Clinical Placement Options for Students Not Seeking Victorian Internships

The Melbourne Medical School recognises that some Final Year students will be transitioning to practice in health systems outside Victoria, and they might prefer to rehearse the junior doctor role in that setting.

Students who do not take part in the Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria’s Medical Intern Match in favour of undertaking their first year of practice interstate or overseas may apply to complete one of the three four-week Transition to Practice clinical rotations in that location. Students who enter the PMCV Medical Intern Match are ineligible to apply to complete any Trainee Intern or Vocational Selective terms interstate or overseas.

Applications to complete one Trainee Intern term or the Vocational Selective term in a specific interstate or overseas placement must be submitted to the Transition to Practice subject coordinator by the end of April in the current year. Full details of the placement must be provided along with a written undertaking from the student’s proposed supervisor to fulfil the supervision and assessment requirements of the University of Melbourne’s MD course, and a supporting note from the student’s clinical school Director of Medical Education.

Please note that the Melbourne Medical School will only permit such an arrangement if it is satisfied that the student’s best interests will be served. Placements longer than four weeks will not be approved.

Application Process

Eligible students must complete the following steps in order to apply to undertake one Transition to Practice rotating term outside the state of Victoria:

1. Request a letter from the proposed supervisor, which contains an undertaking to complete the supervision as per the MEDS90025 subject requirements
2. Request a letter of support (email will suffice) from the relevant Director of Medical Education
3. Prepare a written application to the Transition to Practice subject coordinator, providing full details of the proposed placement
4. Submit the application, along with both letters of support to md-enquiries@unimelb.edu.au, to the attention of ‘The T2P Subject Coordinator’, by the end of April in the year of undertaking MEDS90025.