**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)](https://www.racp.edu.au) 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

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](https://www.racp.edu.au/become-a-physician/fees)

**BASIC TRAINING PROGRAM**

The [Basic Training (BT)](https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/basic-training/paediatrics-child-health) in Paediatrics & Child Health Program requires:

- 36 months of certified training consisting of:

  **Required Rotations** – min 24 months:
  - 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:
  - 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

**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

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


**Training Location Requirements:**

Level 3, Level 2, and secondment Hospitals


**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.

**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
- Trainers 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

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This information sheet is intended as a summary to assist with career planning. While every effort has been made to ensure accuracy, details should be verified through the relevant Specialist College.