

The Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne

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APPLICATION PROCESS

- https://medicine.unimelb.edu.au/school-structure/paediatrics/study/clinical-electives
- Application form + CV + cover letter (recommended)
- Cost: \$800
- Applications are now open
- Close 30th April 2018
- Please use your student email address for your application



FAQS

- The information guide states a 4 week placement, can we do 6 weeks?
 - Yes, they understand that Monash Uni electives require 6 weeks of placement
- Can we split our 6 weeks between two different departments?
 - No, unfortunately not
- How many people apply?
 - Last year there was close to 200 applications, as well as numerous enquiries after the closing date
- How many people are successful with their application?
 - Last year, there was less than 100 successful students worldwide



SPECIALTIES AVAILABLE

- Cardiology
- Endocrinology
- Rheumatology
- Infectious Diseases
- Allergy Department
- Anaesthetics
- PICU

- Surgery
- Orthopaedics
- Trauma
- Psychiatry
- And many more... just ask
- NOT general medicine or ED



EXPECTATIONS OF PLACEMENT

- Gain an understanding of paediatric medicine
- Be given the opportunity to interact (under supervision) with patients whilst on ward rounds and outpatient clinics or other clinical settings
- Clerk patients using the electronic medical system under supervision
- Attend clinical meetings
- Observe and appreciate communication skills required for interdisciplinary team function



THE EXPERIENCE

- An amazing and worthwhile experience
- All the staff are lovely and always willing to teach and help out
- A very large tertiary center, extremely sub-specialised
- Consultants and fellows are very research focused
- Less responsibility compared to my previous placement
- Staff are used to having Melb Uni students who have only started their paediatric placement
- Very complex and unwell patients



ANY QUESTIONS

- Feel free to contact me with any questions
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- RCH Elective Coordinator Pam
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 - (may take some time to reply due to the influx of emails currently)

