

Radiology

Canterbury DHB Radiology Service

CDHB is one of the New Zealand centres training radiologists. The RANZCR curriculum is followed and the registrars work towards their FRANZCR qualification. The full range of diagnostic radiology services and procedures which the curriculum requires exposure to are provided within Christchurch, between Christchurch Hospital, Burwood Hospital, Christchurch Women's Hospital and private centres (for example, mammography and PET scanning). The curriculum is available from the RANZCR website and prospective trainees are advised to review this to obtain an in-depth understanding of the course.

Clinical radiological service provision varies between the CDHB hospitals, but round the clock emergency services are provided and our trainees become involved in the out of hours provision of this at the start of their second year. Primary radiological service exposure is obtained through reporting of GP referred examinations. Tertiary level care is provided for most specialties. Training includes rotation to private practice sites.

Training includes exposure to all modalities required by the RANZCR curriculum. CDHB is well resourced with up-to-date plain X-ray, ultrasound, CT, MR and interventional equipment. The caseload and mix undertaken at CDHB easily allows trainees to fulfil the RANZCR experiential requirements.

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