



Nursing, Nambour General Hospital Medical Assessment and Planning Unit (MAPU)

Location

Hospital Road, Nambour QLD 4560

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Block 2, Ground Floor

Shift Times

Early (E)	Late (LE)	Late (L)	Night (NW)	Night (N)
0700 - 1530	1300 - 2130	1430 - 2300	2100 - 0700	2245 - 0715

Shift times may vary dependant on the clinical requirements of each area, please ensure you are familiar with your rostered shift times and any variances at commencement of placement (weekend shift times etc)

Placement Details

Medical Assessment and Planning Unit (MAPU) is a unit which provides rapid physician assessment, early referral and intervention from allied health, priority investigations, and a multidisciplinary approach to discharge planning. The unit accepts patients presenting with an acute medical illness from Emergency Department. Within 48 hours of the admission patients should have completed assessment and treatment and be ready for discharge, or, if requiring further inpatient care, be transferred to the appropriate inpatient ward.

Common admission criteria:

- Gastrointestinal System conditions/bleeding
- Respiratory Conditions/Infections/ Pulmonary Embolism (PE)
- Cardiac conditions – Chest pain/Heart Failure/Ischemic Heart Disease (IHD), Syncope and/or Collapse
- Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)
- Fever/Sepsis
- Diabetes
- Alcohol/substance abuse/Mental Health
- Kidney and Urinary Tract Infections
- Neurological conditions – Seizure, Transient Ischemic Attack (TIA)
- Multiple co-morbidities requiring assessment

Learning Objectives/Opportunities

- Assessment, prioritisation and time management skills
- Complex medication management including management of transfusions and infusions
- IDC insertion and management
- Participating/observing in deteriorating patients & medical emergencies
- Participating/observing in health education and advanced communication skills
- Liaising with Medical and Allied Health services to facilitate admission to discharge

Pre- reading/revisiting

Anatomy and pathophysiology, comprehensive primary and secondary assessments and prioritisation of complex care would be recommended prior to commencement of clinical placement. Know your vital observation ranges/parameters.