



## Nursing, Sunshine Coast University Hospital General Surgical - 4B

### Location

6 Doherty Street,  
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**Purple Lift** Level 4

### Shift Times

Early (ED)	Early (E)	Late (LE)	Late (L)	Night (ZW)	Night (Nt)
0630 - 1500	0700 - 1530	1300 - 2130	1430 - 2300	2100 - 0730	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

4B is a 32-bed general surgical ward and high acuity step-down ICU/HDU unit. There will be a variety of conditions and surgical interventions on 4B, for example;

- Major Small & Large Bowel Procedures
- Appendectomy –Malignant-Peritonitis
- Other Digestive System Diagnosis e.g. hepatobiliary
- Mastectomies
- Hernia Procedures
- Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy
- Urinary Stones & Obstruction
- Major Male Pelvic Procedures
- Transurethral Procedures
- Gastro-intestinal Obstruction
- Gynaecological Procedures
- Trauma

### Learning Objectives/Opportunities

- Assessment skills
- Complex medication management
- Management of transfusions and infusions
- Participating/observing in deteriorating patients & surgical emergencies
- Participating/observing in health education and advanced communication skills
- Wound/Stoma care
- Insertion and management of chest drains, nasogastric tubes (NGT), indwelling catheters (IDC)
- Pre- and post-operative care management
- Epidural and patient controlled analgesia (PCA) care and management
- Hi flow oxygen
- Pain Management

**Pre- reading/revisiting** - Preoperative preparation and postoperative management and understanding a comprehensive assessment and prioritisation of complex care would be recommended prior to commencement of clinical placement.