Welcome to the Albury campus of Albury Wodonga Health, it is also referred to as the Albury Hospital and occasionally by the old name of Albury Base Hospital. It’s a great place to work so we hope you enjoy your placement with us!

The Allied Health department of Albury Hospital is located off East St.

Parking is limited so it is suggested you park at the “bottom” car park below the hospital off East St or on East St. Many allied health staff park on Keene St and come in the back door but you require a swipe card to access this entrance.

Hospital Main Reception Phone: (02) 60584444

AWH Allied Health Student Coordinator : Anna Sullivan Phone 0428 907 612

Day 1

On your first day please come to the Allied Health front desk at 8am (Or as arranged with your supervisor, please check your start time). Bring your police check and working with children’s check, without these you cannot commence placement. Most of Allied health at Albury work 8.00-4.30pm but please check with your supervisor.

The Allied Health Department at the Albury Campus is mostly structured on a discipline basis rather than on service programs. This document contains general information about Allied Health placements, Albury campus wards and teams. Please also read your professional annexe for specific information and pre-placement preparation.

**Click here for maps of the AWH Albury and Wodonga campuses**

**Generic Information**

**Supervisors**

For each placement you will be allocated a primary supervisor, who will be co-located with you at your placement site. This is the person who coordinates your placement and is responsible for your mid placement and final evaluation. During your placement you are likely to work with a range of other health professionals both within and outside your discipline, with a range of professional experiences.
It is important to remember that your supervisor(s) continue to carry a full workload during your placement, and you will need to be sensitive to his/her other responsibilities. This will also mean that you may be required to work more autonomously and independently during your placement.

Throughout your placement you will receive a mix of direct and indirect supervision. A range of facts such as the complexity of the activity/roles you are undertaking and your level of skills and knowledge determine the degree of supervision. Discuss with your supervisor early the types of supervision that will be provided, considering both the capacity of your supervisor and your own supervision requirements.

**Weekly student sessions (IPL)**

Each week a student interprofessional learning (IPL) session is offered at each campus. These are offered to allied health and nursing students and it is strongly suggested you attend. The sessions cover various topics including case studies and topics of interest designed to help you get to know the other students and their disciplines. Simulation is incorporated into the program regularly to provide an alternative learning opportunity. The sessions are great fun and we hope you can come along!

Please let Anna Sullivan (Allied Health Student Coordinator) know if you are not able to attend. Albury IPL – Tuesday 3-4pm in the Allied Health Group Room

**Lunch**

There is a hospital cafeteria (at the other end of the hospital from allied health and downstairs, follow the sign to Oasis Café or ask for directions) and there are also kitchen facilities in allied health (fridge, microwaves etc). There are lots of lovely places to eat lunch. Most of us congregate in the allied health courtyard or tea room when wet/cold; please come and join us.

**Computer access:**

Generic access to computers will be provided for access to your discipline drive, student drive and other useful applications. This login will have internet available for work related purposes. Wifi is not freely available at Albury Wodonga Health however if you require wifi during your placement please ask the student coordinator to arrange a log in for you.

**Lockers:**

There are student lockers available in the student room or in your discipline department. A locker will be assigned to you during orientation; please bring a small padlock.

**Photocopying:** the photocopier is located near Allied Health Reception.

If you have any concerns or questions during your placement please do not hesitate to ask one of us (if we don’t know, we can’t help!).
Allied Health Teams at Albury Hospital

The Allied Health Department is mostly structured on a discipline basis rather than a program base. The following Allied Health Therapy professions are located in the allied health building at Albury campus – Allied Health Assistants, Dieticians, Exercise Physiologists, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Social Workers and Speech Pathologists. Allied health staff work on the below wards or part of a team as listed below.

Surgical Ward One

- Surgical ward one is a 20 bed unit for acute orthopaedic and some overflow general surgical patients.

Surgical Ward two

- Surgical ward two is a 30 bed unit for general and complex surgical patients.

Medical Ward One and Two

- Medical Ward One has 30 beds and Medical Two 21 beds and 4 HAB (Higher Acuity Beds). Care is provided to acute neurological, cardiorespiratory, oncology patients and some simple surgery cases. Patients may also be admitted with general medical or functional decline. Aged care planning is provided in this setting.

Intensive Care Unit (ICU)

- The unit consists of 6 ICU/HDU beds, 4 coronary care beds and 2 single rooms to be used as required.

Emergency Department

- The Emergency Department consists of 12 standard beds, 2 resus bays, 4 short stay beds and 5 fast track cubicles. A plaster room is also available.

Children’s Ward

- Children’s ward is an 18 bed unit. The ward is for paediatric patients with a wide range of medical and surgical conditions.

Community Rehabilitation Centre (CRC team)

- The CRC is an outpatient service for people who have a physical disability, are frail, chronically ill, or are recovering from traumatic injury. CRC also helps people who have newly emerging chronic symptoms that require assessment, diagnosis and treatment. This service aims to improve and maintain a person’s optimal independence in the community or in their daily life.
- CRC programs include – falls prevention service, cardiac rehabilitation, pulmonary rehabilitation and a memory program.
Cognitive Dementia and Memory Service (CDAMS)

- The memory clinic is a multidisciplinary team that assesses changes in memory and thinking. They assess early memory changes and provide an accurate diagnosis and individual management plan. Advice to families and carers regarding strategies to improve or cope with memory problems is also available.

Outpatient Physiotherapy Services

- Outpatient physiotherapy services include:
  - Individual physiotherapy
  - Aquatic physiotherapy
  - Lymphoedema
  - Exercise groups
  - Tai Chi
  - Women’s health
  - Fracture Clinic (Wednesday mornings – Medical team, Physiotherapists and Allied Health Assistants)

Outpatient Speech Pathology Services

- Outpatient Speech Pathology services include:
  - Laryngectomy rehabilitation
  - Videofluoroscopy assessment of swallowing
  - Post-operative voice review