Position Description

Position Title: Academic Pharmacist Lead - Cardio Oncology Clinic
Salary Range: Professional & Administrative Salaries Level 7 Step 2-3
Reporting Manager: A/Prof Rachel Conyers
Direct Reports: A/Prof Conyers, A/Prof Elliot
Home Group: Heart Regeneration

Who are we?
The Murdoch Children’s Research Institute (MCRI) is home to significant scientific discoveries. We believe there is an answer, a cure or a better treatment for every childhood condition — and we’re determined to find it.

We are a diverse team of world-leading researchers, doctors, engineers, and hardworking professionals in corporate and scientific services from all corners of the world with one shared goal — to transform child health worldwide.

Our strength lies in our partnership and co-location with The Royal Children’s Hospital and the University of Melbourne — the Melbourne Children’s Campus. This rare model amplifies opportunities to quickly translate research into clinical care.

At MCRI, you’ll also find our subsidiary organisation, the Victorian Clinical Genetics Services (VCGS), a specialist childhood, prenatal and adult genetics service. VCGS provides an integrated genetic consultation, counselling, testing and diagnostic support service to children, adults, families and prospective parents.

Together, we share a powerful vision: re-imagine the future of child health.

What is it like to work for us?
We are committed to ensuring a positive working environment that values all backgrounds and experiences. We cultivate an inclusive culture that is underpinned by equal opportunity for all and a culture based on respect, consideration and dignity. We are also committed to developing our people and fostering an environment where learning and development is central to our staff reaching their full potential.

Position Overview
This role has been created to facilitate the implementation of cardio-oncology clinics to facilitate cardio oncology research and clinical care within MCRI & The Royal Children’s Hospital, Melbourne. The applicant will be required to project lead, with close liaison across multiple stakeholders including operations, ambulatory services, RCH children’s cancer centre (CCC), the department of cardiology, consumers (patients, parents and carers) and the research team. The successful applicant will lead a separate research project with the aim of forming national guidelines for cardio oncology care (via Delphi consensus) in collaboration with the Australian Cardio Oncology Biobank & Registry. The applicant will be required to lead electronic medical record work to facilitate the cardio oncology clinics, together with preparing the existing Australian Cardio Oncology RedCap database, for clinic specific endpoints.
Key Accountabilities

- Responsible for the overall co-ordination, organization and planning of the Cardio Oncology service at RCH in collaboration with the principal investigator and research team of the Australian Cardio Oncology Registry & Biobank.
- Drive project management required for the implementation of the cardio oncology clinic.
- Facilitate and lead internal and external meetings with operations, ambulatory services, the Children’s Cancer Centre and department of Cardiology to realize the aims of the project.
- Liaise and manage key stakeholder expectations in relation to project delivery (time/resource/cost implications/risk) with support.
- Co-ordinate and collate cross-specialty consensus as to the minimal dataset and minimal assessment of paediatric and adult patient attending a Cardio Oncology Clinic.
- Independently design methods for pilot work to understand consumers desires within the Cardio Oncology Clinic (patients, parents & carers). Incorporate findings of this pilot work into the clinic recommendations and lead decision making in the design of the clinics.
- Communicate and liaise with medical, nursing and other professional staff in matters relating to the new cardio oncology service.
- Conduct virtual cardio-oncology clinics to pre-screen patients with a thorough risk assessment and coordinating which patients require review with cardio-oncology team.
- Organize and implement an education program for the children’s cancer centre and the department of cardiology staff regarding (a) setup of the clinic, (b) risk stratification (c) guidelines for paediatric patients experiencing cardio-toxicity.
- Assist the project chief investigators in writing journal articles summarizing the findings of the clinic setup and key clinical questions answered.
- Independently prepare and deliver reports from the project required to report back for Grant and Clinical purposes.
- Presentation of project implementation and findings where available at Grand Round presentations together and relevant craft conferences (i.e. Australian and New Zealand Children’s Oncology Group Conference)
- Play a key role in the analysis of clinic outcomes and contribute knowledge and input to the construction of a business case for ongoing support.

Selection Criteria

- Bachelors of Pharmacology or equivalent.
- Registered to practice in Victoria.
- Postgraduate qualifications desirable and/or at least three years of experience in oncology pharmacy.
- Demonstrated experience with oncology clinical trials, clinical governance and reporting.
- Experience with Electronic Medical Record.

Conditions of Employment

- Working with Children & National Police Clearance (if appointed) in compliance with the Victorian Governments Child Safety Standards.
- The right to reside and work in Australia and you meeting any applicable visa conditions.

Health, Safety & Wellbeing

- We are committed to providing and maintaining a working environment which protects the health, safety and wellbeing of our people, partners and the community.
- Employees conducting duties on behalf of MCRI are expected to meet the environment, health and wellbeing requirements and responsibilities specifically required for the role.
- We are committed to supporting children in their right to be safe and adhere to the responsibilities we have to ensure their protection and safety as per the Child Safety Standards Policy.
- Specified positions may be subject to medical review to ensure that the inherent requirements of the role can be undertaken safely.

As MCRI evolves to meet its changing strategic and operational needs and objectives, so will the roles required of its employees. As such, this document is not intended to represent the position which the occupant will perform in perpetuity. This position description is intended to provide an overall view of the incumbent’s role as at the date of this statement.