

Information Pack 2026 Clinical Year



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About the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network Emergency Medicine Advanced Skills

Introduction

The Emergency Medicine Advanced Skills position within the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network is a full-time (negotiable) position based in Wallaroo Hospital.

We invite you to join a team of highly skilled Emergency Medicine Specialists, Rural Generalists, General Practitioners, Senior and Junior Medical Officers as well as experienced nursing staff. The department is a dynamic environment where no two days will be the same. Patients of all ages are seen with a wide variety of presentations.

The position is available to Postgraduate year 3 and above (PGY3+). The year will meet the requirements of the Australian College or Rural and Remote Medicine Advanced Specialised Training in Emergency Medicine (ACRRM AST EM) and FRACGP-RG ARST requirements including Diploma of Emergency Medicine.

Being a member of a smaller team of medical staff, you will have access to significant individual support from the YNLHN Medical Education Unit and you will also develop close working relationships with your junior and senior medical colleagues. The working culture at our hospitals and general practices embraces teamwork and recognises that all team members, including Trainee Medical Officers, are highly valued for the skills and knowledge they are able to contribute to patient care.

The Wallaroo Hospital and Health Service, Emergency Department treats over 9000 patients per year who present with a wide range of complaints including:

- Major and minor trauma
- Medical and Surgical Emergencies requiring immediate resuscitation including threatened airway, respiratory compromise, circulatory shock and myocardial infarction, neurological emergencies including stroke and seizures, and environmental/toxicological emergencies.
- Other acute illnesses or injuries not requiring resuscitation but require admission, transfer to other services as required outside of Yorke and Northern Local Health Network, or discharge with GP or outpatient follow up
- Psychiatric/mental health episodes

The Wallaroo Hospital and Health Service provides additional services including rehabilitation, audiology, cardiology, ear, nose and throat (ENT), endocrinology, gastroenterology, gynaecology, ophthalmology, orthopaedics, paediatrics, plastic surgery, radiation oncology, rheumatology, urology, vascular, chemotherapy, palliative care, social work, Community health, Aboriginal health, podiatry, speech pathology, physiotherapy.

Key Dates

| Expressions of Interest open: | Wednesday 11 June 2025 (09:00 am ACST) |
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| Expressions of Interest close: | Wednesday 2 July 2025 (11:55 pm ACST) |
| Referee reports close: | Wednesday 9 July 2025 (05:00 pm ACST) |
| Shortlisting commences: | Wednesday 23 July 2025 |
| Interviews: | August 2025 |
| Round 1 results available to applicants: | Thursday 18 September 2025 (1st preference matches only) |
| Round 2 results available to applicants (excluding general training): | Thursday 25 September 2025 (2 nd or higher preference matches) |
| Round 3 results available to applicants (excluding general training): | Thursday 2 October 2025 (3 rd or higher preference matches) |
| Round 4 onwards (including general training): | Thursday 9 October 2025 (4th or higher preference matches) |
| Start date of Term 1 Clinical Year: | Monday 2 February 2026 |

Number of positions for the 2025 Clinical Year



Yorke and Northern Local Health Network (YNLHN)

What can you expect from YNLHN

What should employees expect from the role?

The role will involve the registrar working alongside highly skilled Emergency Medicine Specialists, Rural Generalists, General Practitioners, Senior Medical Officers with extensive experience. Registrars will gain experience in assessment and management of acute and semi-acute presentations. The small team means that trainees can make the most of opportunities to perform procedures and experience a wide variety of clinical presentations across patients of all ages.

Does this program meet RACGP and ACRRM Training Requirements?

This post is planned for 2026 and will be submitted for accreditation with RACGP and ACRRM.

Where will I be based? Will I be expected to travel to other country locations?

Wallaroo Hospital. No need to travel to other sites.

Assistance with accommodation can occur on request.

What are the key outcomes of the program?

The aim of this program is to provide trainees with sufficient clinical experience and supervision support to meet the requirements of either the RACGP FRACGP – RG ARST or ACRRM AST in Emergency medicine.

Are contracts renewed every 12 months? If I want to stay on for an extra year, do I have to apply again?

This position is a 12-month contracted position. Contract can be extended if the trainee is enrolled in the RACGP or ACRRM training programs and wishes to complete their training with YNLHN. Access to the Single Employer Model (SEM) is available on request.

What education is provided?

A variety of teaching opportunities exist to support the ongoing education of the position. Regular teaching is provided within the unit. Registrars are encouraged to attend department meeting as well as Morbidity and Mortality meetings which are held regularly.

Registrars are supported to attend required workshops and training activities according to their college requirements.

The Rural Doctor Program hold weekly education for pre-vocational medical officers and monthly Practical Skills Days that the AST Trainee Medical Officer is welcome to participate in.

YNLHN supports trainees wishing to complete their Associateship Training programs with Australian College of Emergency Medicine.

How will supervision be provided? Will this vary from rotation to rotation?

Primary supervision will be provided by an Emergency Department Head of Unit holding a FACEM qualification. Clinical supervision will be provided by a suitably qualified Emergency Medicine Specialist, Rural Generalist, General Practitioner, or Senior Medical Officer.

What other support is provided?

The Executive Director of Medical Services, Director of Clinical Training and Medical Education Officer are available for professional, administrative and welfare support

The Medical Education Unit has an open-door policy where Trainees are encouraged to discuss any issues or concerns.

Will the TMO supervise interns/others in their role?

Trainees may be required to assist in the learning experience of medical students, Interns and prevocational Trainee medical officers.

Rotations at YNLHN

This position is based at Wallaroo Hospital.

Selection into Yorke and Northern Rural Doctor Program

About the selection panel

The selection panel may include:

- > The Director of Clinical Training
- > The Medical Education Officer
- > Relevant Primary Supervisor

Eligibility

Must have:

- > Completed a medical degree.
- Have general medical registration with the Medical Board of Australia.
- > Have completed internship and PGY2 year.
- > Be available for a 12-month commitment commencing February 2026.
- > Must have Australian Working Rights.
- > Be in a training program with either RACGP or ACRRM
- Have completed and submitted an online Expression of Interest, including the provision of valid supporting documentation, by the Expression of Interest closing date

Skills and knowledge required for the role

Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills

- > High level of skills in negotiation and communication.
- > Genuine empathy for patients and their relatives/family.
- > Ability to communicate confidently and appropriately with patients and their family/relatives.
- > Ability to work as a team member and individually.

- > Ability to work under pressure without compromising patient care.
- > Competency in range of routine and common procedural ward-based skills.
- > Skill in problem solving and decision making at both the clinical and the individual level.
- > Commitment to quality management philosophy.
- > Ability to respond positively to change.

Knowledge

- > Knowledge of contemporary medical practice and procedures appropriate to the level of the position.
- > Knowledge of investigations and treatments appropriate to the level of the position.
- Knowledge of Work, Health & Safety principles, and procedures.

Selection Process

Our approach to selection

At a minimum the selection process will involve assessing your:

- > Cover letter
- > Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- > Expression of Interest
- > Referee reports.
- > Appropriate completion and submission of required documentation
- > An interview.

All Expression of Interests will be scored/ranked for shortlisting. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a face to face or Teams interview, and in some circumstances, this can be conducted via teleconference.

SA Health will match the highest ranked candidates to the available positions of this program.

Your Expression of Interest

Your Expression of Interest must include:

- > Cover Letter addressing the selection criteria
- > A Curriculum Vitae.
- > Contact details from two referees in Australia who have worked with you in a clinical setting.

Curriculum Vitae

In your Curriculum Vitae you are required to carefully document any professional development you have undertaken including academic and clinical achievements, quality improvements and research.

You are required to include contact details from two referees in Australia who have worked with you in a clinical setting.

Cover letter

In no more than 300 words describe why training in the Yorke and Northern Local Health Network interests you?

What experience have you had of either living and / or working in a rural area or what personal strengths do you have which will assist you to live and work within a rural community?

Why do you want to complete an Emergency medicine Skills Training year?

Interview

Applicants who are shortlisted for an interview will be notified by mobile phone and/or email.

The intention of the interview is to ensure that candidates are the best fit for the role. Interview is likely to include invitation to describe previous experiences and some scenario-based question with the aim to evaluate candidates against selection criteria which include:

- 1. Demonstration of a genuine interest in living and working in a rural community.
- 2. Highly effective communication and collaboration skills in the clinical setting.

Frequently Asked Questions

I am unsure about moving to the country. Can I visit to look at the facilities prior to finalising my preferences?

The Yorke and Northern Local Health Network welcomes anyone who is interested to tour our region, meet our staff, supervisors, and current cohort to get a "real" feel for the region.

Will accommodation be provided?

Accommodation support is available through the YNLHN on request.

Will I be supported with relocation expenses?

We appreciate that moving house can put a strain on your finances, particularly prior to starting your new job. Please contact us to discuss what relocation support may be available and what documentation you will need to supply.

Will I need my own transport?

As our region is geographically vast, you may have the opportunity to attend educational activities or work-related commitments in other towns or outside of hours. Public transport options are not suitable to meet the full requirements of your role. You will, therefore, require a valid driver's licence and vehicle.

Can I get decent coffee and food?

The towns within the Yorke and Northern local health network have a variety of food and coffee options to rival the best cafes in Adelaide. Delicacies made from locally sourced produce and made by locals! There are a number of restaurants, breweries, distilleries, and wineries within the region for you to enjoy. Larger towns such as Clare, Port Pirie and Kadina have multiple fast food restaurant chains open late for any latenight needs.

What is there to do in the areas?

The Yorke Peninsula, Southern Flinders Ranges, the Mid North, and stunning Clare Valley Wine region are all within our LHN. It is a beautiful and diverse area of South Australia. It comprises breathtaking national parks, walking trails, cycling, art and photography, outback camping, four-wheel driving adventures, swimming, snorkelling and a wealth of dining experiences including wineries, breweries, and distilleries. Most within a two-hour drive from Adelaide!

The Medical Education Unit encourage trainees to explore the region and integrate into communities, so we are committed to limited overtime, flexible working hours and a focus on wellbeing. The Rural Doctor Program provides opportunities for medical staff to engage with and immerse themselves in the local Community.

Contacts

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Role Description

View Role Description here

Any further questions?

SA Health Salaried Medical Officers Enterprise Agreement 2022 here

Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra) registration standards here

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