

ANAESTHESIA TRAINING AT EASTERN HEALTH

The Department of Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine at Eastern Health provides training opportunities in Anaesthesia at 4 separate campuses (Box Hill Hospital, Maroondah Hospital, Angliss Hospital and Yarra Ranges Health). Trainees can be assured of a broad range of clinical experience, as well as a supportive environment for learning.

All Eastern Health campuses are part of the 'Eastern Rotation' of the 'Victorian Anaesthesia Training Scheme' (VATS). Further information regarding applications to the VATS should be sought from ANZCA (see link below).

Major metropolitan hospitals that form part of the Eastern Rotation include The Alfred Hospital, St Vincent's Hospital, The Royal Children's Hospital, The Royal Women's Hospital and The Mercy Hospital for Women.

Box Hill Hospital is accredited for 2 years of specialist Anaesthesia training by the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA). Positions available in 2022 include:

- 4 Provisional Fellows (pre-approved by ANZCA, appointed by Box Hill for 6 month rotations)
- 3 Advanced Trainee positions (allocated through the Eastern Rotation of VATS)
- 3 Independent Registrar positions (appointed by Box Hill, suitable for SIMGs and independent trainees)
- 5 Introductory/Basic Trainees (allocated through the Eastern Rotation of VATS)
- 1 ICU/Anaesthetic Registrar (not affiliated with VATS, appointed by Box Hill)
- 2 ED Registrars (on rotation from Box Hill ED)
- 3 Critical Care HMOs (appointed by Box Hill)
- 1 Pain Registrar (appointed by Box Hill, comprises 50% pain and 50% anaesthesia)

Maroondah Hospital is accredited for 1 year of specialist Anaesthesia training by ANZCA. Current positions include:

- 2 Introductory/Basic Trainees (allocated through the Eastern Rotation of VATS)
- 1 Independent Registrar position (appointed by Maroondah)
- 1 ICU/Anaesthetic Registrar (appointed by Maroondah)
- 1 ED Registrar (on rotation from Maroondah ED)
- 1 Critical Care HMO

Angliss Hospital is accredited for 1 year of specialist Anaesthesia training by ANZCA.

HMO and Registrar rosters at Box Hill include rotating to Angliss for both in-hours and out-of-hours work.

Clinical experience at the Angliss includes Obstetrics, Paediatric surgery, ENT, Gynaecology and General Surgery.

Yarra Ranges Health is a Day Surgery Unit in Lilydale, and is accredited as a satellite training site of Box Hill Hospital. Anaesthesia Registrars and Provisional Fellows are able to obtain clinical experience in ophthalmic anaesthesia.

Notable features of Anaesthesia Training at Eastern Health include:

- High acuity surgical services at Box Hill, particularly in Vascular, Upper GI, Colorectal, Thoracic and ENT.
- Busy Orthopaedic and Plastics units at Maroondah, with good opportunities for regional anaesthesia.
- Busy Obstetric units at both Box Hill and Angliss Hospitals (5,000 deliveries per year across Eastern Health).
- Regular Paediatric surgery at Box Hill Hospital (predominantly General, ENT, Plastics and Orthopaedics).
- A strong commitment to teaching, with a weekly structured tutorial program in protected teaching time.
- Access to multidisciplinary simulation based training in crisis management.
- Access to multidisciplinary simulation based training in obstetric emergencies (PROMPT).
- Active assistance with both Primary and Final Examination preparation.

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Further information regarding Anaesthesia Training can be found at the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists website: <http://www.anzca.edu.au/>