



## **Student Accommodation: Monash Rural Health Policy**

### **Purpose**

To ensure equitable and unbiased access to student accommodation across Monash Rural Health sites for short-term and long-term clinical placements, where available.

### **Scope**

Students, staff and key stakeholders of Monash Rural Health, Monash University

### **Policy Statement**

Monash Rural Health will ensure that access to all rural site accommodation will include:

- equity for all Monash medicine, nursing and allied health students across all sites, including north-west and south-east regional and rural sites;
- short-term Monash Rural Health accommodation for non-Monash University Australian domestic nursing and allied health students;
- student accommodation income and expenditure which is sustainable across all sites; and
- an environmental footprint which is guided by the Monash University Environmental Policy.

### **Supporting Procedures**

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### **Supporting Guidelines**

Nil

### **Responsibility for Implementation**

All staff and key stakeholders of Monash Rural Health accommodation sites and facilities.

### **Key Stakeholders**

All staff from Monash Rural Health, Monash University; medicine, nursing and allied health students and staff.

### **Approval Body**

Monash Rural Health Executive Committee

### **Endorsement Bodies**

Monash Rural Health Executive Committee; Monash Rural Health Managers Committee

### **Related Policies**

Monash University Environmental Policy

### **Date Effective**

January 2019

### **Reviewed**

Sept 2018

### **Owner**

Head of School, Monash Rural Health

### **Content Enquiries**

Operations and Planning Manager (Office of Head of School)



## Student Accommodation: Monash Rural Health Procedures

### Title of Parent Policy

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### Procedures regarding student accommodation for long-term and short-term placements

- These procedures guide the equitable and unbiased access to student accommodation across Monash Rural Health sites and facilities for short-term and long-term placements, where available, for Monash medicine, nursing and allied students and non-Monash Australian domestic nursing and allied health students.
- The leasing and utility (electricity, rates, gas, wood) budget has been submitted to Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences. There is expectation that the budget will keep within this projected expenditure.
- Monash Rural Health sites determine a utility bill ceiling – students are required to pay costs incurred above this ceiling. The ceiling is set by Monash Rural Health Regional Site Managers, with responsibility for local student accommodation. The utility ceiling may vary from site to site, given variations in weather, types of heating/cooling and accommodation offered. The utility ceiling across rural sites is set in order to deliver the 2019 utility budget target.
- Students are required to leave the accommodation in the same condition as when they arrived and will be invoiced for any damages incurred and/or cleaning, if properties are not left in an acceptable condition.
- Structural changes to dwellings are strictly prohibited across all Monash Rural Health student accommodation, including all fixtures, furniture and fittings.
- Accommodation is not provided to students' partners or family members for short and long-term placements.
- Pets are strictly prohibited at any Monash Rural Health student accommodation site in relation to short and long-term placements.
- MRH Student Accommodation Standard Furnishings listing for 2019 is attached to this document.

### Long-term (Years 3B and 4C) accommodation – Monash University medicine students

- Students taking up long-term Monash Rural Health accommodation (greater than 12 weeks) will be asked to agree to the conditions set out in accommodation documentation including a Tenancy Agreement, Condition Report and a departure checklist.
- Accommodation is provided, where available, for direct entry and graduate entry students undertaking long-term placements at Monash Rural Health sites.
- Priority access is provided to students who do not have a local address near their relevant site.
- An accommodation rental fee of \$105.00 per week is payable by the student for long-term placements. This fee is inclusive of fully furnished accommodation, all utilities, WiFi, and garden/property maintenance.
- Accommodation rental fees are payable for the full duration (42 weeks) of the academic year. This period includes time allowed for relocation.



**Short-term placement accommodation for Monash University medicine, nursing and allied health students and non-Monash University Australian domestic nursing and allied health students**

- Short-term medicine placement accommodation incurs an accommodation rental fee of \$60.00 per week.
- Short-term nursing and allied health placement accommodation incurs an accommodation rental fee of \$10/night (\$70 per week).
- Short-term medicine, nursing and allied health placements must be a minimum of 10 placement days to be eligible to apply for an accommodation booking.
- **Non-Monash University students please note:** WiFi is available at Monash Rural Health facilities. Please liaise with MRH rural health staff at your local site for further information regarding connectivity.

*Note: Students that already receive an allowance from Centrelink (such as Abstudy or Austudy) and are paying an accommodation rental fee at Monash Rural Health student accommodation sites, may also be entitled to receive a Rent Assistance payment. As payments are assessed individually, students are required to contact Centrelink direct.*

### Scope

Students, staff and key stakeholders of Monash Rural Health, Monash University

### Responsibility for implementation

All staff and key stakeholders of Monash Rural Health accommodation sites and facilities

### Endorsement bodies

Monash Rural Health Managers Committee  
Monash Rural Health Executive Committee

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### Appendix

Monash Rural Health student accommodation standard furnishings guide for units/houses in 2019



**MONASH RURAL HEALTH STUDENT ACCOMMODATION**  
**STANDARD FURNISHINGS GUIDE FOR UNITS/HOUSES in 2019**

**Kitchen**

Can Opener  
Chopping board  
Colander  
Corkscrew  
Crockery set  
Cutlery set  
Drinking glasses  
Fire blanket  
Fire extinguisher  
First Aid Kit  
Fry pan set  
Grater  
Kettle  
Microwave  
Microwave dishes  
Oven mitts  
Plastic kitchen utensil set  
Potato masher  
Refrigerator  
Roasting pan  
Rubbish bin  
Salad bowl  
Saucepan set  
Toaster  
Tongs  
Vegetable peeler  
Sharp knives

**Bedroom**

Bed side lamp  
Bed/Mattress/Base/King Single (minimum)  
Bedside lamp  
Desk Chairs  
Globes  
Student desk/table

**Laundry / Bathroom**

Broom  
Brush and shovel  
Door mats  
Iron  
Ironing board  
Mop  
Plastic Bucket  
Small rubbish bin  
Toilet brush  
Vacuum cleaner plus bags (if applicable)  
Washing machine

**Lounge**

Coffee Table  
Dining Setting  
Lounge Suite  
Side tables  
Television  
Television cabinet