

**Fellow in Community Child Health  
Southern Health Monash Medical Centre,  
CLAYTON/DANDENONG**

**Qualifications:** Applicants are expected to be FRACP advanced trainees in Paediatrics

**Hours and Duration:** This is a full time position for 6 months and will usually be combined with a six months position in the Emergency Department.

**Duties and Experience:** *Community:* The fellow is based at Specialist Children's Services, Dandenong, where he/she works with the team, seeing referred children and advising on the health aspects of children seen by team members; and seeing children referred by other community child health workers including maternal and child health nurses, preschool field officers, and school nurses.

*Hospital:* Developmental Disabilities Clinic (weekly)  
The Developmental Disabilities Clinic is the major administrative base for the fellowship program. It is a multidisciplinary assessment clinic, with a large staff of paediatricians, psychologists and speech pathologists, which sees children referred with concerns about early development, learning, behaviour and autism-related functions. There is also an extensive program of clinical and teaching meetings throughout the year.

Spina Bifida Clinic (two clinics every three months). The Spina Bifida Clinic is a multidisciplinary service concerned with the long term management of children with spina bifida.

General Paediatric Clinic (weekly) This is a general paediatrics service. The fellows see children referred with developmental and behavioural concerns.

Other clinics including the Child Sexual Abuse Clinic are available to fellows with relevant training needs.

Fellows will also be rostered, relatively infrequently, in the emergency department.

*Teaching:* There is opportunity to be involved in undergraduate and postgraduate teaching at all clinics and at other times.

**Training Program:** This position is part of the Victorian Training Program in Community Child Health. The VTPCCH provides an orientation program at the beginning of the year (and a further brief orientation program for those trainees starting mid year) and weekly half day seminar and supervision sessions throughout the year.

**Supervision:** Staff from the respective service areas are available at all work sites to provide information and advice. The major Monash Medical Centre supervisor is the Head of the Developmental Disabilities Clinic (currently Philip Graves) who provides individual and group supervision (for all three Monash-based fellows) approximately fortnightly. Further group supervision is provided at the weekly seminars.

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