

PGY2+ BHFLHN B-CET Program Rural Generalist / Generalist Training

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About the B-CET Program

BHF - Collaboration for Education and Training

The Barossa Hills Fleurieu B-CET program provides the foundation for a clinical career as a hospital-based specialist, general practitioner, rural generalist, or other area of medicine.

Barossa Hills Fleurieu LHN offers a diverse range of clinical experience for the PGY2+ trainee in rural and remote primary care and hospital environments including Victor Harbor, Kangaroo Island, Mt Pleasant, Strathalbyn, Gumeracha, Gawler, Mt Barker, Kapunda, Tanunda and Angaston.

PGY2+ medical officers receive a three-year contract with the option of extension as part of the Single Employer Model (SEM) for Rural Generalist Training. TMOs work as part of a small clinical team developing close working relationships with their colleagues and gaining invaluable hands-on clinical experience in a supportive teaching environment.

"Working in BHF means being part of really tight knit community of passionate doctors."

Claudia, TMO BHFLHN

"I feel an important and valued member of the team."

Hamish, TMO BHFLHN

"My favourite thing about working for BHF is that it feels like one giant family.

It is a place where everybody genuinely feels happy to be at work".

Jodie, TMO BHFLHN



Hear what our trainees think:

View Video of the B-CET Program (4 mins)

Key Dates

Wednesday 11 June 2025 (09:00 am ACST)
Wednesday 2 July 2025 (11:55 pm ACST)
Wednesday 9 July 2025 (05:00 pm ACST)
Wednesday 23 July 2025
August 2025
Thursday 18 September 2025 (1st preference matches only)
Thursday 25 September 2025 (2 nd or higher preference matches)
Thursday 2 October 2025 (3 rd or higher preference matches)
Thursday 9 October 2025 (4 th or higher preference matches)
Monday 2 February 2026

About the Barossa Hills Fleurieu Local Health Network

Barossa Hill Fleurieu is adjacent to metropolitan Adelaide, creating a balance of a country and metropolitan lifestyle. The region is home to historic towns such as Strathalbyn, Gumeracha and Tanunda and some of the fastest growing areas in the state, including Gawler, Victor Harbor and Mount Barker.

Gifted with stunning coastlines, rolling hills, adventure, and culinary delights the Barossa Hills Fleurieu offers a bit of everything. Whether it's a tree or sea change, the region can provide farm, forest and bush landscapes or pristine beaches and seaside towns.

Barossa Hills Fleurieu Health Network (BHFLHN) provides care for around 209,000 people living in the Barossa Hills Fleurieu area, including the communities of Barossa, Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu Peninsula and Kangaroo Island.

The BHFLHN manages eleven public hospitals and a range of community-based services delivering healthcare to 50% of South Australia's rural population. Services include emergency care, general medicine, surgery, geriatrics, anaesthesia, aboriginal health, obstetrics/gynaecology, paediatrics, renal dialysis, chemotherapy, rehabilitation, community nursing and allied health, mental health and palliative care.

The Health Network includes:

- > Angaston District Hospital
- > Eudunda Hospital
- > Gawler Health Service
- > Gumeracha District Soldiers Memorial Hospital
- > Kangaroo Island Health Service
- > Kapunda Hospital
- > Mount Barker District Soldiers' Memorial Hospital
- > Mount Pleasant District Hospital
- > Tanunda War Memorial Hospital
- > Southern Fleurieu Health Service

What can you expect from the B-CET program

Does this program meet RACGP and ACRRM Training Requirements?

For trainees wishing to pursue a career as a Rural Generalist or as a General Practitioner, the B-CET program enables them to complete all their training from internship to advanced skills training through to Fellowship with the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) and Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM).

In particular trainees may complete their paediatric requirements in the region for GP/Rural Generalist training and their anaesthetic, obstetric and emergency medicine requirements for ACRRM.

BHFLHN is accredited for the ACEM Associateship EM Program (Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced) and the RANZCOG Associateship Program for Procedural and Advanced Procedural Training.

"The supervisors are very keen to teach, and I have been able to practice many handson skills like intubation and spinal angesthetics."

Hamish, TMO BHFLHN

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

Trainees are based generally at one of three sites in the region (Victor Harbor, Gawler - Barossa, Mt Barker - Strathalbyn). Trainees may select to work at another site in the region to broaden their range of experience and choice of rotations. Accomodation is provided in these circumstances to facilitate support the rotation.

What are the key outcomes of the program?

The program aims to provide TMOs with key experiences in the management of patients in the rural setting. The Core Clinical experiences are mapped to the requirements of RACGP and ACRRM.

The B-CET program provides an excellent pathway to grow the clinical and professional skills that provide the foundation for a clinical career as a hospital-based specialist, general practitioner, rural generalist, or other area of medicine.

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BHFLHN has an increasing number of specialist training positions providing rural experience to trainees in tertiary based specialist training pathways including Internal medicine (BPT), Obstetrics, Emergency Medicine and Med Admin.

"I am proud to work in a network that values good culture, good people and a good work life balance."

Jodie, TMO BHFLHN

Are contracts renewed every 12 months?

PGY2+ medical officers receive a three-year contract with the option of extension as part of the Single Employer Model (SEM) for Rural Generalist Training. TMOs work as part of a small clinical team developing close working relationships with their colleagues and gaining invaluable hands-on clinical experience in a supportive teaching environment.

What education is provided?

A wide range of structured training is provided including:

- > Weekly face to face Tutorials
- > Teams based TMO Case Discussions,
- > Monthly B-CET Skills/Simulation workshops
- > (One to one) Bedside POCUS Training

"I really enjoyed all the educational opportunities like Bedside Ultrasound Training and Advanced Life Support."

Anna, TMO BHFLHN

How will supervision be provided?

TMOs work as part of a small clinical team developing close working relationships with their colleagues and gaining invaluable hands-on clinical experience in a supportive teaching environment.

At the commencement of a rotation the Term Supervisor provides an orientation to the term, ensures continuing feedback and supports the trainee with the completion of EPAs and assessments. Trainees work with a range of senior clinicians/consultants who act as clinical supervisors and provide additional support, supervision and teaching.

"I really appreciated the opportunity to work one on one with consultants both rural GPs and specialists and being given the autonomy to work up patient and form management plans independently but back up is always there when I need it."

What other support is provided?

A regional orientation at the commencement of the year together with weekly face to face training, monthly B-CET workshops and regular social activities foster the development of a strong peer to peer network and ensure a high level of support.

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Toby, TMO BHFLHN

The DCT and MEO meet with trainees face to face each month as part of the B-CET workshop program and are available to meet individually to discuss issues and advise on career pathways

Will the TMO supervise interns/others in their role?

TMOs may be required to assist in the learning experience of medical students and support interns. A senior supervisor is always present and on-site.

"All the staff have gone above and beyond to really look after our wellbeing."

Claudia, TMO BHFLHN

Rotations

The B-CET Program offers the following rotations:

- > Community and Emergency Paediatrics: Gawler, Mt Barker
- > Internal medicine: Gawler, Mt Barker, Victor Harbor
- Primary care: Barossa, Littlehampton/Mt Barker, Victor Harbor, Kangaroo Island
- > Anaesthesia: Mt Barker, Victor Harbor
- > Obstetrics and Gynaecology: Gawler, Mt Barker
- Emergency medicine: Gawler, Mt Barker, Victor Harbor
- > General Practice advanced skills: Skin Cancer, Palliative care, Geriatrics, Mental health, Aboriginal Health

Selection into the BHFLHN B-CET Program

About the selection panel

The selection panel for this program will include, but not limited to, a combination of the following:

- > Director of Clinical Training
- > Executive Director of Medical Services
- > Medical Education Officer
- Medical Workforce Manager

Eligibility

Must have:

- > Completed medical degree.
- > Have general medical registration with the Medical Board of Australia.
- > Have completed internship year.
- > Be available for a 12-month full-time commitment commencing February 2025.
- > Must have Australian Working Rights.

Skills and knowledge required for the role

Educational/Vocational Qualifications

> Medical Qualification registerable with the Medical Board of Australia.

Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills

- > Interest in experiencing rural learning environment.
- > Professional integrity.
- > Ability to work in a multidisciplinary team environment.
- > Commitment to quality improvement.
- > Ability to be adaptable to change.
- > Good Communication skills both verbally and in writing.
- > Proficient in using computers in various settings.
- Commitment to teaching medical students.

Experience

- > Successful completion of intern or intern equivalent program.
- Sound experience in procedural skills.
- > Sound examination and diagnostic skills in adult and paediatric medicine.
- > Good theoretical knowledge.

> Knowledge and awareness of quality improvement activities and clinical risk reduction and patient safety techniques.

Selection Process

The selection process will involve assessing your:

- > Curriculum Vitae.
- > Answers to Expression of Interest short answer questions.
- > Referee reports.
- > Appropriate completion and submission of required documentation
- > An interview.

All Expression of Interests are ranked for shortlisting. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a face to face or virtual interview via MS Teams.

Your Expression of Interest

Your Expression of Interest must include:

- > An Expression of Interest addressing the selection criteria
- > Current Curriculum Vitae.

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.

The contact details for three referees should also be current and accurate.

Other Expression of Interest questions

- > In no more than 300 words describe why rural general training 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?

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 they 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. Demonstrated ability to thrive in the rural context.
- 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?

We would encourage you to visit the region. The area is home to historic towns such as Strathalbyn, Gumeracha and Tanunda and some of the fastest growing areas in the state, including Gawler, Victor Harbor and Mount Barker. Gifted with stunning coastlines, rolling hills, adventure, and culinary delights the Barossa Hills Fleurieu offers a bit of everything. Whether it's a tree or sea change, the region can provide farm, forest and bush landscapes or pristine beaches and seaside towns.

Will accommodation be provided?

Accomodation is provided with several of primary care rotations eg Kangaroo Island and in some circumstances where you are undertaking a rotation outside your home region.

Will I need my own transport?

The region has limited public transport options. Some sort of private transport is highly recommended as the region is spread over quite a large area.

Do I need to arrange for a carpark?

The good news is that parking is is currently free of charge. Some areas require permits and time limits, but generally it is easy to park in or around the Hospitals.

Can I get decent coffee and food?

Yes, and yes. The region offers a wide range of eating and dining options with a wide variety of cafes and restaurants providing excellent coffee and modern food choices. The region boasts celebrated wineries and restaurants together with some of the best craft beers, gin distilleries and local fresh produce.

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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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