



Nursing, Sunshine Coast University Hospital Renal and General Medicine – 3C

Location

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Orange Lifts Level 4

Shift Times

Early (ED)	Late (LE)	Late (L)	Night (ZW)	Night (Nt)
0630 - 1500	1300 - 2130	1430 - 2300	2100 - 0700	22.30 – 07.00

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

Ward 3C is a 32-bed acute medical unit with a primary focus on Renal and General Medical patients. 3C is also the admitting ward for Queensland Eating Disorder Service (QuEDS) patients.

The unit receives short to long stay patients via the Emergency Department/ Transit and Intensive Care Unit (ICU). There will be a variety of conditions and disease processes on 3C, these include but are not limited to;

- Acute and Chronic renal disease
- Peritoneal Dialysis
- Haemodialysis
- Eating Disorders
- Diabetes
- General medical patients

Learning Objectives/Opportunities

- Assessment skills
- Diagnostic procedures (medical imaging, biopsies, pathology)
- Overall care of renal patients
- Care of the Transplant patient
- Care of the Arterio-Venous Fistula (AVF)/Arterio-Venous Graft (AVG)
- Care of the Haemodialysis and Peritoneal Dialysis patient
- Complex medication management
- Management of transfusions and infusions
- Medical Stabilisation of Refeeding Syndrome
- Participating/observing in deteriorating patients & 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 to care and back to the community



Pre- reading/revisiting: - Anatomy and pathophysiology of patients with renal disease and understanding a comprehensive assessment would be recommended prior to commencement of clinical placement. SCHHS LMS has a Renal Nursing Fundamentals, Peritoneal Dialysis and Haemodialysis course available. You will receive an orientation pack on commencement of placement, please take the time to familiarise yourself with the information and understand the importance of appropriate communication with QuEDS patients, this will promote patient safety, therapeutic communication and professional development.