The positions are accredited for up to 12 months of Advanced training in General Medicine, though applications for shorter appointments will be considered. The trainees are resident in Broome but provide outpatient clinics throughout the Kimberley region, including in hospitals, remote community clinics and Aboriginal Health Services, travelling around the Kimberley region by light aircraft or 4 wheel drive vehicle.

These positions provide a fantastic opportunity to gain extensive experience in Indigenous health and ambulatory and community based medicine in addition to continuing to gain experience in hospital medicine. The majority of patients you will see have multiple complex chronic co-morbidities, including conditions such as rheumatic heart disease and some infectious diseases rarely encountered in tertiary hospital settings. Supervision is provided by three resident General Physicians, whose special interests include diabetes, rheumatic heart disease, viral hepatitis and obstetric medicine. There are also visiting specialists (Cardiology, Nephrology, Rheumatology and Dermatology). You will become part of a close knit team that also works closely with primary care providers and Aboriginal Health Workers. There are opportunities to undertake clinical audit and/or research projects. Out of hours work is minimal, calls being taken almost entirely by the 2 Consultants, so you will also have ample opportunity when off work to enjoy the beautiful Kimberley environment.

The successful applicant will hold a primary medical degree registrable with the Medical Board of Australia. You will be an advanced trainee in General Medicine, or undertaking dual advanced training in General Medicine plus a subspecialty. Subspecialty advanced trainees who wish to gain experience in rural general medicine and aboriginal health care are also encouraged to apply.

The Package

Salary as per Department of Health Medical Practitioners (WA Country Health Service) AMA Industrial Agreement 2013: Full Time (80 hours per fortnight), Fixed Term. Classification and increment is based on year of training.

Health Service Medical Practitioner Year 1 - 6 (equivalent to Registrar Year 4 - Senior Registrar Year 2)

$221,171 - $278,180 pa*

*Includes base salary $137,054 - $177,775, professional development allowance $29,295 and an allowance in lieu of private practice $54,822 - $71,110. Rates as of 1 October 2015. (Rates for October 2016 are not yet known).

An additional District Allowance, 9.50% employer contributed superannuation, travel concessions and a generous rental subsidy are payable. Other benefits include access to generous salary packaging options up to $19,000, and 5 weeks annual leave (pro-rata, inclusive of 4 weeks general and 1 week north west leave). Oncall and recall payments may also apply to this position. Two weeks study leave pro rata as well as annual leave.

For further information call Dr Lydia Scott, General Medical Consultant on 0477 339 987 or email: Lydia.Scott@health.wa.gov.au
About the Region

Broome has a population of 15,000 increasing to over 40,000 during the tourist or ‘dry’ season of April to October. Over 2,200km from Perth, is the administrative centre of the Kimberley and home to the world famous Cable Beach.

Hospital Services/Facilities: Broome Hospital is a 40 bed inpatient facility and is the Regional Resource Centre in the Kimberley supporting facilities in Derby and Kununurra. Broome Hospital offer the following services: Emergency, Maternity, General Medical, Medical Imaging, Aged Care, Dental, Alcohol Rehabilitation, Aboriginal Health, Mental Health, Physiotherapy, Podiatry Day Surgery, Allied Health, Community Drug Service and Ambulance. In late 2012 the Broome Hospital underwent a redevelopment providing a new operating theatres, hospital entry and new visitors are; a new administration block; specialist centre including consulting rooms for visiting specialists, treatment bays, reception and waiting rooms, audiology booth and public dental surgery. As well as a new service building; extension to the acute inpatient wards by 10 beds; including a 4 bed high dependency unit plus the addition of a neonatal nursery; refurbished medical/surgical wards and maternity unit.

Climate: Due to the coastal location, Broome’s climate is more moderate, without the extremes of inland regions. During the dry winter, it has warm, sunny days averaging about 28C with cool nights. The summer months average about 33C during the day, with beautiful balmy nights. Coastal breezes are normally experienced year round.

Shopping Facilities: Broome has a large range of shopping facilities, including Target Country, Coles Supermarket, Chinatown and Action Supermarket. Banks include Westpac, Commonwealth, ANZ and Bank West.

Entertainment: Broome has a range of pubs and restaurants. The town has both an indoor and outdoor cinema. Broome also hosts to a range of cultural events.

Recreation: A broad range of recreation facilities is available including library, recreation centre, ovals, civic centre, aquatic centre, squash courts and school holiday programs.

Education Facilities: Broome has 7 primary schools and 2 secondary schools. TAFE WA (Kimberley) has a Broome based campus. Notre Dame University and Edith Cowan University also have campuses in Broome.

How to Apply

To apply for this position, apply online at:
www.wa.country.health.gov.au > work with us > medical careers > medical vacancies

The “Apply Here” button will take you to a ‘pooled’ application process on the WA Jobs Board.

Applicants are advised to write a statement addressing the selection criteria and provide a detailed curriculum vitae which summarises your experience and how you are able to meet the position requirements. The selection criteria can be found within the Job description form (JDF), this can be located by clicking the position title on the WACHS Medical Vacancies webpage.

Documents should be complete and ready to attach prior to applying online. Please ensure that you attach a cover letter stating the position you are applying to.

Applicants if suitable, are accepted to the Medical Practitioners Recruitment Pool, as advertised on the WA Jobs Boards, Ref CH889. Your CV will remain on file until the closure of the pool. You may be contacted during this time to determine your interest in future vacancies.

If shortlisted for an interview, you will be contacted to arrange a suitable time to be interviewed.