

# Gradstart and Midstart Program



Health care has always been at the forefront for the Macarthur region, when over a century ago in 1899 the community raised funds to build their first hospital. Camden Cottage opened initially with only 12 beds and, as the community grew in size, so did the need for another hospital.

Once again, the community raised funds for a new hospital, and with the help of the NSW Government, Campbelltown Hospital was opened in 1977. Both hospitals have seen increases in facilities and have grown in size to accommodate the ever-growing community living in the south west.

The two hospitals deliver quality health care to the community, providing a range of services including cardiology, maternity, gynaecology, palliative care, respiratory, stroke medicine, surgery, emergency medicine, intensive care, paediatrics and aged-care services. The hospitals share a network of staff and services and work closely with leading health care providers to ensure each patient benefits from the latest technology and specialist care. Campbelltown hospital has recently undergone a \$632 million redevelopment, which opened in June 2022.

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| Stream                              | Gradstart RN / Gradstart RM / Midstart  |
| Duration                            | Offers a 12 month program<br>Includes 2 x six month rotations   |
| Intake dates<br>(subject to change) | Intakes are February, March and May each year   |
| Rotations / specialties             | To provide you with a range of experiences, each applicant is typically offered a rotation on an inpatient ward and then a specialty unit (subject to numbers and availability)<br><b>Ward</b> - Medical, Surgical, aged care<br><b>Specialty</b> - Emergency Department, Operating Suites, Paediatric, Intensive Care, Coronary Intensive Care, Midwifery, Neonatal and specialty sub-acute wards including Rehabilitation and Palliative Care |
| Orientation and support             | We offer a four day dedicated face-to-face orientation at the start of the program<br>Three days supernumerary time is then allocated at each rotation<br>Preceptorship<br>Gradstart Coordinator  |
| Study days / education              | Five targeted study days throughout the year, including monthly education forums  |
| Other information                   | Options for second year development and beyond, scholarships, training, etc.  |