

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

SECTION A: Position Context

Position Title	Public Health Registrar Training Position
Position Number	
Classification	SRO1 \$86,914 per annum (FTE salary)
Centre	Population Health
Location	85 Commercial Road Melbourne
Effective Date	August 2016

Burnet Overview

Burnet Institute is a leading Australian medical research and public health organisation focused on improving the health of poor and vulnerable communities. The Institute's culture links innovative discovery-oriented research with development and humanitarian action. World-class laboratory and field-based research is integrated into multidisciplinary programs aimed at the prevention, detection and treatment of diseases of global significance. This unique approach allows the Institute to make a tangible and sustainable impact on health in both developed and developing countries.

The medical research and public health programs conducted by Burnet Institute encompass six key themes: infectious diseases, maternal and child health, sexual and reproductive health, alcohol, drugs and harm reduction and immunity, vaccines and immunisation.

The Institute also undertakes innovative epidemiological research, including surveillance and modelling complemented by participatory social research at international and regional levels, and with governments, civil society and communities in more than 40 countries.

Burnet has three Centres – Biomedical Research, Population Health and International Health that represent our key areas of research and public health.

Position Purpose:

The Centre for Population Health at the Burnet Institute is offering a registrar training position in public health medicine as part of the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine (AFPHM) advanced training program. Commencing in February 2017, funding is available to support two positions until January 2018. Applicants considering part time training are welcome to apply.

Advanced Training in Public Health Medicine provides trainees with experience in the practice of public health medicine in appropriately supervised and supported environments. Trainees acquire the knowledge, skills and attitudes of a public health physician by completing, with guidance from regional education coordinators, supervisors, and mentors, placement in a variety of public health activities.

The Burnet Institute will provide a highly innovative public health training program that will complement more traditional models of public health training occurring elsewhere in Australia. The training program will ensure our trainees become future leaders in the field of public health.

This training will equip advanced trainees in a broad range of competencies required by all public health physicians and provide them with the opportunity to conduct project work and research that directly impacts the health of Australians and people in our region who have the greatest needs. Burnet staff work in a variety of settings, including clinics, laboratories, and community outreach in both Australia and some of the poorest countries in the Asia and Pacific regions.

Our public health practice encompasses translational and operational research, public health program design and implementation, policy development, and teaching and capacity development. Our staff includes Fellows of the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine, Fellows of Royal Australasian College of Physicians, as well as staff with considerable experience in the teaching and mentoring of students more broadly including directs supervision of post graduate degrees and running and teaching various post graduate courses such the Master of Public Health. As such, the Institute can provide a balanced range of effectively supervised and supported training opportunities to ensure that service and training needs are met.

The training program consists of four key rotations:

1. Management of Complex Chronic Disease in a Community Setting
2. Indigenous Health and Health Practice in Remote Communities
3. Surveillance and Public Health Program Evaluation
4. Public Health Research

The specific structure of the Trainees program will be modified depending on the trainee's interests, current projects within the Centre for Population Health and the requirements of the AFPHM Advanced Training Program.

In addition programs for students within the Centre for Population Health that aim to develop to learning specific technical skills from their rotations, trainees will have the opportunity to be involved in training highly-skilled, articulate, clear-thinking, well-rounded public health specialist and researchers primed to become leaders in their fields and who draw deep satisfaction from ongoing scholarship and the translation of their scholarship into public health practice.

These positions are accredited training positions in Public Health Medicine as part of the AFPHM Advanced Training Program. As such the trainee must comply with the learning requirement of the AFPHM as outlined in the *Public Health Medicine 2016 Handbook*.

<https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/advanced-training/advanced-training-programs/public-health-medicine>

Supervision Reporting Relationships:

<u>This</u> positions' supervisor/manager	Professor Margaret Hellard, Dr Joseph Doyle
Other positions reporting to <u>this</u> position	None

Occupational Health and Safety

The Burnet has a commitment to providing a safe and healthy workplace in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004. All staff are obliged to take all reasonable care to ensure that their actions do not place themselves or others at risk.

SECTION B: Key Selection Criteria

Qualifications	Essential/ Preferable
Have general medical registration with the Medical Board of Australia	Essential
At least three years post graduate medical experience (which may include one year of full-time study toward a Master of Public Health (MPH))	Essential
MPH degree (or equivalent degree) that satisfies the AFPHM compulsory core discipline areas or current enrolment in a Master of Public Health course at the time of application	Essential

Experience / Knowledge / Attributes		
1.	Interest in public health, infectious diseases, epidemiology	Essential
2.	Demonstrated ability to meet deadlines	Essential
3.	Attention to detail and understanding of the importance of producing quality data	Essential
4.	Experience in working in community based settings	Preferable
5.	Experience in working with vulnerable and marginalised populations	Preferable
6.	Capacity to spend time in rural and regional Victoria and international locations	Preferable
7.	Report writing skills	Preferable

Other Requirements

The Burnet Institute is a child safe organisation. The incumbent of this position may be required to undergo a Police Check and a Working with Children Check as a condition of their employment.

Further Information:

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