NEW TO PACU PROGRAMME

The New to PACU programme is for new graduate nurses and experienced registered nurses wishing to start their career in the exciting field of Post Anaesthetic Care nursing.

The Operating Rooms and Anaesthesia Department has 35 operating theatres within 5 operating room suites and 5 PACU’s across 2 sites in central Auckland. We are a tertiary institution with a strategic alliance to The University of Auckland. We serve the population of the Auckland area but receive referrals from throughout New Zealand for specialist services not offered elsewhere. Each of the 5 departments has a Nurse Manager, Charge Nurses, Nurse Educator and trained preceptors to assist with the welcoming and orientation of new staff members.

Acceptance onto this programme involves an initial 12 week training course at the start of employment covering aspects of speciality practice within PACU/Pre-Op/ORDA. Ongoing support is provided by our experienced nurse educators.

This programme involves attendance at study days and will require you to work in one of the following units:

**Starship Children’s Health - PACU**
We cover all acute and elective procedures in the paediatric specialities of General, Urology, Endoscopy, Oncology, ORL, Dental, Minor Neuro, Orthopaedics, Plastics and Cardiac. We operate and provide post anaesthetic care to babies and children up to the age of 15 years from the greater Auckland region and the South Pacific. Starship PACU nurses work Monday to Sunday with night shift hours covered by an on call roster.

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Greenlane Surgical Unit, PACU, Greenlane Clinical Centre
Our Greenlane Surgical Unit (previously known as Short Stay Surgical Unit) cares for all patients undergoing ambulatory surgery as well as some short stay in-patient procedures. We cater for patients undergoing general surgery, oral health, carpal tunnels, gynae, ophthalmology, pain and urology procedures. This unit operates on adults and children. This unit a Monday to Friday service with out of hours covered by on call.

Cardiothoracic & Otorhinolaryngology (ORL) PACU Level 4, Auckland City Hospital
Level 4 Operating Rooms operate on adult ORL (major head and neck) and adult cardiothoracic patients, including heart and lung transplantation. Paediatric cardiac surgery is also part of this service. Level 4 PACU nurses work Monday to Friday with night shift rotation on Level 8 PACU.

Adult and Emergency, PACU Level 8, Auckland City Hospital
Our largest PACU service covers a broad range of acute and elective specialties – trauma, general, vascular, colorectal, breast, head and neck, hepatobiliary, neurosurgery, orthopaedics and transplantation (kidney, liver and pancreas). The department provides a 24-hour, 7 days a week service. Staff participate in rostered shifts, including night duty and on call.

Women’s Health, PACU Level 9, Auckland City Hospital
Acute and elective obstetrics and gynaecology is performed on level 9 at Auckland City Hospital. The department provides a 24-hour, 7 day a week service therefore, staff participate in rostered shifts and on call.
Successful candidates are employed into one of the 5 PACU suites. Employment is full time for the duration of the programme. Initially this is a 5 days per week programme and rostered shifts will be specific to each individual unit. Full rostered shifts commence when unit specific orientation is complete. The length of this orientation depends upon the area of employment.

For new graduate nurses, the New to PACU Programme runs in conjunction with the New Entry to Practice programme.

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