



Nursing, Nambour General Hospital Medical Inpatient Unit – 4FW

Location

Hospital Road, Nambour QLD 4560

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Block 3, Orange Lifts, Level 4

Shift Times

Early (E)	Late (LE)	Late (L)	Night (NW)	Night (N)
0700 - 1530	1300 - 2130	1430 - 2300	2100 - 0700	2230 - 0700

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

4FW is an acute medical inpatient unit with a primary focus on general medical patients. The unit receives short to long stay patients via the Emergency Department and Medical Assessment and Planning Unit (MAPU).

There will be a variety of conditions and disease processes on 4FW, for example:

- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
- Pleural Effusion
- Community Acquired Pneumonia
- Upper and Lower Respiratory tract infections
- Urinary Tract Infections (Urosepsis)
- Diabetes
- Cardiac & Fluid Overload, Congestive Cardiac Failure (CCF), Angina, Hypertension (HTN)
- Cellulitis
- General infections
- Infected wounds

Learning Objectives/Opportunities

- Assessment skills
- Clinical bedside handover
- Complex medication management
- Management of transfusions (Blood) and infusions (Iron and Insulin)
- Management of the deteriorating patient & medical emergencies
- Participating/observing in health education and advanced communication skills
- Wound care
- Liaising with Medical and Allied Health services to facilitate the patient journey from admission, care provision and back to the community
- ECG's, NIKI Pumps, High Flow Therapy (HFT), Spirometer

Pre-reading/revisiting

Anatomy and pathophysiology of patients with COPD, diabetes, ischaemic heart disease and understanding a comprehensive systematic assessment would be recommended prior to commencement of clinical placement.