



ROTATION OPPORTUNITY IN COUNTRY WA

Northam Health Service



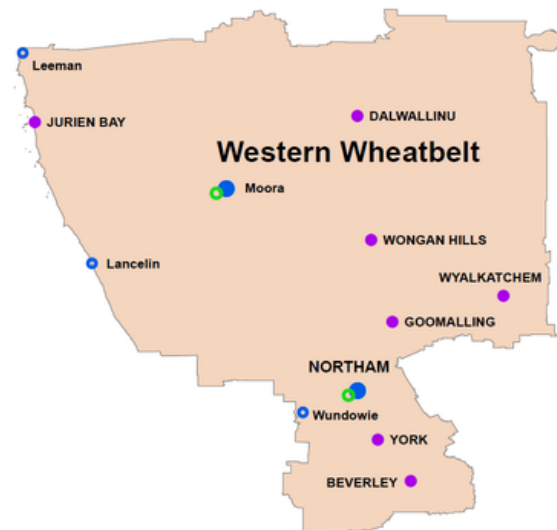
Living and working in Northam

The town of Northam is situated in the heart of the Avon Valley, the largest town in the Avon region. The Avon River flows through the centre of the town and is home to the famous White Mute Swans.

On your days off, you can find a range of attractions, including hot air ballooning, wildflowers, tours and hiking trails, and more. Plus, you can find festivals and markets on many weekends in Toodyay or York, just 20 minutes away!

Northam Health Service has a number of services:

- 24-hour Emergency Department
- Acute medical services
- Cancer care, gastroenterology, gynaecology, palliative care, surgical services
- Ophthalmology, urology and vascular surgery from various visiting specialists



Rotations available in 2027:

Employer	Intern	Resident Medical Officer
Joondalup Health Campus	General Medicine	General Medicine
Fiona Stanley Hospital	General Medicine, Emergency	General Medicine, Emergency, Medical Specialties

Current at time of publishing - subject to change

Supporting your move

Relocation

Northam is only an hour-and-a-half drive from Perth. Most junior doctors will drive across to Northam on the first Monday to settle into their accommodation. It is strongly encouraged to have your own car, as public transport is very limited in Northam.

Kilometre usage applicable to a return trip may be claimed at the commencement and conclusion of your employment.

Accommodation

Junior doctors are offered high quality, sole or shared accommodation. All housing is fully equipped with furniture, bedding, WiFi access and all 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.

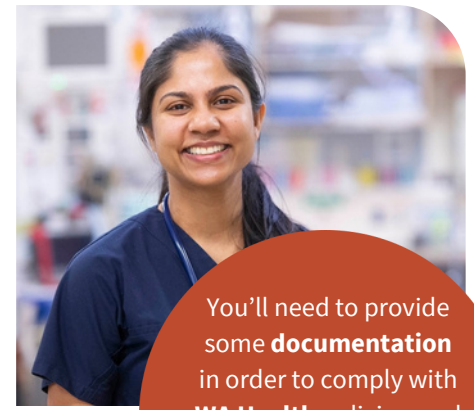
Get involved

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

- Connecting with the Northam Doctors in Training Society (NorDITs), who coordinate welcome dinners/breakfasts and other social and educational activities throughout the year.
- The Wheatbelt Health Professional Network, for multi-disciplinary networking and guest presenter events.
- The *Barefoot Bowls* competition at the local bowling club runs a couple of times a year.
- The Northam Lions Club hosts a Farmers Market on the first Saturday of each month, where you can find fresh honey, baked goods, fruits, plants, and various other handicrafts.



See what a day in the
life of a JMO in
Northam is 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 Northam MEO at least two weeks prior to your commencement.
- Any leave requests once you've commenced your term must be approved by your Head of Department and a Leave Form submitted to the Northam MEO.



Orientation and education

- Hospital and departmental orientation commences on the first Tuesday 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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