



Profile of Graduate Nurse from Melbourne Private Hospital



My name is Leanne, I am originally from Christchurch New Zealand, I have just finished an amazing new graduate year at Melbourne Private Hospital.

I started my program in the Cardiac Unit, and although I found it quite scary the staff were great and they helped me settle in.

The staff throughout MPH were all willing to give advice and support when asked and would always be willing to help the graduate nurses when we looked lost (trust me it happens a lot). The support staff showed, not just for the graduate nurses but for each other, became very important when someone was having a tough or emotional day, someone would take your patients if you needed a break.

My graduated year was planned out with my rotations through the Cardiac Unit for six months, Neurology/Neurosurgery for six months, ICU for 1 week and emergency for 1 week. I decided to try a little bit of everything as I wasn't sure, and I'm still not sure on where I want to end up. The graduate program was perfectly organised to suit my curious professional mind.

I had the opportunity to join with the Cardiac unit staff and take part in a cardiothoracic short course, which went over nine weeks. This helped me to deepen my knowledge and prepare me for my new role as a Grade 2 nurse on the cardiac unit.

Melbourne Private Hospital was a great place for me to start out my nursing career and I am happy to say that I'm now working full time in CCU and having a great time doing what I love.