

Intensive Care Specialist

Start date

Flexible start date from 1 Apr 2024

Duration

3 to 6 months

Country

Fiji

Assignment type

In-country - Supported by Australian Volunteers Program

Partner Organisation

**The College of Medicine, Nursing, and Health Sciences, Fiji National University
Global Intensive Care Initiative – An ANZICS/CICM collaboration**

Closes

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About the assignment:

We're looking for an Intensive Care Specialist who can volunteer in-country for three to six months. Join the Australian Volunteers Program to contribute to sustainable development across the Pacific.

About the Partner Organisations:

The College of Medicine, Nursing, and Health Sciences (CMNHS) at the Fiji National University (FNU) is the leading medical education institute of the South Pacific. The CMNHS strives towards excellence in the training and education of health professionals who are now serving in key positions in the Pacific and overseas. The *Master of Medicine – Intensive Care Medicine* will be offered by FNU for the first time in 2023 as a postgraduate Intensive Care Specialist training program for the Pacific.

The Global Intensive Care Initiative (GICI) is a collaboration between the Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society (ANZICS) and the College of Intensive Care Medicine (CICM). The aim of GICI is to improve critical care in resource limited settings by understanding local values and healthcare expectations and fostering collaboration in education, research, and expertise.

The aim of this **In-Country Assignment** is to provide academic and clinical support to FNU in the delivery of the Master of Medicine – Intensive Care Medicine in 2023. In this volunteer role you will:

- Help train local Fijian and Pacific Island specialists in Intensive Care Medicine.
- Teach and work clinically in the Intensive Care at Lautoka Hospital, Lautoka.
- Provide supervision and teaching to local trainees in clinical, education, and examination roles.
- Work with local specialists and a locally residing FCICM (Dr Lisa Bennett) to develop and deliver the new programme.

Duties and responsibilities:

1. Clinical supervision and teaching in the Intensive Care Unit, specifically for Anaesthesia and Intensive Care trainees. Teaching also includes undergraduates and postgraduates from other speciality groups working in the ICU on clinical rotation, such as Cardiology, General Medicine, etc.
2. Preparation for and participation in journal clubs and problem-based learning.
3. Participation in weekly departmental teaching as part of the Morbidity and Mortality meetings and the continuing medical education programme of the hospital.
4. Assist creating and undertaking trainee assessments including ITAs, Mini CExs, logbook assessments, assignment marking, and creation and marking of written assessments.
5. Act as local faculty for the following medical education short courses: BASIC and Beyond BASIC (Mechanical Ventilation, Airway, Nephrology). Other courses such as CCrISP, EMST, APLS, ACLS, Primary Trauma Care (PTC).

You should be:

1. A Fellow of the College of Intensive Care Medicine.
2. An Australian citizen or permanent resident.
3. Qualified instructor for BASIC.
4. An effective communicator.
5. Adaptable and flexible, particularly in the context of low resource settings.
6. Have excellent intercultural skills.
7. Have an interest in Medical Education or Low Resource Intensive Care Medicine.
8. Ideally have experience working in the Pacific or low resource settings.

Allowances:

Settling in Allowance: \$500 AUD once off

Resettlement Allowance: \$500 AUD once off

Living Allowance: \$1344 AUD per month

Accommodation Allowance: \$1172 AUD per month

Flights to and from the volunteer location will be paid for by the Australian Volunteers Program.

Medical Indemnity and Travel insurance will be paid for by the Australian Volunteers Program.

How do I apply?

For more information email the below point of contact or visit: <https://www.australianvolunteers.com>

To apply, please forward a brief cover letter and CV to:

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PNG/Pacific Lead

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