# Infectious Diseases Advanced Training in NSW – selection into accredited core training positions in centralised matching process

#### <u>Training program requirements</u>

Potential applicants should first review the requirements for Advanced Training in Infectious Diseases or the Joint Training Program for Infectious Diseases and Microbiology.

https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/advanced-training/advanced-training-programs/infectious-diseases

https://www.racp.edu.au/trainees/advanced-training/advanced-training-programs/infectious-diseases-and-microbiology

Microbiology training positions are recruited separately through the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia.

https://www.rcpa.edu.au/

https://www.rcpa.edu.au/Library/College-Policies/Guidelines/Selection-of-Trainees

Some Infectious Diseases training positions may be suitable for completion of the microbiology training requirements for trainees in the Infectious Diseases program.

## Information session

A centralised on-line information session where applicants can hear presentations from all sites and ask any questions will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024 from 5:30pm to 7.00pm on Teams. Prospective applicants can contact Christine Chapman (email: <a href="mailto:Christine.Chapman1@health.nsw.gov.au">Christine.Chapman1@health.nsw.gov.au</a>) to be added to the invitation list. Contact details for each site are also listed below if prospective applicants would like to contact sites for additional information about the site/facilities/training program/research opportunities.

## Single interview and blinded preference matching

A single centralised interview with representatives of all training facilities will be convened.

Preference matching for NSW Infectious Diseases advanced training positions will be undertaken using the same algorithm that is used for basic physician training program matching. Trainees should rank according to their preference even if they think they are unlikely to get into their most preferred hospital as the trainee will get the most preferred site that they are eligible for. The site convenors will not see the trainee's preference form.

This video explains the matching algorithm (except the binding nature of offers):

https://www.nrmp.org/intro-to-the-match/how-matching-algorithm-works/

Each site and each candidate submit blinded rankings to HealthShare who undertake the match. If a trainee does not submit a preference for all sites they may not receive an offer even if a site ranked them as eligible in their ranked list.

Trainees should rank any training site that they would accept an offer from but should not rank a site that they would not accept an offer from. No applicants are guaranteed an interview or a position.

Applicants must not be asked to declare their preference verbally or in writing to any site except through the blinded ranking form submitted to Healthshare for the official preference matching process.

Prospective applicants who do not have Australian or New Zealand citizenship or Australian permanent residency status should not apply in first round, but can apply in second or subsequent recruitment rounds if there are vacancies as Australian or New Zealand citizens and Australian permanent residents must be offered positions before people without such residency status.

## Recruitment contacts for 2025

Hospital	Name	Email	Phone
Blacktown Hospital	1.Adrian Ong 2.Lucy Somerville	Adrian.Ong@health.nsw.gov.au Lucy.Somerville@health.nsw.gov.au	0408281460
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Gosford Hospital	1.Mark Robertson 2.Ruchir Chavada	Mark.Robertson@health.nsw.gov.au Ruchir.Chavada@health.nsw.gov.au	0431015000
John Hunter Hospital	Robert Pickles	Robert.Pickles@health.nsw.gov.au	4922 3444
Liverpool Hospital	Ruchir Chavada	Ruchir.Chavada@health.nsw.gov.au	8738 5124
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Prince of Wales Hospital	Kristen Overton	Kristen.Overton@health.nsw.gov.au	9382 3405
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