

Nowra Private Hospital



Hospital Description

Owned and operated by Ramsay Health Care, Australia's largest and most respected operator of private hospitals, Nowra Private Hospital is a 84 -bed acute care facility, which has provided services to the population of the NSW South Coast for 25 years. The hospital is located 130km south of Sydney and 10km from the coast and beaches for which the South Coast is renowned. Nowra Private Hospital is a significant provider of hospital services in the district, servicing not only a long coastal strip but also a significant tourist population. Facilities include a 6-bed High Dependency/Critical Care Unit and also a Rehabilitation Unit with hydrotherapy pool. The Hospital provides comprehensive Medical/Surgical services. Nowra Private Hospital has established an excellent reputation in the community for its high commitment to customer service, staff satisfaction and quality improvement.

Program commencement dates

New Graduate Nurse program dates

- 52 week program
- 2-3 graduates inducted per annum
- Commencement – February and August
- 3 rotations of 4 months each
- Annual leave as per Registered Nurse Agreement (4 weeks per year)
- Hours of duty – 76 hours per fortnight, or part time available (conditions apply) rostered all shifts, subject to negotiation (self rostering)

What kind of rotations do we offer?

Rotations are available in a variety of specialties including:

- ⇒ Medical Ward incorporating Short Stay Surgical and Day Surgery rotations
- ⇒ Orthopaedic ward incorporating HDU and Rehabilitation
- ⇒ Operating Theatres incorporating Recovery ward, Peri-operative and CSD

Brief descriptions of each area you rotate through

Medical Unit

This is a 10 bed unit, it also includes an oncology department that functions as a day-only chemotherapy area.

The ward caters for specialties in Respiratory Medicine, Cardiovascular Disease, Musculo-skeletal Disorders, Wound Management, Aged and Palliative Care and reconditioning.



Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation Ward

This ward has 36 beds split between joint replacement surgery and Rehabilitation patients many of which may have had previous joint replacements.

Since the commencement of the Rehab facility there has been a steady stream of referrals from local and Sydney areas, with an interest to further develop the provision of care.

The Rehab Physician, along with the RMO., Nursing Staff and Allied Health Team formulate care plans specific to the rehab pt.s which includes the use of the gym and hydrotherapy pool.

High Dependency Unit

The **HDU** is a 6 to 7 bed combined unit. The HDU unit provides bedside cardiac and hemodynamic monitoring linked to a central monitor. Patients admitted to HDU include acute care cardiac patients, respiratory, renal, acute medical, general surgical and Orthopaedic patients.

Short Stay Surgical Unit (SSU)

This is a 20 bed surgical ward with a case mix of General Surgery, Orthopedics, Ophthalmology, Gynaecology, Urology, Dental, Plastics, E.N.T. including paediatric, and caters for the overflow of the Day Surgery Unit.



DSU

It is a second stage recovery unit separate to the operating theatre with 9 beds and 5 recliners. Predominantly a Monday to Friday unit of day surgery cases from all specialties.

Operating Theatre

Is a three theatre complex offering elective general surgery, Orthopaedics, Gynaecology, plastic surgery, urology, ophthalmic surgery, ENT and dental surgery as well as an anaesthetic service.



The theatre is staffed by peri-operative registered and enrolled nurses, anaesthetic techs visiting medical officers, auxiliary support staff and external providers from surgical companies. There is provision for last minute additional elective surgery and limited out of hour emergency work. During the rotation here, 4 months are spent within the theatres and it is anticipated that the graduate nurse develops a clearer understanding to the needs and management pre and post operatively of surgical patients as well as the setting grounding to go on to peri-operative nursing if elected.

General information

At Nowra Private Hospital staff and customer satisfaction are a strong driving force for quality improvement. We are extremely team focused and as a smaller hospital within the Ramsay group we function as one big team with many smaller teams working at various levels.

At Nowra Private Hospital we are committed to education and have a demonstrated continuous commitment to New Graduate Nurses. We have been running New Graduate Nurse Programs for the last 9 years and each time we run it we aim to improve upon the last program.



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Education

Education budgets are structured strategically to facilitate the training needs of the hospital and staff; including attending conferences, workshops and post grad certificate. Free access to the Ramsay Health Care E- learning site and library



Orthopaedic workshop

Our staff expertise

We have CNS's in each department, including most specialties such as Orthopaedic, Cardiac/ Critical Care, Rehab, Diabetes, Infection Control, Stoma therapy, Oncology, Urology and Perioperative.

We have 2 levels of preceptors for RN's, EEN's and AIN's.

Employee Benefits

At Nowra Private Hospital a lot leisure time activities are focused around our local area attributes. For example many of our staff are keen SCUBA divers, fisher-people, 4wd drivers, campers, cyclists and bushwalkers. There are plenty of local produce suppliers including wineries and growers markets in the Shoalhaven area. For night life the Nowra Entertainment centre attracts international as well as local acts. The staff at the hospital organize plenty of social events such as trips to Sydney for Shows and/or shopping and even sporting events.



The Nowra Private Hospital team
Great support for charity events such as the city to surf

Transport and parking

We have sufficient onsite site parking with security and are within walking distance from Nowra township a short taxi ride from the train station

Contact details

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