

Specialist Medical Unit

C1 West | Gold Coast University Hospital

H1 East | Robina Hospital

The Specialist Medical Unit (SMU) has multiple sub-specialties including neurological, cardiac, bariatric and immunology. SMU is a dynamic, busy unit which provides patient focused, family friendly care. Care provided by integrated medical, nursing and allied health teams, dedicated to providing world class, time sensitive and patient centred care.

Professional Opportunities

- Contribution to research
- Succession planning
- Journal club
- Daily inservices/professional development
- Clinical and leadership development
- Allocation to portfolio with responsibility for service performance monitoring
- Sharing professional development

Educational Resources

- SMU operational map to guide clinical skills and clinical knowledge development
- Clinical skills assessment and learning packages
- Clinical facilitator
- Preceptor program
- Entry to practice team
- Orientation program
- Clinical workshops

Learning Opportunities

- Telemetry monitoring
- Respiratory isolation and infectious disease
- Procedural nursing within the clinical measurements unit
- Neurology care
- Advanced clinical assessments
- Critical thinking
- Partnering with community and non government organisations
- Contribution to National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards (NSQHSS) portfolio work
- IDC insertion
- NGT insertion
- Peripheral IV cannulation
- Venepuncture
- PICC lines
- Pain management
- CADD pump management
- End of life care
- Wound care
- High acuity patients
- Post ICU patients MDT and allied health team approach
- Management of Chest Drains
- PCA management

