

**JOB DESCRIPTION FOR POSITION OF:
MEDICAL OFFICER, KIUNGA, WESTERN PROVINCE, PNG**

- Provide medical services to community health centres and aid posts operated by the Diocese of Daru-Kiunga, often in remote and inaccessible areas. This should be in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the Diocese and ADI and in consultation with the Catholic Health Office at the Montfort Catholic Mission, Kiunga.
- Support, advise, encourage and share information with community health and aid workers to improve their working environment, medical knowledge, morale and influence within their communities.
- Provide medical services to Kiunga Hospital, community health centres and aid posts operated by the District government in consultation with health service personnel from National, Provincial and District Health Offices in Western Province
- Follow up on public health programs initiated by ADI in Western Province, primarily malaria bed net education and use and filariasis drug treatment during patrols.
- Improve the provision, availability and ordering of essential drugs through the existing channels, particularly those drugs necessary to treat and/or eliminate infectious diseases such as TB and leprosy.
- Introduce and facilitate workshops and other teaching programs on agreed health topics in consultation with the Catholic Health Office and the District Health Office.
- Provide the community with basic health and hygiene education where possible.
- Work with the community on issues such as domestic violence, gender equity, physical and sexual abuse and risk taking behaviour.
- Provide professional leadership to the ADI team in the field.
- Other tasks as agreed with the ADI Board, General Manager and doctor.

Reporting Requirements

- Liaison with ADI field staff and the Catholic Health Office
- Patrol reports to ADI Sydney office
- Casemix
- End of deployment report

Selection Criteria

Essential

- M.B. B.S. from a recognised Australian University (or equivalent)
- Four (4) years post-graduate experience which includes primary health care
- Current medical registration in a state or territory in Australia (or equivalent)
- An understanding, interest and empathy with people in other countries; their culture, traditions, customs and beliefs
- An interest in humanitarian aid
- An ability to accept traditional medicine as part of primary health care
- Fit, healthy and able to undertake patrols to remote areas with limited amenities
- Ability to impart knowledge and confidence in a teaching role to health workers and villagers
- Non-judgmental, flexible, creative and tolerant
- Experience in leading, supervising and managing others
- Provide the names and contact details of three professional referees who can support their credentials

Desirable

- Experience in rural or remote communities in Australia or overseas
- Experience or interest in tropical medicine