

## **Medical Radiation Sciences**

Radiation Therapy Clinical Practice 2

## Information for Clinical Mentors

8th April – 26th April 2024 (Block CP2 A)

This group of 3<sup>rd</sup> year students completed 2 weeks of placement in July 2023, and an additional 3 weeks of Clinical Practice 1 placement in December 2023 and have a total of 5 weeks experience.

In the months prior to this Clinical Practice 2A placement, the students have covered the following theory: **RT Studies 3**:

Skin, Brain, GI tract, Lung, & Pancreas sites. Non-malignant conditions and care of radiation injury. Continued
planning development Brain, Oesophagus, Pancreas, Lung and Breast sites. SABR and SRS techniques theory.
Practical sessions: SXR land marking, calculations, cut-out manufacture and set-up; cast making for different
baselines, brain and oesophagus CT simulation, brain set-up and intro to planar and volumetric image matching
(Pelvis and Thorax).

Following the completion of the 3-week Clinical Practice 2A placement the students will continue with the <u>CT & PET</u> theory course and the material includes:

 image evaluation, procedural protocols principles of co-registration, image quality, artefacts post processing and QA. CT/sim protocols, basic procedures and QA, image manipulation for planning prep, image fusion and contrast.

## Expectations of students for the CP2a clinical placement (Total 3 weeks):

- The main objective of the placement is to continue to <u>participate</u> in radiation therapy procedures which give the student an opportunity to apply what they have learnt.
- There is (1) treatment competency, (1) simulation participation, (1) planning participation, (1) imaging participation to be recorded.
- In the student's clinical workbook there are several formative reports which require the student to reflect on their week, prior to their mentor completing the assessment.
- Once the student has completed the reflection, the clinical summative report is to be completed by the <u>Clinical</u>
   <u>Supervisor in the clinical department</u> in collaboration with the mentors involved with that student during their placement.
- It is expected that students gain a satisfactory level of achievement (3's) for all attributes in Domain 3 and 4.2 (treatment) of the summative report. Requires improvement to progress (2's- 2.5's) are acceptable for all attributes in Domain 1, 2, and 4.2 (planning and Sim/CT). Satisfactory level of achievement for all attributes in Domain 5 and 6.
- There is the expectation that students will exhibit safe practice and professional behaviour.