

# Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia – Victorian Branch

## Hospital Pharmacy Intern Training 2010

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### Hospital

#### The Royal Children's Hospital

Flemington Road  
Parkville VIC 3052

#### *Campuses at which pharmacy interns will work*

Two pharmacy programs available via a separate application process:

- The Royal Children's Hospital (12 months)
- The Royal Children's Hospital (6 months)/Industry: CSL (6 months)

#### *Hospital Information*

The Royal Children's Hospital is a specialist paediatric hospital and provides a full range of clinical services, tertiary care and health promotion and prevention programs for children and adolescents. The Royal Children's Hospital is the major specialist paediatric hospital in Victoria, and also cares for children from other states around Australia and overseas.

Some Facts about The Royal Children's Hospital

- RCH clinicians and scientists first discovered that rotavirus is a cause of gastroenteritis
- RCH is the Australian National Centre for cardiac transplantation
  
- RCH is the leading centre for bone marrow and cord blood transplantation
- Australia's first gait laboratory for children is located at RCH
- World-wide changes in measles immunisation in children were initiated at RCH
- RCH leads Australian studies into childhood allergy
- World experts in paediatric anaesthetics work at RCH
- RCH provides Australia's most comprehensive care program for neonates.
- RCH is internationally recognised for work on ethical and legal aspects of newborn care, especially the use of high technology
- RCH developed a video EEG monitoring system, which is now used internationally and has been integrated with the best epilepsy surgical program in Australia
- RCH is conducting a landmark longitudinal study of childhood asthma into adulthood

For more information visit The Royal Children's Hospital website at [www.rch.org.au](http://www.rch.org.au)

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### Pharmacy Department

#### *Department Head*

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### **Department Information**

- Approximately 25 pharmacists
- Regular Continuing Education lectures within the department and weekly Hospital Grand Round lectures presented by renowned speakers
- Opportunity to attend professional seminars and conferences
- Facilities and support for project work
- Friendly & fun work environment

### **Services Provided**

- Clinical pharmacy services are provided to the Intensive Care Unit, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Children's Cancer Centre, Children's Neuroscience Centre, Cardiology, Adolescent Medicine, General Medical, Surgical, Orthopaedics, Gastroenterology, Rehabilitation, Endocrinology and Thoracic wards
- Centralised outpatient and discharge dispensary
- Manufacture of a large range of extemporaneous products to facilitate accurate/convenient doses for paediatric patients
- Total Parenteral Nutrition, chemotherapy and specialised fluids are manufactured on-site
- Co-ordination of medications for Hospital in The Home patients
- Paediatric Drug Information Centre
- Paediatric Clinical Trials
- The pharmacy department are actively involved in the Adverse Drug Reaction, Drug Usage and Medication Safety Committees

### **Facilities at The Royal Children's Hospital**

- Privately-owned community pharmacy on-site
- Cafés and McDonalds
- Shops and regular auxiliary stalls
- Close to Errol and Lygon Streets (shops and cafes)
- Email and internet access available
- Car parking on site
- Direct tram service; tram stops in front of the hospital! (#55, #59)

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## **Industry**

**CSL** 45 Poplar Road, Parkville VIC 3052

### **CSL Information**

CSL manufactures and markets an extensive range of vaccines and pharmaceutical products in Australia with particular focus on products for the prevention and treatment of serious diseases. CSL operates one of the world's largest influenza vaccine manufacturing facilities for supply to Australia and global markets. For more information on CSL, please visit the CSL website at [www.csl.com.au](http://www.csl.com.au)

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## **Pharmacy Intern Training Program**

### **Pharmacy Intern Program Coordinator**

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### **Pharmacy Intern Training Program**

- Pharmacy Interns will have a week of orientation to the RCH Pharmacy department to learn basic technical and clinical skills before integration into the general roster
- Each pharmacy intern is assigned their own preceptor for the year. Preceptors will periodically evaluate an intern's performance to assist with their development throughout the year
- During the intern year, interns will spend time in all areas of the RCH Pharmacy Department including: ward pharmacy services in a variety of clinical areas, outpatient dispensary, oncology pharmacy, sterile and non-sterile manufacturing and the Drug Information Centre. Rotations will be 3-4 weeks in length
- After a period of clinical pharmacy training, pharmacy interns will given the opportunity to be responsible for the pharmacy services of an allocated ward for a 3-4 week period (with the support and supervision of pharmacists)
- The RCH Pharmacy Internship manual provides a list of objectives and self-directed learning activities for each rotation
- RCH offers a comprehensive pharmacy intern tutorial program, covering a wide range of drug therapies and primary healthcare topics as well as practice exam sessions
- Pharmacy interns are given the opportunity to spend a week working in a community pharmacy of their choice to assist with exam preparation
- Two pharmacy intern positions are available which offer a 6 month placement working at The Royal Children's Hospital and a 6 month placement working in the pharmaceutical industry at CSL also located in Parkville

### **Contact person**

For more information about the Pharmacy Intern Program at RCH, or the combined program with RCH and CSL please contact:

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### **Pharmacy Intern Placement Coordinator**

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To view other Hospital Pharmacy Pre-registrant Training Factsheets, go to –

[http://www.shpa.org.au/docs/jobs\\_pr\\_vic.html](http://www.shpa.org.au/docs/jobs_pr_vic.html)