

## **Job Description**

### **Volunteer Medical Officer, Integrated Health Patrols**

- Location:** Kiunga, Western Province, Papua New Guinea
- Mission:** Australian Doctors International (ADI) demonstrates its commitment to upholding the universal right to health care by working with local partners to provide and strengthen health services in rural and remote communities.
- Scope:** The ADI Volunteer Medical Officer works as part of a multidisciplinary team providing clinical and preventative healthcare services across remote health centres and aid posts in Western Province. The patrols are conducted by boat or four-wheel drive and last up to two weeks staying in local guest houses, villages and health facilities. The primary focus for the ADI MO is to build the clinical capacity of rural health workers through case-based and group training whilst on patrol.
- Reports to:** PNG Program Manager

### **Responsibilities**

- Provide clinical treatment with case-based teaching on patrol and in local clinics in Western Province
- Undertake clinical training with local staff in patrol villages
- Support disease prevention / community education activities on patrol and in Kiunga
- Provide clinical services, patient follow-up and training in Kiunga
- Work with local staff to increase knowledge and skills in medical processes and resources
- Deliver in-service training to meet locally identified needs
- Liaise with Catholic Health and Horizon Oil in patrol planning and debrief
- Oversee medical supplies for patrols and monitor storage facilities
- Advocate for improvements to health service delivery

**Position Criteria**

- Minimum four (4) years post-graduate experience, including primary health care experience
- Minimum MBBS (Australia) or equivalent from New Zealand, PNG, UK, Ireland, Canada or Singapore
- Current national medical registration

**Preferred**

- Current resident of Australia
- Experience in providing medical services in remote and rural areas
- Experience in clinical teaching and/or mentoring
- Experience or interest in tropical medicine
- Experience in case-based teaching and community education projects in various settings
- Awareness of cross cultural issues in providing clinical services in communities using traditional medicine
- Fit, healthy and able to undertake patrols to remote areas with limited amenities
- Proficient swimmer as some travel to health centres is by banana boat
- Effective cross cultural communication and team working skills with a passion for improving health outcomes in rural and remote PNG