THE ROYAL DARWIN HOSPITAL ICU REGISTRARS AND SENIOR REGISTRAR

Royal Darwin Hospital is looking for Intensive Care Registrars and an Intensive Care Senior Registrar /Fellow for 6 or 12 month posts from February 2016.

Darwin is a modern vibrant tropical city, on the doorstep of Arnhem Land and the Kimberly wilderness, and the gateway to south East Asia.

The Royal Darwin Hospital (RDH) Intensive Care Unit services a population of 180,000 people across the Top End of Australia to The Eastern Kimberley in an area of more than 500,000 square kilometres with 6,200 kilometres of coastline. RDH is the forward receiving hospital for South East Asia and plays a major role in disaster management in the region. It is the only Intensive Care Unit for 2000km in any direction.

The Department of Intensive Care is employs 7 ICU Specialists, 1 ICU Fellow, 5 ICU registrars and 5 ICU RMOs.

The RDH ICU is an 18 bed mixed Paediatric/Adult Level 3 ICU with approximately 1000 admissions per annum. The case mix is unique with more than 50% of admissions being Indigenous patients, often from remote communities. The clinical work is challenging and requires the full range of intensive care skills. Our patients are relatively young with a high severity of illness. The majority of admissions are for trauma, pneumonia and sepsis, including tropical diseases such as melioidosis and TB. There are 60-70 paediatric admissions each year – many with complex ICU requirements.

Royal Darwin Hospital is the National Critical Care and Trauma Centre and the ICU plays an important role in trauma and disaster response in the region. RDH ICU also supports regional hospitals such as Katherine and Gove hospitals through video case conferencing, annual seminar and outreach educational visits.

We are an active member of the ANZICS Clinical Trials Group with a full time research coordinator and an active research program.

ICU Registrar Applicants

RDH ICU is CICM accredited for basic and 12 months advanced training and meets the requirements for paediatric and trauma training in the new CICM curriculum. There is a strong emphasis on teaching, with a weekly tutorial program. There is a commitment to supporting candidates undertaking exams and a high success rate with the FANZCA and CICM primary exam. The post entails shift work, on a regular 7 days on: 7 days off roster. Entitlements include 6 weeks annual recreation leave, 1 week study leave, and a Professional Development Allowance. Further salary details available on application.

Training positions are open to trainees in other acute specialties such as Anaesthesia, General Medicine and Emergency Medicine.

In general RDH ICU registrar applicants will need to fulfil the following criteria:

- PGY 4 or above
- ICU experience: 3-6 months
- Airway experience
- College membership
- For ICU trainees evidence of progress towards the CICM primary
- For ACEM registrars success at college primary
- A mixture of other experiences in acute medicine/ED/paeds or remote medicine is desirable

Applicants can view further information at the following website.


Applications should be accompanied by a recent CV and 2 referees from the last 24 months.

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