

Peel Sector GradStart Program

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Transition to Professional Practice (TPP)

- The Peel Sector offers an integrated twelve-month program to the new graduate nurse across a range of clinical settings. The Peel Sector is Tamworth, Gunnedah, Quirindi, Manilla, Walcha, Werris Creek and Barraba. New Graduates will have an opportunity to experience working in a rural setting at different locations from a Multi- Purpose Service (MPS) to the Hospital setting.
- There is an expectation that the TPP graduates will rotate to different sites to gain an overall rural experience.

The Transition to Professional Practice (TPP) offered in the Peel Sector includes:

- A 12-twelve-month program
- A five-day orientation consisting of one day with all other program participants from the above facilities followed by one day supernumerary with a preceptor.
- Between four and five rotations, with each rotation being approximately two - three months duration
- Available rotations include:
 - Medical, Surgical,
 - Orthopaedics
 - Paediatrics, Special Care Nursery (SCN) Maternity (RM new graduates)
 - Operating Theatres, Intensive Care, High Dependency, Cardiac Services
 - Emergency
 - Rehabilitation
 - Multi-Purpose Services
- Clinical guidance and support is provided by Clinical Nurse Educators

A large number of Clinical Nurse Specialists and Clinical Nurse Consultants across a range of specialties further compliment the support and resources available, in addition to the Nurse Educator

- Four structured education days during the program including DETECT workshop and Advanced Cardiac Life Support. Other learning opportunities include Intravenous Cannulation, Patient Controlled Analgesia and Epidural Accreditation.
- In-service programs held regularly in all wards/units of the hospital
- Access to clinical supervision is also available to the new graduate nurses

Further information on sites for Registered Nurse Positions in the Peel Sector:

- [Barraba Multi Purpose Service](#)
- [Gunnedah Health Service](#)
- [Manilla Multi Purpose Service](#)
- Quirindi [Hospital](#) and [Health Service](#)
- [Tamworth Hospital](#)

Additional

- The program is coordinated by the Nurse Educator and supported clinically by the Clinical Nurse Educators.
- Whilst the program is for a contract period of 12 months, we support our new graduates with further professional development such as transitional second year programs and have a high retention rate of new graduates within our services.

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