

# National Intern Data Audit Intern Recruitment 2026

To meet the Medical Board of Australia's requirements for general registration, an internship can be completed in any state or territory of Australia.

## **Can I apply to more than one State or Territory for an intern position?**

Yes, you will need to apply separately to each state and territory where you would like to work. You will need to complete a separate application for each position, submit the documents, provide the information required and meet the selection requirements. As part of the application process each state and territory requires you to include your intern Placement Number (IPN).

## **What is an Intern Placement Number (IPN)?**

The Intern Placement Number is a unique nine-digit number which has been generated by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra) and has been provided to medical schools for distribution to all 2025 final year medical students. If you do not have an Intern Placement Number issued or you have misplaced it, you must contact your medical school to have the number issued or reissued. Do not contact Ahpra.

*Note:* The Intern Placement Number is not your University Student Identification Number.

## **Can I submit a late application?**

Acceptance of late applications is at the discretion of each state and territory.

## **When will offers be made?**

All states and territories will commence making offers for Rural Pathways on Monday 14 July 2025 and will commence making offers for all other Pathways on Wednesday 16 July 2025. The National Close Date for 2026 Intern Recruitment is Friday 17 October 2025.

## **What if I receive more than one offer?**

You need to decide where you would like to undertake your internship and accept this position and decline all other positions.

You should not hold onto more than one offer as this negatively impacts both the hospital that will have a vacancy if you fail to start work because you have started in another position in another state, and other applicants who would like to work at that hospital who cannot receive an offer for that vacant position.

## **What are the Medical Board of Australia-English language requirements?**

Interns applying for registration with the Medical Board of Australia must demonstrate that they have necessary English language skills for registration purposes (refer to outline of registration standards at <http://www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards.aspx>). Some applicants may need to complete International English Language Testing System (IELTS) proficiency or equivalent exams to demonstrate English language competency. Delays in obtaining medical registration and commencing as an intern may occur if the English language requirements have not been met.

## **What is the National Audit?**

States and territories share intern applicant information at pre-agreed dates. This data is then used to identify applicants who have applied for and/or accepted intern positions in more than one state/territory. Applicants who have accepted more than one intern position will be contacted by the National Audit Data Manager by phone or email and given 48 hours to withdraw from all intern positions, except the one where they intend to undertake their intern year.

### **What if I don't respond to the National Audit Data Manager?**

If you don't respond to the National Audit Data Manager and/or do not withdraw from all positions except one, the relevant states/territories where you have accepted an offer will be advised and all offers, except for the first offer you received may be withdrawn.

### **What is the Late Vacancy Management Process?**

The Late Vacancy Management (LVM) Process runs from Monday 10 November 2025 to Friday 20 March 2026. The process ensures any late vacancies are offered to eligible intern applicants who have not yet accepted an internship position.

The Late Vacancy Management Process will be coordinated by the National Audit Data Manager on behalf of states and territories. Please ensure you have updated your contact details if you are going overseas during the Late Vacancy Management Process period.

The National Audit Data Manager will send out emails on Monday 3 November 2025 to participants who will need to opt into the Late Vacancy Management Process if they still wish to receive an internship position offer in Australia.

***Please note that if an applicant does not respond to this email, they will no longer be eligible to receive an internship offer, and their application will no longer be considered in any Australian jurisdiction.***

### **Who can participate in the Late Vacancy Management Process?**

The process is open to medical graduates of AMC accredited medical schools who have applied for and are not holding a 2026 intern position through the Commonwealth or states and territories at the National Close Date for Intern Recruitment (17 October 2025). Participation in the LVM is an opt in process - you must confirm that you want to participate in the LVM by responding to the National Audit Data Manager by e-mail.

### **Commonwealth Junior Doctor Training Program Private Hospital Stream**

Information about the Junior Doctor Training Program Private Hospital stream is available on the Department of Health website: <https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/junior-doctor-training-program/private-hospital-stream>

**For further information, please contact your state/territory intern recruitment contact:**

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Victoria	<a href="mailto:allocations@pmcv.com.au">allocations@pmcv.com.au</a>	(03) 9670 1066
Tasmania	<a href="mailto:shelley.hampson@ths.tas.gov.au">shelley.hampson@ths.tas.gov.au</a>	(03) 6166 7538
Queensland	Log into your application or email <a href="mailto:Intern-Recruitment@health.qld.gov.au">Intern-Recruitment@health.qld.gov.au</a>	-
South Australia	<a href="mailto:HealthSAMET@sa.gov.au">HealthSAMET@sa.gov.au</a>	(08) 8226 7231
Western Australia	<a href="mailto:PMCWA@health.wa.gov.au">PMCWA@health.wa.gov.au</a>	(08) 9222 4010
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