

BASIC PHYSICIAN TRAINING (PAEDIATRICS & CHILD HEALTH)

ENTRY

Basic Physician Training is the **first step** in a minimum six-year training program with the **Royal Australian College of Physicians (RACP)** to become a Pediatrician.

To apply to the Basic Physician Training (BPT) Program applicants must:

- Current general medical registration in Australia or New Zealand
- Minimum PGY1+
- Appointed to a training position at an RACP accredited training site
- Approved to apply for Basic Training by the Director of Physician Education

BASIC TRAINING PROGRAM

The **Basic Training (BT)** in Paediatrics & Child Health Program requires:

- 36 months of certified training consisting of:

Paediatric Rotations – min 24 months:

Required Rotations	Minimum
General Paediatric Medicine	9 months
Neonatology	3 months
Paediatric Emergency Medicine	3 months
Paediatric Specialty Rotations	3 months
Developmental and Psychosocial Training (during BT or AT)	No min

Optional Rotations – max 12 months:

Optional Rotations	Maximum
Neonatology in a non-perinatal NICU	12 months
Paediatric Anaesthetics	3 months
Paediatric Intensive Care	6 months
Paediatric Surgery	6 months
Paediatric Nights	6 months
Paediatric Relieving	6 months
Supervised Research, Clinical Improvement Projects or Adult medicine	6 months in total

Employed and Approved

Application
(after PGY1)
Basic Training

Basic Physician Trainee

Minimum 3 years

Required Rotations

minimum 24 months Core

+

Optional Rotations

maximum 12 months

+

Paediatric Advanced Life Support course

Pass Written Exam

Pass Clinical Exam

Select Advanced Training (AT) Program

The process and dates for applying for AT depends on the selected program

Secure AT position

at an accredited hospital

Application

for Advanced Training

Both new and current trainees need to apply/re-register for Basic Training annually.

FEES (AUD)

Basic Training Fee:	\$3,646
Written Exam:	\$1,986
Clinical Exam:	\$2,972
Faculty Clinical Exams:	\$2,972

For a full list of RACP fees:

<https://www.racp.edu.au/become-a-physician/fees>

Paediatrics & Child Health Training Requirements: The Physician Ready for Expert Practice (PREP):

<https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/basic-training/paediatrics-child-health>

Training Location Requirements:

Level 3, Level 2, and secondment Hospitals

<https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/basic-training/paediatrics-child-health>

In Victoria:

- **The Royal Children's Hospital & Monash Children's** currently hold Level 3 accreditation for this program.

Training at AWH:



Albury Wodonga Health is accredited for Paediatric training. We have doctors on secondment from Sydney Children's Hospital Network. We have registrars via the Victorian Paediatric Rural Advanced Training Program and the Victorian Paediatric Rural Basic Training Network.

Albury Wodonga Health is also accredited for 12 months Advanced Training in Community Paediatrics.

<https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/basic-training/moving-to-advanced-training>

AT

Paediatric & Child Health Division Programs (3 years)

- Cardiology (Paediatrics)
- Clinical Genetics
- Community Child Health
- Dermatology
- Endocrinology
- Gastroenterology
- General Paediatrics
- Clinical Haematology
- Clinical Immunology & Allergy
- Infectious Diseases
- Medical Oncology
- Neonatal and Perinatal Medicine
- Nephrology
- Neurology
- Nuclear Medicine
- Paediatric Emergency Medicine
- Respiratory & Sleep Medicine
- Rheumatology

Chapter Programs

(3 years)

- Paediatric Rehabilitation Medicine
 - Palliative Medicine
 - Sexual Health Medicine
- Trainees may also apply to enter Chapter Programs after obtaining Fellowship of another College*

Joint/Dual Programs

(4-5 years)

- Adolescent & Young Adult Medicine
- Endocrinology & Chemical Pathology
- Joint RACP/RCPA Haematology
- Joint Immunology & Allergy
- Infectious Diseases & Microbiology