



Government of Western Australia
WA Country Health Service

ROTATION OPPORTUNITY IN COUNTRY WA

Hedland Health Campus



Living and working in Hedland

Port Hedland is a dynamic town located in WA's Northwest, and home to around 16,000 people from diverse cultural backgrounds.

Hedland's lifestyle is relaxed and the location on the ocean provides for a variety of leisure activities such as boating, fishing and swimming.

Hedland Health Campus has a number of services:

- 24-hour emergency care
- Aged care, allied health and population health services
- Mental health, drug and alcohol services
- Maternity and obstetric services
- Visiting specialists providing cardiology, ENT and urology services



Rotations available in 2027:

Employer	Intern	Resident Medical Officer
Joondalup Health Campus	General Medicine	Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital	General Medicine	Emergency, General Surgery, Paediatrics
Royal Perth Hospital	General Surgery	

Current at time of publishing - subject to change

Supporting your move

Relocation

The Hedland MEO will book your return flights and car relocation. Generally, you will arrive in Hedland on the first Monday of term and will be taken directly to the hospital in time for orientation. A member of staff will take you to pick up your vehicle at the end of your first day.

There is no public transport available in Hedland, so your car is essential for getting to and from work. If you cannot bring a vehicle, carpooling with another junior doctor is recommended.

Accommodation

Housing is located about a 20-minute drive from the hospital, and is a group of one-bedroom self-contained units. The units are equipped with furniture, bedding, a towel, WiFi access and all the tools required to cook at home.

You must complete an *Accommodation Request Form* detailing any special requirements so we are able to allocate you appropriate housing if available. Seconded JMOs are not required to pay for accommodation expenses.

Please note: There is no entitlement to relocate or house family members for short term secondments.

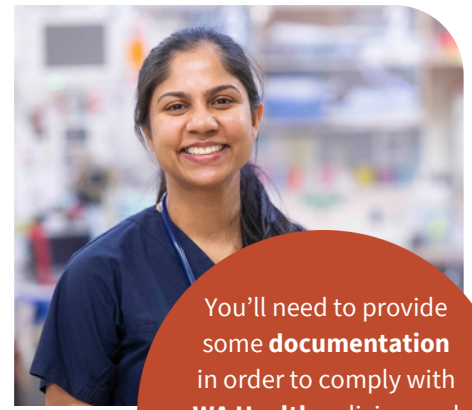
Get involved

There's plenty of opportunities to get involved in the community:

- Visit the [Pilbara Health Professional Network](#) for local education and social events.
- Departmental pot-luck lunches are common and open to anyone who wants to get involved.
- If you're into sport, you're in luck as there is a quite popular social sporting scene in Hedland.
- There is often a weekly quiz night in town - just ask the local hospital staff where and when.
- Health staff members may receive discounted memberships down at the local gym.



Hear from the different
teams in the Pilbara about
what it's like!



You'll need to provide some **documentation** in order to comply with **WA Health** policies, and for us to best assist with you with a **smooth transition**.

Requirements

All doctors working at a WA Country Health Service site must have a current:

- Working with Children's Check
- Australian National Police Clearance or Criminal Record Screening
- Pre-Employment Health Assessment Form (N10) (we will contact you via email on how and when to complete this)
- Medicare provider number for your WA Country Health Service site and any other regional site you will be working at. To apply:
 1. Register via PRODA to apply for a provider number online.
 2. Once you have created an account, you will need to enter your WA Country Health Service site details.
 3. Notify your employing hospital of your new provider number/s.

The WA Health Health Care Worker Immunisation Policy requires all doctors working at WA Country Health Service to be immunised for: Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (dTpa), Hepatitis B, Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Varicella, Influenza, Hepatitis A (as required), and other vaccinations that may become a requirement as directed by WA Country Health Service in the future.



Rosters and leave

- You'll receive your term roster from the Hedland MEO at least two weeks prior to your commencement.
- Any leave requests once you've commenced your term must be approved by your home hospital, then your Head of Department before a Leave Form is submitted to the Hedland MEO.



Orientation and education

- Hospital and departmental orientation commences on the first Monday of your rotation.
- You will complete a beginning of term discussion with your term supervisor.
- A swipe card and IT access will be arranged for you by the local administrative team.

Educational activities will be incorporated into your work hours, including formal face-to-face teaching. Additionally, you will have access to bedside teaching, observation, external education sessions, staff meetings and case discussions. Virtual educational programs are also offered by the Central Medical Education Unit.



Assessment and support

Your term supervisor will provide feedback on your progress through EPAs, mid- and end-of-term assessments through Clinical Learning Australia, and transfer with your profile.

The local and central Medical Education Unit teams are always available for support and assistance, so don't hesitate to reach out!

Contacts us

For more information, please contact your local Medical Education team or the WACHS Medical Education Unit.

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