

ORGANISATIONAL OVERVIEW

Introduction:

Northern Health is a vibrant, fast-paced workplace located in the rapidly growing northern suburbs. This is driving us to think innovatively about the needs of the population and what the health system of the future might need to look like to meet those needs. We take care of our community by providing a wide range of health services at multiple locations including:

- Northern Hospital Epping
- Broadmeadows Hospital
- Craigieburn Community Hospital
- Bundoora Centre
- Merri-bek Community Team
- Broadmeadows Community Care Unit
- Broadmeadows Prevention and Recovery Care
- Hotham Street Community Mental Health Clinic
- Northern Prevention and Recovery Care
- Northern Community Care Unit and,
- Noogal Clinic
- Kilmore District Health
- Women's Health Hub
- Mernda Community Hospital

We also collaborate with our partners to help expand the range of health care services offered to our culturally rich and diverse community.

As an organisation, we are shifting our focus from illness to putting a spotlight on supporting our community in 'staying well'. In order to achieve this, we are developing strong relationships with other health service providers and the community across the region, to help us think differently about the future.

Northern Health provides a dynamic working environment, with a strong culture of teamwork, safety and respect. Northern Health is proud to be an inclusive employer and aims to ensure our workforce is representative of the community.

Our Vision:

Creating a healthier future by working together, innovating and delivering great care.

Our Values:

- Safe – We provide safe, trusted care for our patients. We are inclusive, culturally safe, celebrating the diversity of our staff and community.
- Kind – We treat everyone with kindness, respect and empathy. We provide patient-centred and compassionate care.
- Together – We work together with our staff, patients, consumers and health system partners.

Our Priorities:

Northern Health has determined six strategic directions. The directions are focused on addressing priorities for safety, sustainability, growth and innovation. They reflect our best assessment of opportunities and challenges in our current and future environment.

- Collaborate to deliver safe, efficient, effective and sustainable care in all our services
- Demonstrate our commitment to the wellbeing of our valued workforce
- Renew and strengthen our infrastructure, systems, tools and processes for financial sustainability and growth
- Innovate to shape the future of health care in Victoria
- Partner to keep people well and deliver the best possible care locally
- Drive research and education to deliver excellent care and develop the next generation of clinicians and health care leaders

These priorities are inter-related in that success in one area is dependent on success in another. Detailed plans have been developed to support each of the priority areas.

All Northern Health employees will contribute to improving patient safety by being familiar with, and applying the National Safety and Quality Standards and criteria.

Safety, Quality and Clinical Governance at Northern Health:

Northern Health is dedicated to providing the highest quality of care in the safest possible environment for every patient every time. We are focused on strengthening the safety and quality of care across the continuum, with a focus on saving lives, reducing harm and improving the patient experience.

Northern Health's safety and quality improvement activities focus on delivering the Strategic Plan and Operational Business Plans, and are supported by the Northern Health Clinical Governance and Risk Frameworks, and the Northern Health Quality Improvement Methodology.

The Northern Health Quality Management System brings together the core elements that underpin how:

- Quality and Clinical Governance is determined.
- Quality services are delivered.
- Risk is managed.
- Audit – what matters is monitored.
- Our committees monitor performance of controls put in place to ensure safe patient care.

Commitment to Child Safety at Northern Health:

- We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children
- We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children, the cultural safety of children from a culturally and /or linguistically diverse backgrounds and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability.
- We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures
- We have legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow vigorously

Family Violence and Child Safety Statement:

Northern Health is a child safe environment and is committed to protecting children from harm and abuse, in accordance with our legal obligations and the Child Safe Standards. Northern Health aims to identify and respond individuals who are at risk of child abuse and family violence and we encourage victim survivors to disclose to their health professional to seek support and safety. Northern Health has zero tolerance of child abuse and family violence, and all disclosures and safety concerns will be treated sensitively in accordance with our policies and procedures.

Northern Health actively promotes the safety and wellbeing of all individuals. We recognize and respect individual rights, identities, relationships and cultures. Our aim is to foster a trauma-informed, culturally safe and child safe environment.

Northern Health is an Information Sharing Entity (ISE) and is prescribed to the Family Violence Multi-Agency Risk Assessment & Management (MARAM) Framework and the Information Sharing Schemes. Family violence and child safety training is mandatory for our staff members and volunteers.

Essential:

- Current National Police and Working with Children History Check.
- The Staff Immunisation Questionnaire must be completed by all new employees as part of the mandatory on-boarding process. New employees are not permitted to undertake any activity that requires patient contact prior to clearance by the Staff Immunisation Nurses; this also includes evidence of having the Flu vaccination on a yearly basis. New employees with contra-indications to vaccinations or who decline vaccination are required to attend a face to face consultation with the Immunisation Nurses for appropriate documentation of their contraindications or declination. This must be completed PRIOR to commencing any work with Northern Health.



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title:	2027 Unaccredited Cardiology Registrar
Business Unit/Division:	Emergency Services/Department of Cardiology
Award Agreement:	AMA Victoria – Victorian Public Health Sector – Doctors in Training Enterprise Agreement 2022-2026
Classification:	HM25-HM30
Employment Type:	Full Time, Fixed Term
Reports to:	Director of Cardiology, Unit Consultants, Chief Medical Officer through Junior Medical Workforce Unit.
Date Prepared/Updated:	July 2026

ROLE STATEMENT

General Role Statement:

The Cardiology Registrar is involved in the supervised treatment of inpatients and outpatients with cardiac conditions and the supervision and teaching of medical students and junior medical staff associated with the unit.

This position is responsible for:

- Provision of appropriate care to inpatients and public outpatients of the Unit/Department. Provision of a consultative service for patients of other units or departments. Ensure supervision for the junior medical officers and to provide support for the senior medical staff in the care of the Unit/Department's patients.

All employees:

Quality, Safety, Risk and Continuous Improvement

- Maintain an understanding of individual responsibility for patient safety, quality & risk and contribute to organisational quality and safety initiatives.
- Follow organisational safety, quality & risk policies and procedures
- Maintain a safe working environment for yourself, your colleagues and members of the public.
- Maintain an understanding of individual responsibility for patient safety, quality & risk as outlined in Northern Health [Clinical Governance & Patient Experience - Trusted Care](#).
- Contribute to organisational quality and safety initiatives.
- Escalate concerns regarding safety, quality & risk to appropriate staff members, if unable to rectify yourself.
- Promote and participate in the evaluation and continuous improvement processes.
- Comply with principles of Patient Centred Care.
- Comply with Northern Health's commitment to Child Safety
- Comply with Northern Health mandatory continuing professional development requirements.
- Comply with requirement of National Safety & Quality Health Service Standards and other relevant regulatory requirements.
- All employees of Northern Health must comply with the health service's Staff Health / Workforce Immunisation procedure (as amended from time to time) together with any relevant State Government and Departmental directives. This requires all employees to be vaccinated for various diseases such as, but not limited to influenza.

KEY RESULT AREAS AND MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Regular Duties

- To attend regularly both in-hours and out-of-hours according to rosters.
- Participation in regular receiving and on-call duties as per duty roster.
- A daily ward round of all inpatients should be undertaken.
- Provide an opinion on patients referred from other units and to liaise with the Consultant Cardiologists about these patients' care in a timely manner.

Provision of Appropriate Care to:

- All inpatients within Unit/Department.
- Patients in the Coronary Care Unit (CCU) and general cardiology ward.
- Patients in the Chest Pain Evaluation Unit (CPEU)
- Patients in the non-invasive diagnostic investigations unit and cardiac catheter laboratories.
- Cardiology clinics and support relevant resident/intern.
- Patients for whom consultation is requested.
- Relevant patients in day surgery, medical imaging, endoscopy, and emergency departments.

Unit Support:

- Support the senior medical staff in the care of the Unit/Department's patients and support unit HMO's and other junior medical staff.
- To assist the on-duty Cardiologist in cardiac investigations such as echocardiography or coronary angiography and subsequent interventions
- To assist with interpretation of ECG, cardiac echocardiography and exercise tests and any other tests undertaken by the Cardiology Unit at NH
- To provide clinical support for other registrars/HMO's where this may be required due to workload or other unforeseen circumstances.

Education/Training:

- To regularly attend education and training sessions appropriate to your level. To participate in specific Registrar training programs such as "Teaching On The Run" when offered.
- To present regularly at the cardiology unit meetings.
- To attend and present at the Division of Medicine Grand Rounds

Intern/HMO Responsibilities:

- Orientation of Intern/HMO at beginning of each term. This includes providing information on roles and responsibilities, what the intern /HMO will be assessed on, setting intern or HMO rotation objectives, giving unit specific information and updating intern/HMO on status of patients.
- To meet with Intern/HMO at mid-term for an informal feedback session using the "Guide to Registrars Form".
- To provide immediate feedback to intern/HMO throughout rotation
- To ensure intern/HMOs know what to do if they need to seek help, i.e. who to contact if you're not available
- To provide training and education during ward rounds and in other appropriate settings

Quality:

- To ensure that patients/families are given adequate information upon which to base treatment decisions and follow-up.
- To participate in the Cardiology Department's quality activities program(s) and audit activity as requested by senior staff.

- To be responsive to patient and relative complaints, liaising with appropriate senior staff and the patient advocate.

Communication:

- To facilitate excellent communication and liaison with other staff involved in the patient's care.
- To inform the Director of Cardiology of any relevant administrative issues.

Compliance:

- To abide by the Health Service policies and procedures.
- To comply with the Australian Medical Association Code of Ethics.
- Clinical privileges will be granted to anaesthetic registrars in accordance with departmental policy.

Medical Records:

- To complete the appropriate documentation in the patient's hospital record.
- Entries should be legible, timely, comprehensive, and accurate.
- Anaesthetic charts must comply with the standards recommended by the College of Anaesthetists.

Administration:

- To ensure that up to date contact information is made available to the hospital.
- To provide notification of inability to attend clinical duties for any reason by notifying Junior Medical Workforce Unit (JMWU) or the person on call for JMWU via communication centre, at least 2 hours prior to commencement of a rostered shift.
- To notify the Director of Cardiology and the Junior Medical Workforce Unit in writing of all roster swaps/changes, as per policy.
- To provide a minimum of six weeks' notice in writing to the Director of Cardiology and the Junior Medical Workforce Unit if examination leave will be required.
- Salary packaging – In the event that tax becomes payable on fringe benefits, the total cost of the package to the hospital will not increase

SELECTION CRITERIA

Qualifications, Registrations and Qualities:**Essential**

- Medical registration with the Medical Board of Australia under the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Must have satisfactorily completed at least two years of postgraduate hospital experience in an Australia, New Zealand, or a recognised equivalent.

Employee Declaration

I

have read, understood and accept the above Position Description.

(Please print name)

Signature:

Date: