

RCH Graduate Mental Health Nurse Program 2026



Application Form

Please complete this form and upload to your RCH Careers application in the 'Cover Letter' field.

About you

APPLICANT DETAILS			
Name:		Email	
Residential Address:			
University:		Course	

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF
Please complete each of the questions below in 150-200 words. Do not exceed space provided.
Tell us why you want to work on Banksia Ward and outline the knowledge and skills that you can bring to the field of adolescent mental health.
Effective communication with young people and their carers in a mental health inpatient setting is vital. Can you describe a clinical situation where you demonstrated effective communication strategies? Include how you adapted your approach to meet the needs of the individual, and any considerations you made to ensure your communication was appropriate and therapeutic.

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Maintaining professional boundaries when working with young people can be particularly challenging. Can you tell us about a time during clinical placement when you have had to consider professional boundaries? What was your approach and what was the outcome?

How would you ensure you maintain a healthy work-life balance whilst undertaking the RCH Graduate Mental Health Nurse Program? *Consider balancing university commitments, working varying shift patterns and managing self-care.*

Clinical Placements and Appraisals

CLINICAL PLACEMENTS AND APPRAISALS

Please provide the details of your relevant clinical placements, which must match the appraisal documentation provided with your application. (Mental Health placement and your most recent other placement)

MENTAL HEALTH PLACEMENT

Year of study the placement completed	
Facility where the placement completed	
Clinical specialty/area of the placement	
Name and position of the person who completed the summative appraisal	

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CLINICAL PLACEMENTS AND APPRAISALS CONTINUED	
OTHER MOST RECENT PLACEMENT	
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References

Please provide details of **two clinical nursing referees who can describe your clinical practice** (i.e. a clinical teacher or preceptor), as per your PMCV registration.

REFERENCE 1 – MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL REFERENCE	
Referee Name:	
Organisation:	
Job Title:	
Relationship to you (i.e. preceptor):	
Contact Email:	
Contact Number:	
REFERENCE 2 – CLINICAL REFERENCE	
Referee Name:	
Organisation:	
Job Title:	
Relationship to you (i.e. preceptor):	
Contact Email:	
Contact Number:	

Thank you for taking the time to apply for the Graduate Mental Health Nurse Program at The Royal Children's Hospital. Please upload this form via the RCH Careers job application.