

Introducing Maddie

Over the last 4 years you have seen our recruitment posts for midwives to come and join us in Yorke and Northern LHN, in rural SA. We have said farewell to a few fantastic midwives that have relocated or gone to pursue other roles but mostly we have been growing our service.

We started with 18 Midwives, and we are up to 28. This is due to the increasing numbers of women and families now knowing that they can have a midwifery relationship, at home with a known midwife. Our community has really embraced our service and we are growing models of care and what we can offer.

One of the great wins we have had is midwives that have moved to work with us, from the city to “give it a go” and have fallen in love with the work, the area (and sometimes with their heart).

Our Midwife Unit Manager Liz Bennett asked one of these midwives, Maddie, to share with us the 5 things that she loves about her MGP life in Y&N

Here is what she had to say:

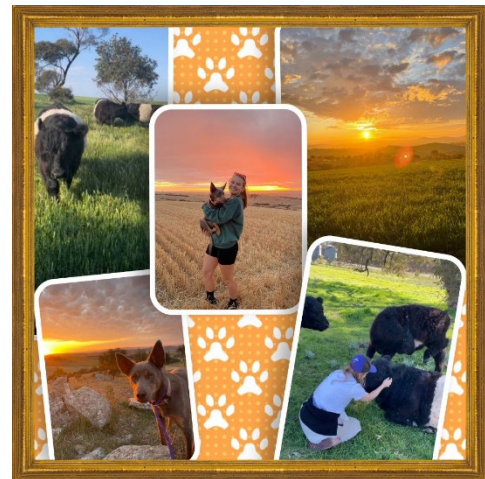
1. The MGP model of care makes me feel as though I'm working properly as a midwife with continuity of care and the full scope of practice.

2. You get to know everyone you work with really well. All the doctors, nurses, and admin. You quickly get to know your midwife colleagues like you are old friends because you work with the same people each day- very different to metro where you would be lucky to see the same person twice in the same week!

3. We drive to people's houses all over the Mid-North to provide care in home visits. These drives are beautiful. I love seeing the different landscapes. It's also a way to connect with women more deeply by being in their home with their families.

4. We care for all risk women. Normal pregnancy and birth is the goal here. The births and postnatal care are so fulfilling after getting to know the women so well. Then you often see them at the hairdresser or the local shops- or you may get a referral for her sister/ friend/ cousin who is pregnant. The continuity never ends!

5. The country lifestyle is incredible. I was in a stage of my life where I was looking for change and now I will never go back to the city. It's so calm in the country as life slows down. I appreciate the small and important things more. I appreciate my job more. I'm lucky enough to live on some land and now have four beautiful pet cows, 2 lambs and a dog! The community in the country is so welcoming and easy to step into.



We are so privileged to be working with such a passionate and dedicated group of midwives just like Maddie, why not come and join us, you won't look back.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to chat or come up for the day for coffee and cake:

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