SUMMER ELECTIVE CLINICAL PLACEMENTS FOR FINAL YEAR DENTAL STUDENTS – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Commencing 9th December 2019

Monash Health Dental Services has successfully run a summer placement program since 2016 and once again is giving the opportunity to final year dental students enrolling in 2019. To be eligible for this popular program you have to be currently enrolled in a relevant degree in dentistry within Australia. The program will include a one week (9th-13th of December or 16-20th December) intense clinical placement at either the Thomas Street, Dandenong Clinic and/or the Cranbourne Clinic which are based in the outer south eastern suburbs of Melbourne, Victoria. Successful applicants will provide dental treatment to public patients under the supervision of experienced dentists….surgical extraction and endodontic patients will be prebooked for students and more than 80% of the patients will involve endodontics and surgical extractions. The students will be assisted by experienced nursing staff while treating patients. Tutorials and group discussion of selected cases, will be organized and facilitated by Dental Specialists at the end of each day with a large emphasis on Endodontics and Oral Surgery.

The Dandenong clinic was built just over four years ago and is the largest of the Monash Health Dental sites with ten dental chairs. Cranbourne clinic is our second largest clinic and has 8 chairs.

Our workforce includes dentists, oral health therapists, prosthetists, dental assistants, receptionists and administration staff. Around 130 staff work for Monash Health Dental Services and last year we saw more than 28000 patients.

ELIGIBILITY
Dental Students that will be commencing final year in 2020. We have placements for 16 students and successful applicants will work with experienced dental nurse. The program will run for two weeks and students can choose the week of their preference. The two weeks are 9th -13th of December and 16th – 20th of December 2019 with comprehensive Orientation on 7th and 14th December.

GENERAL APPLICATION PROCESS
Provide a cover letter of and a current curriculum vitae (CV).
Provide two letters of recommendation from current clinical supervisors.
Professional Indemnity Insurance will be covered by Monash Health.
Provide a current criminal record check.

There will be a $1200 fee for the program. Students wanting to do both weeks will pay only $2000. A certificate indicating that you have undertaken a clinical placement at Monash Health Dental Services will be provided with a detailed report of all treatments undertaken.

Feedback from University students from Griffith, La Trobe and University of Adelaide and Melbourne:

"Staff & mentors extremely helpful & very friendly"
"Excellent discussions with specialists"
"Modern & spacious facility"
"Expectations were exceeded"
"A one week placement at MH was more interesting than 16 weeks at the hospital"
"Great opportunity to learn new treatment procedures and techniques"

Applications close by 31st October, 2019
Applications and further enquires to Wendy Martyn wendy.martyn@monashhealth.org
Or apply directly by clicking here.