



COVID-19: SA Health Recruitment Drive

Medical Practitioner

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply?

We invite all medical practitioners who are not already working in SA Health to register their interest to work in existing or newly set up facilities, to provide and support the care that's required to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic across South Australia. There will be multiple positions available for:

- > Senior Medical Practitioners (particularly, but not limited to, the specialty areas of ICU, Emergency Medicine, Respiratory Medicine, Anaesthesia and General Medicine)
- > General Practitioners
- > Junior Medical Practitioners – Resident Medical Officers, Registrars and Senior Registrars

What type of roles will be available?

The type of roles available will depend on the impact COVID-19 has on the public health system. The online application process will ask you for your work location preferences (from our different [metropolitan health services](#) and [regional health services](#) across South Australia) and for any additional skills/qualifications/relevant experience that you have.

Where will the roles be working?

There will be various opportunities across the different Local Health Networks, including specialty areas. The location of roles will be dependent on demand and the impact COVID19 has on our healthcare services.

Potential locations could include but are not limited to:

- > Any SA Health hospitals and health services (metropolitan and regional)
- > Intensive and Critical Care services

How do I apply?

Applications will only be accepted online.

You can apply via the [COVID-19 SA Health Recruitment Drive](#).

What are the hours of work?

There will be a number of different shifts/hours available along with flexibility in rostering to match availability and service requirements.

I have special skills that I believe will help, how can I let you know?

You will be able to outline any relevant qualifications, experience and or skills, as part of your online application.



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I want to apply for a Postgraduate Year 2+ (PGY2) or Advance Training position for 2021, do I need to apply separately or will this application cover it?

This initiative is a response to an exceptional public health situation. It is aimed at increasing the available medical practitioner workforce. It is not a standard recruitment process nor does it replace the standard recruitment process for Postgraduate Year 2+ (PGY2) or Advance Training.

I am a final year Medical Student, can I assist with the COVID-19 response?

SA Health is presently investigating how final year Medical Students can contribute to the COVID-19 response and will provide further information once an outcome is reached. Please refer to this page for updates.

Will I have to attend an interview?

A short telephone interview may be arranged to make sure we match applicants with appropriate roles. This will be an opportunity for you to let us know your roster requirements and the locations you would be willing to work at.

Will I have to have a Criminal History clearance?

Yes. SA Health must comply with legislation regarding screening of workers for their suitability to work within SA Health.

If you don't have a current clearance, this can be requested through an online, [accredited provider](#). You will not be able to commence a position with SA Health until your clearance has been attained.

As a minimum, SA Health requires an appropriate National Police Clearance (NPC) (for adult health services) or a Department of Human Services (DHS) Working With Children Check (for working with paediatric or adult services).

Will I have to fulfil immunisation requirements?

You will need to provide your immunisation status within your application. Please visit the SA Health website for more information about [Health Care Worker immunisation requirements](#).

I have not heard anything from you yet? Why not?

You will receive an email confirming that we have received your application. Shortlisting will be prioritised dependent on the clinical and service needs at the time. As you can appreciate this is a busy time for the health services so we ask for your continued patience and understanding in this regard.

I want to help but I don't want to work with COVID-19 patients, can I work in a different area?

While this initiative is being undertaken to support the management of COVID-19, there will be a number of roles and locations to support the Local Health Networks and their health services. If you do not want to work in certain locations you can advise us through your online application or during your telephone interview.

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Where can I find out more about COVID-19?

For the latest and most credible COVID-19 information and updates, you can visit the below trusted websites:

- > <http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019>
- > <http://www.health.gov.au/>
- > <http://www.smartraveller.gov.au/>
- > <http://www.healthdirect.gov.au/>

I've got a question that wasn't answered here. Who can I ask?

If you have a question not answered here, please submit your question via email to:

[South Australian Medical Education and Training Unit](mailto:Healthsamet@sa.gov.au)

For more information

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