



**RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE RIGHT PERSON**  
**PART TIME (0.5 FTE) INTENSIVE CARE SPECIALIST**  
**July 2015 to December 2016**  
**ROYAL DARWIN HOSPITAL**

Royal Darwin Hospital (RDH) services a population of 180,000 people across the Top End of Australia. The RDH Intensive Care Unit (ICU) services the Top End of the Northern Territory and the Eastern Kimberley. RDH is the forward receiving hospital for South East Asia and plays a major role in disaster management in the region and is the only Intensive Care Unit for 2000km in any direction.

The Department of Intensive Care is a dynamic and busy department with 7 ICU Specialists, 1 ICU Fellow, 5 ICU registrars and 5 ICU RMOs. Specialists work extended roster hours resulting in a good work life balance.

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

RDH ICU is CICM accredited for basic and 12 months advanced training and meets the requirements for paediatric and trauma training in the new curriculum. We are an active member of the ANZICS Clinical Trials Group with a full time research coordinator and an active research program.

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.

Darwin itself is one of Australia's best kept secrets. The city provides all the amenities to enjoy this tropical lifestyle including fishing, sailing, sport or just relaxing under a palm tree. National parks abound - a weekend in Kakadu, a trip to the Kimberley, camping out in Litchfield Park - it's all at our doorstep. It is a vibrant growing community full of opportunities.

Applicants must have CICM Fellowship. Applicants must specifically address the selection criteria (detailed on the next page) in writing, provide a current CV including evidence of continuing professional development and contact details for 2 referees within last 2 years including email addresses. Part time employment with another area of the hospital or with Careflight NT retrieval services may be available to complement the 0.5 FTE on offer.

Applications to A/Prof Dianne Stephens: [dianne.stephens@nt.gov.au](mailto:dianne.stephens@nt.gov.au)

**Closing date for applications: 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2015**

**START YOUR ADVENTURE TODAY**

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Job Title:	Part time (0.5 FTE) Intensive Care Specialist
Work Unit:	Royal Darwin Hospital Department of Intensive Care
Responsible To:	Royal Darwin Hospital Director of ICU
Remuneration:	NT Medical Officers Agreement (SMO 1.1-1.6 depending on years of experience as a Specialist)

### **Key Responsibilities**

1. Provide expert ICU management of patients admitted to the RDH Department of Intensive Care and patients referred to the Department of Intensive Care for specialist opinion in accordance with the policies and guidelines of RDH ICU.
2. Provide advice on the management of critically ill patients including patients in geographically isolated centres in the Northern Territory and Eastern Kimberley region of WA.
3. Provide routine and emergency after hours care and consultancy service including extended hours roster and weekend work.
4. Direct, coordinate, supervise, manage and evaluate the work of subordinate ICU medical staff.
5. Participate in continuous medical education including undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, professional development, peer review, work partnership plans, research, teaching, quality improvement activities and clinical audits.
6. Represent ICU on RDH committees in a collaborative and productive manner demonstrating respect for other departments of the hospital.

### **Selection Criteria**

#### **Essential**

1. Unconditional medical registration with Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency
2. Admitted to Fellowship of the College of Intensive Care Medicine of Australia and New Zealand
3. Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication skills and the ability to interact positively in a cross-cultural work environment
4. Proven ability to work collaboratively and follow standardised clinical guidelines
5. An interest in and a commitment to improving Indigenous health.
6. Knowledge of and commitment to continuing education, teaching, audit, research, national safety and quality standards, organ donation and guideline development.
7. Proven ability to manage self and others, monitor performance, manage change and develop policy.

#### **Desirable**

1. Paediatric ICU experience, training and/or course work is desirable but not essential

### **Further Information**

Please submit your application specifically addressing selection criteria, a current C.V. and 2 current referees with email and phone contacts to A/Prof Dianne Stephens, Director of ICU via email on [dianne.stephens@nt.gov.au](mailto:dianne.stephens@nt.gov.au)