

# **POSITION VACANT: Respiratory Physician(s)– Fulltime or VMO**

**An exciting opportunity exists for appropriately trained and qualified  
Respiratory Physicians to join Austin Health**

Austin Health is one of Victoria's largest health care providers. Comprised of Austin Hospital, Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital and Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre, Austin Health is a major teaching and research centre with numerous university and research institute affiliations. Catering to diverse multicultural and veteran communities, Austin Health delivers vital state-wide services to Victorians and a vast array of specialty services to the people of Melbourne's north-eastern corridor in a safety-focussed, team-orientated and stimulating work environment. The new 400 bed Austin Hospital Tower opened mid 2005 and further redevelopment is underway.

The position is within the Department of Respiratory and Sleep Medicine, Austin Hospital, Austin Health, a major public teaching hospital and tertiary referral centre associated with The University of Melbourne. The Department includes a busy 22 bed inpatient ward (Ward 5 West,) located on level 5 of the Austin Tower and including a dedicated ventilation weaning bay and 2 inpatient sleep study beds. Specialist clinics include multidisciplinary lung cancer, allergy, pulmonary hypertension, sleep disorders and ventilatory failure. The Department runs the Victorian Respiratory Support Service, providing a state-wide service to persons diagnosed with chronic ventilatory failure who require support with home ventilation. The Victorian Weaning Unit (VWU) state-wide service provides support to other health services by accepting referrals of patients who are slow to wean from ventilation. The allied Department of Thoracic Surgery is the largest of its type in Australia and is a statewide referral service for thoracic oncology.

Appointment up to 1.0 EFT or a sessional component thereof. The objectives of this position are to provide inpatient and outpatient care, for respiratory patients of Austin Health. Participation in the ward service, referral and on-call rosters for both general respiratory and ventilatory failure patients, sleep reporting, bronchoscopies, outpatient consulting (including participation in sub-specialty clinics), other clinical duties as directed.

***Applicant must be a Respiratory physician who is a fellow of RACP and member of the TSANZ***

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