Resident Medical Officers

WA Country Health Service (WACHS) South West is seeking highly motivated and innovative medical professionals to join our team in 2014 as Resident Medical Officers – based in Bunbury.

Resident Medical Officer 1-3 (level 2-4) $79,032 - $94,593pa *

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Bunbury is a picturesque harbour city on the south west coast of WA, 175km or two hours drive from Perth, in the heart of the South West – WA’s premier holiday region.

Bunbury Hospital is a 135 bed public facility co-located with a similarly sized private hospital. It delivers health care to more than 80,000 of the region’s local residents as well as visitors and acts as the regional referral centre for the district. The Emergency Department provides good exposure to a young and diverse case-mix, reflective of a major teaching hospital, but in a regional/rural setting. Bunbury campus is undergoing an upgrade which includes the first ICU outside of the Metropolitan area, a comprehensive cancer care centre and an extended ED – all expected to be operation by mid 2013.

Some of the indulgences you can enjoy while living in this beautiful seaside city are all types of water sports along the coast and within the harbour, bushwalking and camping in local forests, tasting the award winning wines from our fantastic local wineries, and enjoying fresh local produce in your home and in restaurants and cafes….and all this with no traffic snarls!

Positions available, commencing January 2014

- 6 x full time Emergency Medicine posts offering 6 month and 1 year contracts
- 5x full time posts providing a full year of rotations in Paediatrics, Psychiatry, Emergency Medicine, Leave relief and General Medicine
- 5x full time posts providing a full year of rotations in Geriatrics, Psychiatry, Emergency Medicine, Leave relief and General Medicine
- 1x PGY3 6 a full year rotation in General Practice/Paediatrics and Specialty Surgery.

Workplace Based Assessment Program

Bunbury Hospital is proud to offer up to 10 places for International Medical Graduates (IMGs) to complete a Workplace-Based Assessment (WBA) Program as an alternative to the Australian Medical Council (AMC) Clinical Examination, on the Standard Pathway to general registration.

WBA tests performance, using a range of assessment methods and multiple assessors, at Postgraduate Year 1 level, in six clinical areas, over 12 months, in the actual environment of the doctors’ everyday clinical practice.
The assessment process and confirmation of AMC results and application for AMC certificates is scheduled to occur within a 12 months period. Candidates wishing to participate in WBA must apply via the RMO centralised recruitment process indicating their interest in WBA. Candidates must be successful in receiving an offer of employment with Bunbury Hospital, and will be invited to apply for the WBA once employment with the hospital has been confirmed. Further information on the WBA is available from the AMC at: http://www.amc.org.au/index.php/ass/apo

The Role

The successful applicants will have at least 12 months previous experience in surgical, medical and emergency departments within Australia or a recognised competent authority country (United Kingdom, Canada, United States, New Zealand and Ireland) and have an interest in working in a regional location.

Candidates must be eligible for registration with the Medical Board. Please refer to the Medical Board of Australia website: www.medicalboard.gov.au for eligibility for registration. Please refer to the Australian Medical Council website: www.amc.org.au for information on pathways for registration for International Medical Graduates.

Essential

- Demonstrated clinical and procedural experience.
- Demonstrated highly developed communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work in a multidisciplinary team environment.
- Demonstrated organisational and time management skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to clinical governance within health care.
- Demonstrated understanding and knowledge of Aboriginal Cultural Respect Framework

The Package

The position of Resident Medical Officer is a fixed term, full-time role (80 hours per fortnight).

The salary is per Department of Health Medical Practitioners (WA Country Health Service) AMA Industrial Agreement 2011:

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*includes base salary $74,103 - $89,664 and professional development allowance $4,929.

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In addition (in line with operational requirements), 9% employer contributed superannuation, access to salary packaging up to $19,000 pa, professional development opportunities and study leave/assistance, flexible leave arrangements and relocation assistance apply to this position.
How to Apply

We invite you to apply for the 2014 RMO posts by visiting the Post Graduate Medical Council of Western Australia website and following the prompts for the 2014 Centralised Application process.

Applicant must submit a cover letter advising the position applying to, rotations of interest and a list the WACHS hospitals you wish to work in order of preference.

Enquires: for further information please contact the Director of Medical Services, Dr Ross Duncan, WACHS Southwest on (08) 9781 2325.

The Process

First round offers will be on the first week of August 2013. (PMEU to advise)

Please note phone calls to WACHS sites enquiring about the induction applications will delay these processes.