

To a large extent, the benefit you derive from your internship will depend on how you manage it. You will have many learning opportunities but they may also be lost unless you recognise them and actively engage in them. Please refer to your copy of the booklet “A Guide for Interns in Victoria” (provided in your Orientation Manual). The Guide provides an abundant amount of information on the competencies and educational opportunities you are required to meet during your intern year, and is also a wonderful tool when discussing your learning objectives with your Supervisor.

The M2M Education Program will include:-

Compulsory Attendance

- 10 x Medical Education Sessions over the year – these will generally be a mixture of Paediatric and Geriatric topics. The list attached gives you all the dates and times for these sessions and if you are in a location other than the one the “speaker” is at, they will all be available via Videoconference wherever you are located. A flyer for each one will be emailed to you as a reminder each month.
- 7 x Skills Workshops – these are run on a Saturday. You will find if a skills workshop occurs during your GP rotation you will be rostered for a day off during the preceding or following week to keep within the 38 hour week work hours. If you are at Northeast Health Wangaratta or Albury Wodonga Health at the time, we have requested you not be rostered on those Saturdays – but please check this when you get your roster at the time. If you have mistakenly been rostered to work on a day of a Skills Workshop, please see the HMO Manager to arrange a swap. Dates of the workshops are also on the attached list.

Clinical Reviews & Grand Rounds (Intern to present at one of each)

Each intern must present at **one** Clinical Grand Round (GR) and **one** Clinical Review Meeting (CR) whilst on their GP Rotation. Dates have been scheduled for each small rural health service/GP Practice and these are listed on the attached list as well. These meetings are “internal” to the health service **and you are only required to attend the one that you are presenting at**, ie. The intern at Cobram would not have to go to the GR or CR at Yarrowonga. You will be provided with a ‘timeline’ schedule at the start of your GP rotation with instructions on the process for developing the GR & CR.

Note:

Difference between the M2M “Clinical Review” and M2M “Grand Round”

Clinical Review

The clinical review meeting concentrates on the individual case, which has presented dilemmas in diagnosis and/or treatment. These are patients who in many instances have been referred to a larger hospital. However the underlying question being asked –could we have done things differently for a better outcome? The answer to this is not necessarily “yes” –in fact often in this, an outside discussant reflecting on the outcome may have not been different irrespective of what has been done.

For instance the clinical review could be of a child with severe asthma who required referral to a larger hospital and following how the child progressed in the larger hospital

Grand Round

The Grand Round is highlighting a disease process through patient management of a particular known condition. The patient history is important in being able to compare and contrast the course of this patient with others with similar disease together with the outcome at the point of time when you are presenting the particular case –cured, improved, deteriorated, deceased. A Grand Round gives you the opportunity to be able to talk about the particular disease and the wider ramifications of such a disease in the community. The outside expert discussant brings that knowledge plus a wealth of experience.

For instance, the case may be of a woman with cervical cancer and while the patient outcome is important, a Grand Round allows one to talk about the measures which are being taken to prevent cervical cancer and how well they are progressing. It enables the most up-to-date data on a particular condition to be presented.

Optional Education Opportunities

There will be a number of various education opportunities provided to you at all health services including Northeast Health Wangaratta and Albury Wodonga Health as well as your 'parent' small rural health service and many at your GP Clinic. You will find these advertised throughout your rotations.

Some of the local opportunities include:-

- Geriatrician Education Sessions – these are held at Yarrawonga and Alpine Health.
- Yarrawonga Cobram Doctors Study Group – 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month in the evening at the Yarrawonga Clinical Education Centre.
- You are also more than welcome to attend any of the M2M Grand Rounds that your fellow intern may be presenting at.
- Many health services will also hold their own education days such as Simulation Training and Scenarios so keep an eye out for any invitations to these.
- Most GP Clinics and health services also hold their own weekly Doctor's Journal Club which we encourage our interns to attend when they can.

Intern Education Record Log Book

You will find this log book in your Manual and we encourage you to record all of your education attendance in the log book.

Evaluation of Teaching Sessions

You will also be provided with some blank Evaluation of a Teaching Session forms. At many education sessions and workshops you will be given Evaluations to complete but if you attend any other education where an Evaluation has not been provided, please complete one of these forms and send through to Wendy when complete.
