

## Job Description

### Volunteer Senior Nurse/Nurse Practitioner

- Title:** Senior Nurse/Nurse Practitioner
- Location:** Various provincial locations in Papua New Guinea
- Duration:** 3-6 months
- 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 Senior Nurse/Nurse Practitioner works as part of a multidisciplinary team providing clinical and preventative healthcare services across remote health centres and aid posts in PNG. The patrols are conducted by boat, four-wheel drive or plane/chopper and last up to two weeks staying in local guest houses, villages and health facilities. Mode of transport varies depending on the location, as does the duration of the patrols. The focus for the ADI nurse is to build the clinical capacity of rural health workers through case-based and group training delivering clinical care as part of a patrol team whilst on patrol. This role is also responsible for representation of ADI on the ground.
- Reports to:** Program Manager
- Position type:** Volunteer with living allowance and costs covered

### Responsibilities

- Undertake outreach health patrols with ADI's local healthcare service providers
- Provide clinical treatment with case-based teaching on patrol and in local clinics consistent with PNG's Standard Treatment Manuals
- Undertake clinical training with local staff from rural health centres and aid posts while on patrol
- Support disease prevention / community education activities on patrol

- Work with local staff to increase knowledge and skills in medical processes and resources
- Deliver/support in-service training to meet locally identified needs
- Liaise with our health service provider partners in patrol planning and debrief
- Oversee medical supplies for patrols and monitor storage facilities
- Ongoing communications with our health service provider partners
- Advocate for improvements to health service delivery

### **Position Criteria**

- Minimum ten (10) years post-graduate experience
- Bachelor of Nursing (Australia) or equivalent from New Zealand, PNG, UK, Ireland, Canada or Singapore;
- Current registration with Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (or equivalent from New Zealand, UK, Ireland, Canada or Singapore)

### **Preferred**

- A current resident of Australia
- Experience in providing medical services in remote and rural areas or low-resource settings
- Experience or interest in tropical medicine
- Experience in case-based teaching, community education or mentoring projects

### **In addition**

- Have a preparedness to work in low-resource settings within a challenging but rewarding environment where both patience and tenacity are highly valued
- 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

ADI's commitment to its duty of care is reflected in its [Child Safeguarding Policy](#) and [Child Safeguarding Code of Conduct](#) promoting the protection and safety of children. ADI's policy and code of conduct establishes internal measures to prevent and respond to child abuse and exploitation in its programs and operations across PNG.

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