

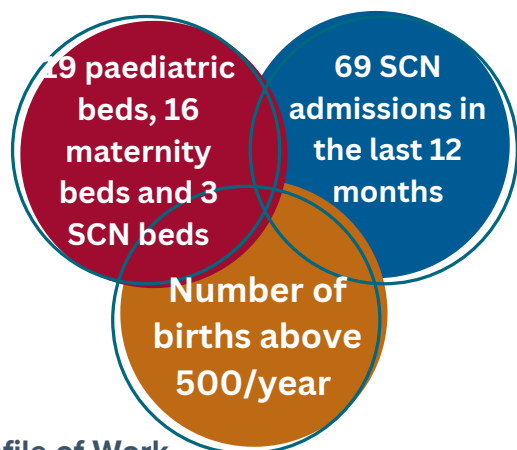


**Accreditation with
RACP for 6 months
Developmental/com
munity training if
position is for 12
months.**

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Profile of Work

- Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital, The Rural Clinical School and WACHS (Goldfields) is pleased to offer a unique training position for an Advanced Trainee in Paediatrics.
- The position is based in Kalgoorlie and includes acute, emergency, neonatal high dependency care and outpatient paediatrics experience. There is 50% allocation of time to work at Rural Clinical School include teaching, research, academic and remote work. There will be the opportunity to participate in remote area clinics.
- Good communication skills and experience working with Aboriginal families would be of great benefit in this position.
- You will be working with a team of experienced rural paediatricians and several registrars and RMOs.
- This position would suit someone with a passion for Aboriginal and rural health who is planning a career in rural and remote paediatrics.
- The position is offered for a 12-month term although 6-month terms can be considered.
- 24X7 roster sharing with other junior doctors as first on call, supported by consultant second on call, including some weekend covers.
- Inpatient cover for paediatric ward, maternity and SCN. Review of Emergency Department paediatric patients as required and admitting them.
- Outpatient clinic, remote clinic attendance including Griffith's clinic.
- Attend multi-disciplinary team meetings fortnightly and ward review meetings and M&M meetings.
- Teaching of Junior staff, hospital Resident Medical Officers and medical students.

Service Type

The team includes 4 Paediatricians and 5 trainees (Senior Registrar, Registrar and 2 Residents in accredited Paediatric training positions and 1 community residency trainee).

Our team covers neonates, the paediatric ward, and the emergency department. Outpatient services include remote clinics at Leonora, Laverton, Mount Margaret and Coolgardie and development paediatric clinic attached to Kalgoorlie CDC, and hospital-based outpatients clinic. This will enable the advanced trainees complete their requirements of development paediatrics and outpatient logbooks. We generally have more than 2000 outpatient appointments /year. And visiting sub speciality clinics with PCH include cardiology, endocrine, renal, genetics and obesity and diabetes clinic. Senior registrar will attend the visiting developmental paediatrician 2-day clinic once in 3 months.

Esperance and Norseman clinic attended by Advanced trainee and a consultant.

Advanced trainee will also get opportunity to perform Griffith assessments supervised by Developmental paediatrician.

Staffing and Supervision

4 Consultant paediatricians, junior staffing is as mentioned above.

Potential Rotations

6 months or 1 year.



Experience life in the Goldfields Region as an Paediatric Advanced Trainee can't ...

Teaching and Learning

- Monday afternoon Rural clinical school student teaching.
- Thursday afternoon paediatric ward presentations and PCH Grand rounds via video link, once /month Kalgoorlie hospital Grand round senior registrar get opportunity to present in Grand rounds.
- Friday morning case presentations and teaching.
- Teaching on the run during ward rounds.
- Thursday afternoon RMO teaching by senior registrar once bimonthly.
- Visiting sub speciality consultant teaching during the year.
- Senior registrar involved in arranging RCS student teaching and exams and practise FRACP clinical exam for WA candidate annually held in Kalgoorlie.

Kalgoorlie is Australia's largest outback city, and the heart of Western Australia's Goldfields region - Australia's gold capital. The area is more than three times the size of Victoria and covers almost a third of WA's total land mass.

Community is a key strength of the town. Being located inland the weather in Kalgoorlie is usually sunny, giving options to explore the outback and beach-side Esperance during your time off.

Kalgoorlie Health Campus is a 100-bed inpatient facility and the largest regional public hospital in WA. When you join the team at Kalgoorlie Health Campus, you'll become part of a close-knit community of health professionals including specialist general physicians, surgeons, paediatricians, OBGyn and emergency medicine doctors.

The hospital supports medical students through the Rural Clinical School, junior doctors rotating from Perth, Workplace Based Assessment doctors and registrars across a number of specialties. Fly in fly out clinicians and private clinicians provide additional supportive health services to the region.



TESTIMONY - Dr Javeed Iqbal

“I strongly believe that that regional exposure as a Paediatric Advanced Trainee is very important, useful and fulfilled my paediatric fellowship experience.”



I was born and brought up in Jammu and Kashmir norther most part of India, beautiful place surrounded by three mighty countries (India, China and Pakistan). Kashmir valley is a very beautiful place on earth has classical four seasons. Kashmir has meadows, lakes, rivers Forrest and beautiful mountains. In winter we see lot of snow, skiing and other winter international sports event are held each year. I am in Australia for last around 5 years.

My Medical journey began in India, where I completed my medical schooling and paediatric training. This large tertiary hospital and medical school in India, provided me with a solid foundation.

Venturing into rural healthcare, I embraced a transformative experience in 2023 as an advanced trainee paediatrician at Kalgoorlie Hospital and remote clinic experience in Esperance, Leonora, Laverton and Mount Margaret which is an extremely rare opportunity for any trainee in metro to be able to gain. Managing patients, particularly Indigenous communities, enriched my clinical acumen. Additionally, I found joy in teaching medical students at a rural medical school.

Life in regional areas offers tranquillity, fostering a conducive work environment with manageable hours. I prioritized my physical well-being, maintaining a consistent exercise regimen—a notable departure from the bustling metropolitan hospitals. Many trainees echoed similar sentiments, citing enhanced study time and boosted confidence in patient care.

Initially hesitant about rural placements, my perspective shifted upon commencement of work placement. Witnessing firsthand the local perspectives on health and illness, I gained invaluable insights into patient and cultural management. Building trust with patients proved challenging yet rewarding; effective communication, including visual aids, bridged many gaps.

Participating in rural outreach clinics deepened my understanding of developmental paediatrics and prevalent regional conditions like rheumatic heart disease and dermatological ailments. Regular clinical teachings, both bedside and theoretical, supplemented my learning. I am grateful for the extensive experience and support WACHS has provided to me.

I commend my supportive supervisors, whose never-ending support and availability eased my professional and personal challenges. Hospital facilities, coupled with subsidized accommodations, facilitated a conducive learning environment.

Professional challenges occasionally surfaced, such as staffing shortages necessitating patient transfers, while personal hurdles included prolonged separation from family during extended stays.

Despite the challenges, regional training has been transformative, exposing me to rare medical conditions and offering a healthier work-life balance. It has reaffirmed my aspiration to excel as a paediatrician, with a desire to return to regional practice in the future.

I firmly advocate for regional exposure, believing it to be integral to comprehensive paediatric training. In my view, a paediatric fellowship remains incomplete without such invaluable regional experience.

“There are fantastic travels and adventures to be had across this diverse land and a seascape, which is a four-hour drive from town.

“I would strongly recommend Kalgoorlie Health Campus for anyone want to grow their career and have an experience of lifetime.”