

Pharmacy Intern Program 2026

Senior Educators

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Where is Peninsula Health?

With 13 sites spread across Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula, you'll enjoy working in close proximity to some of Victoria's best beaches, parks, walking tracks, wineries and scenery. This growing area has excellent schools and recreational facilities and is less than a one hour drive from the Melbourne CBD.

[Find out more about Frankston](#)

[Find out more about the Mornington Peninsula](#)

2. How do I get there?

Travel **against** traffic during peak hours on the Eastlink. Excellent value, on-site staff car-parking. Convenient access to public transport (train station and bus-stop).

3. What Services are there?

We provide care for local residents from birth through to end of life care, and a comprehensive range of sub-specialties including emergency medicine, intensive care, obstetrics and gynaecology, surgery, paediatrics, aged care, rehabilitation, oncology, haematology, neurology, renal dialysis, vascular, gastroenterology, infectious diseases, cardiology, mental health, and care in the home.

Our growing reputation for excellence in research and care propels us as leaders in the healthcare space

4. What support is there for pharmacy interns?

We are dedicated to providing a supportive and empowering work environment, to help you achieve your goals. Some of the supports you can expect working at Peninsula Health are:

- Comprehensive orientation
- A wide range of speciality areas and experiences
- Professional Development
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP)
- Highly experienced education team



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Frequently asked questions

5. How many intern positions?

There are four DHHS funded pharmacy intern positions at Peninsula Health.

6. What Pharmacy Intern Programs do you have?

We provide the Monash University National Alliance for Pharmacy Education (NAPE) Pharmacy Intern Training Program (ITP). This Pharmacy Board of Australia approved internship program is accredited by the Australian Pharmacy Council and contributes to 50% of the academic credit required for a Graduate Certificate in Pharmacy Practice.

Our department participates in the Monash University Intern Foundation Program (IFP). This program enables intern pharmacists to accumulate credit points during their workplace rotations that contribute towards the qualification of Graduate Certificate in Pharmacy Practice.

In addition we run weekly clinical and OTC tutorials with dedicated clinical educators and experienced clinical pharmacists. We match education with your rotations.

7. Who will support me as an intern?

AHPRA Preceptor ensures you meet your professional obligations towards registration.

Intern Preceptors supports you in all your learning and work requirements throughout your intern year, delivers your roster, teaches one to one and facilitate all your education.

Your allocated intern **Buddy** or mentor provides informal day to day support and encouragement and helps you during the year.

Experienced competently trained pharmacy **clinical supervisors** support you in all your rotations.

Research Supervisor guides you to develop your question, apply for ethics and lead your own research project.



Peninsula Health is proudly inclusive.



Peninsula Health is child safe.



8. What other support is there?

Our broader **Pharmacy Team** wants you to succeed and will support you along the way. **Practice exams** conducted under strict conditions will help you succeed in your real exams.

We have an excellent track record of interns passing the registration exam.

Employee assistance program is available to all staff at Peninsula Health.

9. What IT systems do you use?

Cerner electronic prescribing system

iPharmacy -dispensing and inventory system.

HS8 – electronic DD register.

10. Governance and feedback?

Governance for our internship program is facilitated via our Education Committee. We like to hear how you are going during the year both informally and via two monthly electronic feedback surveys.



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11. What does the roster look like?*

Orientation and training for 6 weeks will provide a key knowledge and IT processes to underpin the clinical year. Three-weekly rotations in core clinical area build your experience in medical and surgical areas within Frankston Hospital followed by experience in a variety of clinical areas - 80% of your experience is in clinical areas. *subject to updates

Core areas (weeks)		Breadth *(weeks)		Additional experience (weeks or days)	
Orientation	1	Psychiatry	3	Quality use of medicines and Safety	2 weeks
General Medical	10	Gastroenterology	3	Infectious Diseases / AMS	1 week
Surgical	10	Neurology	3	Critical Care	2.5 days
Operational	10	Respiratory / Renal	3	Perioperative and Theatres	2 days
		Cardiology	3	Community Care Team	2.5 days
		Emergency Department	3	Research project days	2.5 days
		Rehabilitation	5		

*subject to updates and Frankston Hospital Redevelopment with bed and ward configurations

12. What additional experience is there?

- ✓ **Community care** – you will work with our community pharmacy team to manage complex patients and liaise with multidisciplinary teams.
- ✓ Experience **Theatres** and manage surgical patients with the **Perioperative** pharmacists.
- ✓ Experience **Sub-acute Care** at rehabilitation community care sites, Golf Links road, The Mornington Centre and Rosebud Hospital.
- ✓ **Quality Use of Medicine** - work on medication safety, quality improvement, decision support, formulary work and **anticoagulant stewardship**.

13. What opportunities are available at Peninsula Health after internship?

Advanced Pharmacy Australia accredited Resident Training Program

- This two year education program is designed to support development in clinical pharmacy for early career pharmacists
- An external recruitment process exists for residency positions. There is no automatic entry to the program for existing interns.

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Peninsula Health Catchment Map



Frankston Hospital Redevelopment

