



**The Royal  
Melbourne  
Hospital**

# Advancing health for everyone, everyday.

**Could this be you?**

**Join The Royal  
Melbourne  
Hospital Team**



**Position Description**

**Clinical Nurse Consultant – Dialysis  
Coordinator**



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## THE ROYAL MELBOURNE HOSPITAL

The Royal Melbourne Hospital (RMH) began in 1848 as Victoria's first public hospital. And while we only had 10 beds to our name, we had the community of Melbourne behind us, and we were ready to provide the best possible care for those in need.

Since those early years, we've moved forward with purpose. Always at the forefront, leading the way on improving the quality of life for all.

Today the RMH is one of the largest health providers in the state, providing a comprehensive range of specialist medical, surgical, and mental health services; as well as rehabilitation, aged care, outpatient and community programs.

Our reputation for caring for all Melburnians is as essential to who we are as any scientific breakthrough we make. We're here when it matters most, and we'll continue to be the first to speak out for our diverse community's wellbeing.

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## OUR VISION

# Advancing health for everyone, every day.

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## THE MELBOURNE WAY

At The RMH we're inspired by our vision of Advancing health for everyone, every day. While we're each going about our different roles, we're united by a shared understanding of the way we do things around here. We call it The Melbourne Way. We put people first — leading with kindness and working together, we excel as one Royal Melbourne Hospital.

### People First



People are at the heart of everything we do. We take the time to understand how we can make the most positive difference for them.

### Lead with Kindness



Our care and compassion sets us apart. We lead the way with a respectful, inclusive spirit — embracing the things that make us all unique.

### Excellence Together



True excellence is only possible when we work as one Royal Melbourne Hospital community. Through collaboration, we set the highest of standards and achieve our goals.

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## OUR PRIORITIES

The RMH Strategic Plan: Towards 2025. Advancing health for everyone, every day is our plan for the future — one which we are committed to achieving together. This position contributes to the achievement of the five Strategic Goals, articulated in the plan:

- Be a great place to work and a great place to receive care
- Grow our Home First approach
- Realise the potential of the Melbourne Biomedical Precinct
- Become a digital health service
- Strive for sustainability





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dialysis patients, navigate appropriate ongoing dialysis destination based on patient centred values and safe provision of care, negotiate appropriate follow up outpatient care before transfer to satellite dialysis units and patient and carer education regarding medications, dialysis management and self-care strategies.

Non-clinical includes leadership and quality contributions, such as optimisation of EMR best practice in Nephrology, facilitation of consent for dialysis, policy and procedure review, nursing and allied health education, presentation of works and departmental representation on appropriate professional bodies.

The scope and collaborative aspects of this role will remain adaptable to patient needs and future service development.

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## KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

- Take reasonable care for your safety and wellbeing and that of others.
- Work in your scope of practice and seek help where required.
- Work in partnership with consumers, patients and where applicable carers and families.
- Work collaboratively with colleagues across all RMH teams.
- Continue to learn through mandatory training and other learning activities.
- Seek feedback on your work including participation in annual performance discussion.
- Speak up for safety, our values and wellbeing.
- Prioritise wellbeing and ensure safe work practices are developed and adhered to in their area.
- Respect that the RMH is a smoke-free environment.
- Provide high quality standards of patient care. This includes the assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation for care in collaboration with multidisciplinary team.
- Identify and triage complications and ongoing health care needs with a focus on holistic care
- Manage waitlists fairly, equitably and with consideration for care as close to home and as soon as possible.
- Comply with requirements of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and other regulatory requirements
- Development and implementation of policies and procedures in collaboration with key stakeholders applicable to the strategic direction of MH
- In consultation with medical staff, facilitate referrals to other departments as indicated for further medical review, management, procedures and tests.
- Demonstrate effective leadership skills, supporting innovation and advanced nursing practice.
- Provide advanced, extended and holistic nursing practice that demonstrates a high level of ability in complex care situations.
- Actively support the development of policies and procedures relevant to the provision of high quality and evidence-based care within RMH Kidney Care
- Ensure direct reports receive regular feedback and participate in annual discussions.
- Ensure training needs of direct reports are identified and undertaken.
- Ensure risk management activities are completed, effective controls are in place and incidents are recorded, investigated and corrective actions implemented as far as is reasonably practical.
- Create a psychologically safe work environment where everyone feels safe to speak up. Monitor and achieve relevant KPIs and targets and operate within their allocated budget.
- Contribute to organisation-wide and service/division initiatives and planning activities.
- Collate and enter relevant dialysis clinical parameters into EMR and renal database
- Report patient data relating to monitoring of renal disease, treatment practice patterns and patient outcomes to all government, ANZDATA or Melbourne Health approved bodies
- Evaluate the quality of service provision through the comparison of patient outcomes to key performance indicators
- Investigate appropriate procedures, reporting and documentation in the case of diverse events
- Adhere to legislation pertaining to privacy, confidentiality and the handling of personal information
- Maintain an understanding of individual responsibility for patient safety, quality and risk and contribute to organisational quality and safety initiatives
- Coordinate and chair complex dialysis multidisciplinary meetings (MDT/MDM), including the Traffic Meeting Complex Dialysis MDM.
- Ensure agreed care plans from MDT discussions are actioned, clearly documented and communicated to ensure continuity of high quality care.
- Escalate risks or barriers impacting patient flow, care progression or discharge planning.

## KEY RELATIONSHIPS

Internal

External



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- Nephrologists
  - Renal Clinical Nurse Consultants and Managers
  - Renal Surgeons
  - Home Dialysis Unit
  - Acute Dialysis Unit
  - Satellite Dialysis Units
  - Renal inpatient service
  - CKD co-ordinators
  - Renal educators
  - Pharmacy
  - Allied Health: Social Work, Dietitian, Podiatry
  - Renal research
  - Aboriginal Liaison
  - Dialysis patients, their families and carers
  - Dialysis Teams at other renal services
  - Satellite Dialysis Units (metropolitan, regional and rural)
  - Nephrologists – other affiliated satellites
  - General Practitioners
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**AT THE RMH WE:**

- Aim to provide a working environment that is safe and without risk to the health, safety and wellbeing of all employees, patients and consumers, and visitors.
- Speak up for patient, consumer, colleague and visitor safety, escalating issues if required.
- Deliver Safe, Timely, Equitable, Person-centred Care (STEP) in line with our clinical governance framework.
- Work in accordance with relevant policies, procedures, standards and legislation including those related to clinical or competency requirements, risk management, discrimination, equal opportunity and health safety and wellbeing.

**OUR COMMITMENT:**

- **Equity, Inclusion, Belonging and Safety**
  - As a leader in healthcare, we recognise the need to foster a culture of equity, inclusion, and belonging — safe spaces where every individual is empowered to be their authentic self, contributing meaningfully to the collective well-being of our community.
- **First Nations Commitment**
  - We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we work and stand in solidarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We are committed to creating a culturally safe environment that honours First Nations voices, knowledge, and self-determination through inclusive governance, respectful policies, and a steadfast commitment to anti-racism. The Royal Melbourne aspires to lead by example in addressing the injustices of colonisation and its ongoing impacts.
- **Child Safe Standards**
  - RMH is a child safe organisation. We are dedicated to fostering an environment that respects and upholds the rights of children and young people, in line with the Child Safe Standards. We actively embed these standards in our culture, policies, and practices, ensuring that the safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a central priority.
- **Equal Opportunity and Accessibility**
  - We are proud to be an equal opportunity employer that champions diversity in all its forms. We value the strengths and perspectives that come from people of all backgrounds, identities, abilities, and lived experiences. We encourage applicants from all communities, and we will provide reasonable adjustments to support equitable participation.
- **Thriving Together**
  - Together, we are committed to fostering an environment where everyone feels respected, safe, and empowered to thrive.

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**ACCEPTANCE**

I acknowledge and accept that this position description represents the duties, responsibilities and accountabilities that are expected of me in my employment in the position. I understand that The RMH reserves the right to modify position descriptions as required, however I will be consulted when this occurs.

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Employee Signature

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Employee Name (please print)

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Date

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