

# Registered Nurse GradStart 2025

## St George Hospital & Community Health Service

### Why St George Hospital for your GradStart year?

St George Hospital offers the opportunity for new Registered Nurses to develop your clinical skills and practice across a wide range of services. As one of the busiest hospitals in metropolitan Sydney you will have the opportunity to work alongside a wide range of inpatient and community-based health services.

St George Hospital is an accredited, principal teaching hospital of the University of New South Wales and is not only the largest hospital within the Local Health District but is among the leading centres for trauma and emergency management in the State. The Hospital has a very high trauma load and accepts referrals from outside its immediate area. The hospital's areas of special expertise also include cancer services, critical care, cardiothoracic surgery, mental health services and women's and children's health care.

St George Hospital is undergoing a significant redevelopment that will bring together a range of day only, ambulatory and outpatient services that are delivered from a number of locations around the hospital campus at this time. This will improve accessibility for patients and their carers, particularly for those

less mobile or who have chronic health conditions.

St George Hospital is in southern Sydney, situated adjacent to Botany Bay. The area is bounded by Cooks River in the north, Georges River in the south, Botany Bay in the east and Salt Pan Creek in the west.

As a new Registered Nurse, St George Hospital will provide you a wide range of specialist nursing experiences and educational opportunities. We encourage and support you to undertake some of the many courses offered through both the hospital and the Local Health District.

The range of clinical settings available to you as a new Registered Nurse include:
Emergency care (adult and paediatric);
Intensive Care; Coronary Care; Perioperative Services; General Medicine and Surgery;
Paediatrics; Orthopaedics; Mental Health;
Respiratory; Aged Care; Maternity;
Gastroenterology; Neurosciences; Oncology;
Haematology; Cancer Care; Cardiology;
Cardiothoracic; Renal Dialysis; Ambulatory
Care and Community Health Services.

#### Commencement dates

St George Hospital offers three intakes in 2025. This is planned for February, April and June.

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#### What we offer you in your GradStart year

Our team at St George Hospital prides itself on providing you with a a nurturing setting as a new Registered Nurse. Our goal is to support you to develop professionally and reach your full potential.

You will receive specialised orientation to the organisation and supernumerary status at the commencement of each of your clinical rotations. To support your career, you will be provided individualised learning and development opportunities and access to in-

service and continuing professional education. Here at St George, a high priority is placed on the importance of continued education and lifelong learning opportunities to ensure you enhance your knowledge and skills.

A certificate of completion is provided to you following completion of the GradStart program and opportunities are provided for you to continue your employment at St George Hospital.

## General Stream versus Perioperative Stream

St George Hospital offers two distinct stream options for GradStart Registered Nurses.

The **General Stream** includes clinical rotations through areas such as medical, surgical, paediatrics and specialty areas including intensive care and emergency.

The **Perioperative Stream** is focussed on perioperative nursing. You will have two clinical rotations through Perioperative

Services areas such as Instrument/Circulator, Anaesthetics, Day Surgery Unit, Post Anaesthetic Care Unit (PACU) or Endoscopy service.

Regardless of the stream you pick, you will be supported by a whole team including a Registered Nurse preceptor, Clinical Nurse Educator, Nurse Educator, Clinical Nurse Consultant, and the Transition Coordinator.

## Critical Care Program

St George Hospital offers a transition program in to critical care settings such as Emergency or Intensive Care. This specialty transition program is called the Critical Care Program and will provide you with the opportunity to practice nursing in a high technology area without any previous experience. Once you have completed the GradStart program, you will be invited to apply for this specialist transition program.

#### Other details

You will receive specialised orientation to the organisation, facility, and ward. This includes supernumerary status at the commencement of each of your clinical rotations. You are provided with flexible rostering on a 7-day rotating roster, and we aim to allocate you two

weeks annual leave at the end of your second rotation.

There is no on-site staff accommodation at St George Hospital.

There is a multi-storey paid-parking facility on the campus. The hospital is easily accessible

by public transport. For further information visit this site.

## Questions?

If you have any questions about this GradStart program, please contact:

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All enquiries welcomed!