

POST-BASIC PSYCHIATRIC NURSING COURSE

Length of Course: Currently 12 months.

Type of Course: Inservice course for Registered General and Mental Retardation Nurses.

Intakes: One - July.

Theoretical and Practical Instruction: Currently total 470 hours. Content includes Psychology of Human Behaviour, Sociology and Family Dynamics, Human Biology, Psychiatry and Psychopathology, Psychiatric Nursing and a one-week Helping Skills Workshop.

Clinical Experience: Under supervision of relevant qualified personnel, experiences are provided in Acute Admission Wards, Early Treatment Wards, Long Term Rehabilitation Wards and Community Psychiatric Centres.

Assessment: Clinical and theoretical evaluations. Registration examination on completion of course.

Salary: Award rates.

Fees: Nil.

Registration: Registrable with the Victorian Nursing Council.

The Muriel Yarrington School of Psychiatric Nursing is a Regional School comprising of the former Larundel and Mont Park Schools of Nursing. Clinical experience is gained in various regional facilities including Larundel, Mont Park, Bundoora Repatriation and Plenty Psychiatric Hospitals, Dandenong and Gresswell Centres and various Community Clinics in the Melbourne metropolitan area.