

Transition to Specialty Practice

ICU, CCU, ED, Cardiac Care

Coordinator: Education Manager, Epworth Richmond



This program enables nursing staff to grow, develop and succeed through enhancing their practice in the specialty of Critical Care nursing.

Eligibility

This is an introductory program for new or existing registered nurses who have minimal experience caring for patients in these areas, providing the opportunity for nurses to develop knowledge, confidence and skills. Applicants must:

- > Hold a current registered nurse qualification with APHRA and be a permanent resident or Australian citizen.
- > Have recent clinical practice in acute care and be in year 2 (minimum).
- > Complete an Expressions of Interest form to demonstrate commitment to the program.
- > Pre-approval by the applicant's Unit Manager.

Duration

- > Permanent contract, minimum 0.6 to full time
- > 6-month program

Venue

- > Epworth Richmond
- > Epworth Geelong
- > Epworth Eastern
- > Epworth Freemasons



Learning content

- > Delivered using a blended learning method; a combination of self-directed online learning and classroom-based learning.
- > Seven study days are taught over a six-month period utilising case study, group work and clinical simulation.
- > You will be given the opportunity to work permanently at Epworth HealthCare.
- > Professional development is assessed through completion of clinical hurdles and academic assessments.
- > Successful program completion is recognised by Deakin University and is awarded 1 credit point towards formal post graduate qualifications.

Assessment required

- > Attendance at each of the study days
- > Two formal assessments
- > Workplace competency hurdles
- > Oral group presentation
- > Written assignment

Pre-requisite learning

No pre-requisite learning is required.

Pathway to further study

Those who successfully complete this program are eligible to proceed with external studies. Epworth supports and assists staff to apply for the Graduate Certificate in Critical Care areas through targeted funding for Deakin University. This is a 1-year part time program. Epworth staff are able to apply for and may be eligible for scholarships through the Epworth Medical Foundation.

RN year 2 with recent acute care experience

TSP - Critical Care

Grad Cert Critical Care