

BANKSTOWN BASE

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Bankstown is approximately 40 minutes from the CBD and 40 minutes from CareFlight's base at Westmead (out of peak hour traffic).

CareFlight provides 50% of the doctors (registrars and specialists) to the Bankstown base and the Ambulance Service of NSW (ASNSW) provides the other 50%.

All CareFlight registrars are rostered to the Bankstown base and this would constitute approximately 60% of a registrar's rostered time.

Shifts

- 50% of Bankstown shifts are on duty crewing one of the two helicopters (Agusta-Westland AW-139s)
- 50% of Bankstown shifts are on call for road ambulance retrievals from around Sydney and fixed wing aircraft (KingAir B200) long-range retrievals from around NSW
- Registrars do a mix of day and night shifts, both on duty and on call, including weekends and public holidays:
 - Day shift: 0730 – 1930
 - Night shift: 1930 – 0730



Operation

The majority of missions are inter-hospital transfers, but there are a significant number of 'primary' scene responses, mostly road traffic accidents.

Registrars are trained in winch rescue as part of their induction training, with renewal of this training (on the ground) at monthly intervals – known as 'currency' training.

Note: for more information, see [General Orientation Program](#).



The majority of shifts are at the Bankstown base.

Registrars are rostered to the Orange base for two to three days duration, approximately five to six times per rotation.

Note: for more information, see [Orange Base](#).

