of Medicines Project Officer, NSW Therapeutic Advisory Group, Sydney, NSW (2022)

★ **Hadley Bortz**, Senior Pharmacist – Anticoagulation Stewardship / HITH, Alfred Health, Melbourne, Vic (2022)

★ **Josephine To**, Senior Pharmacist, Division of Aged Care, Rehabilitation & Palliative Care, Northern Adelaide Local Network, SA; Chair, AdPha Palliative Care Specialty Practice, Leadership Committee (2022)

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AdPha Training Programs

Overview of the Resident Training Program

- ★ **Erica Marsom**, *Lead Pharmacist Workforce Programs, AdPha*

Overview of the Registrar Training Program

- ★ **Erica Marsom**, *Lead Pharmacist Workforce Programs, AdPha*

AdPha Resident & Registrar candidate experiences

- ★ **Melissa Faerhmann**, *AdPha Resident Pharmacist, Canberra Health Services, Canberra, ACT*
- ★ **Cassie Lanksey**, *Senior Pharmacist – High Risk Medication Safety & Clinical Educator, Townsville University Hospital, Townsville, Qld (2020)*
- ★ **Jessica Catalano**, *AdPha Resident Pharmacist, Alice Springs Hospital, Alice Springs, NT (2020)*
- ★ **Stephanie Alexander**, *Clinical Pharmacist, Slade Pharmacy Richmond, Epworth Hospital, Melbourne, Vic (2020)*

Australia & New Zealand College of Advanced Pharmacy (ANZCAP)

Introduction to ANZCAP

- ★ **Erica Marsom**, *Lead Pharmacist Workforce Programs, AdPha*

ANZCAP Learning Experiences

- ★ **Erica Marsom**, *Lead Pharmacist Workforce Programs, AdPha*

ANZCAP Custom Portfolios

- ★ **Erica Marsom**, *Lead Pharmacist Workforce Programs, AdPha*

Professional indemnity insurance

Introduction to professional indemnity insurance

- ★ **Gary West**, *Professional Officer, Pharmaceutical Defence Limited*

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PDL guide to good dispensing



Gary West, *Professional Officer, Pharmaceutical Defence Limited*

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