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**Canberra Health
Services**

HP4 Perfusionist, Department of Cardiac Surgery, Division of Surgery | Permanent, Full-time.

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Salary: Fact sheet available from contact officer upon request

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Canberra Health Services

Our Vision: creating exceptional health care together

Our Role: to be a health service that is trusted by our community

Our Values: Reliable, Progressive, Respectful and Kind

Canberra Health Services (CHS) is focused on the delivery of high quality, effective, person centred care. It provides acute, sub-acute, primary and community-based health services, to the Australian Capital Territory (ACT)—a catchment of approximately 400, 000 people. It also services the surrounding Southern New South Wales region which includes the Bega Valley, Bombala, Cooma-Monaro, Eurobodalla, Goulburn, Mulwaree, Palerang, Queanbeyan, Snowy River, Upper Lachlan Shire and the Yass Valley.

CHS administers a range publicly funded health facilities, programs and services including but not limited to:

- **The Canberra Hospital:** a modern 600-bed tertiary hospital providing trauma services and most major medical and surgical sub-specialty services.
- **University of Canberra Hospital Specialist Centre for Rehabilitation, Recovery and Research:** a dedicated and purpose-built rehabilitation facility, with 140 inpatient beds, 75-day places and additional outpatient services.
- **Four Walk-in Centres:** which provide free treatment for minor illness and injury.
- **Seven community health centres:** providing a range of general and specialist health services to people of all ages.
- A range of **community-based health services** including early childhood services, youth and women's health, dental health, mental health and alcohol and drug services.

The Division of Surgery is responsible for delivering inpatient and outpatients surgical and medical imaging services and prevention and treatment dental health programs for children, targeted youth and adults of the ACT and surrounding region. The Division includes Surgical Bookings and Pre-Admission Clinic, Department of Anaesthesia, Pain Management Unit, Operating Theatres, Post-Anaesthetic Care Unit, Day Surgery Unit and Admissions / Extended Day Surgery Unit, specialist surgical departments and ward areas, medical and nursing outpatient services, and the Trauma and Orthopaedic Research Unit.

Overview of the work area and position:

The Cardiac Surgery Department at Canberra Hospital is a busy service supported by excellent imaging and diagnostic facilities. The Cardiac Surgery faculty currently consists of 2 Consultants, 3 Registrars, 1 qualified Perfusionist and 1 Trainee Perfusionist, as well as 1 full time Receptionist.

Under general direction of the Chief Perfusionist, the Perfusionist role is responsible for the provision of life support for patients undergoing elective and/or emergency cardiac surgery at Canberra Hospital and the National Capital Private Hospital.

The Perfusionist role is required to participate in the Perfusion Close Call Roster, aiding to ensure that perfusion services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Duties:

1. Conduct safe cardiopulmonary perfusion under the direction of the Chief/Senior Perfusionist.
2. Be responsible for testing and calibration of cardiopulmonary systems and associated equipment; including anticoagulation measurement, physiological monitoring, and pharmacological agent administration.
3. Operate and help with blood salvage equipment within the critical care areas.
4. Manage the Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump devices and Ventricular Assist Devices within the critical care areas.
5. Participate in the maintenance of supplies and equipment, within the Perfusion work area.
6. Participate in continuing education programs, quality improvement activities, research relevant to the work area and complete mandatory training.
7. Promote a commitment to high quality customer service principles, practices and attributes.
8. Undertaking other duties appropriate to this level of classification and within approved scope of clinical practice, which contribute to the operation of the section with the delivery of high-quality person and family centred, safe and high-quality patient care.

Personal Attributes:

To be successful in this position, it is expected that the successful candidate will have the following attributes:

- Strong organisational skills with a high degree of drive
- Adaptability and flexibility to accommodate change and provide responsive services to meet clients' needs

Qualifications and experience:

Mandatory:

- Completed two-year *certificate of clinical perfusion* (CCP) with Australasian Board of Cardiovascular Perfusion.
- Minimum three years' experience as a full time clinical perfusionist.
- Currently certified with Australian & New Zealand College of Perfusion.
- Comply with ACT Health credentialing requirements for allied health professionals. Initial credentialing is completed following a pre offer for a position, prior to appointment being made

Desirable:

- Five years' experience as a full time clinical perfusionist

Please note prior to commencement successful candidates will be required to:

- Undergo a pre-employment Police check.
- Provide a Compliance Certificate from OMU (Occupational Medicine Unit) relating to assessment, screening & vaccination processes