



Central Australia Health Service
NORTHERN TERRITORY HEALTH



Alice Springs Intensive Care Consultant Vacancy



An exciting opportunity exists for an intensive care consultant interested in practicing in, arguably, the most remote ICU in the country.

Alice Springs lies in Mparntwe, home to the Arrernte people. It is a beautiful and unique part of the world with high quality educational facilities, interesting community, many art and sporting facilities and a backyard that many travel across the world to see. It is home to the world famous Larapinta trail, and has a rapidly evolving mountain bike scene, as well as important cultural events including the desert art festival and Parrtjima. It has appeal for both the keenest of outdoor adventurers, as well as those seeking cultural diversions.



You will be working in a newly redeveloped 10-bedded unit. There are approximately 650 adult and 50 paediatric admissions to the unit per year, comprising a mixture of intensive care and high dependency cases. Most admissions (95%) are emergency offering excitement and a wide variety of case-mix. The opportunity exists to manage pathology that is often only read about rather than experienced and includes rheumatic heart disease, infectious diseases, autoimmune disease and bronchiectasis.



The demographic the unit serves is unique, and patients admitted to this ICU have a younger median age than anywhere else in Australia, are more likely to be Aboriginal, and carry a heavy burden of chronic disease including diabetes and vascular disease. Alice Springs is also home to the largest haemodialysis centre in the Southern Hemisphere.

We are looking for an enthusiastic consultant who has some paediatric experience to join the team. You will be one of four full time consultants, who share the on call requirements. The unit has strong links to tertiary services based in Adelaide. The opportunity will exist to develop and improve services through education and safety and quality work. There will be opportunities to build on existing research and expand existing relationships with a number of universities with which the unit has affiliations including Flinders University, Melbourne University, Monash University or the Baker Institute for the interested applicant.



The Alice Springs Hospital Intensive Care Unit has been accredited as a Level 2 intensive care for 6 months of training.

The remuneration will be in accordance with the current EBA negotiations starting from SMO1:1, and includes 6 weeks annual recreation leave. Consultants seeking part time employment will also be considered.

For application or questions, please contact **Penny Stewart**, Director of Intensive Care Unit.
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Start date from February 2022 – negotiable
Applications close: October 10th