

**Exciting Job opportunities.....
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Specialist Anaesthetist Royal Darwin Hospital

Royal Darwin Hospital (RDH) Department of Anaesthesia and Perioperative Medicine is seeking enthusiastic Specialist Anaesthetists with FANZCA to join our growing department of 18 FTE Specialist Anaesthetists. There are opportunities for fractional appointments to enable mixed public-private practice, or more time to spend with family, or just to enjoy the myriad of non-work activities available in Darwin.

RDH is a 370 bed hospital in the Top End of the Northern Territory, servicing a population of over 180,000 including parts of the Kimberley of WA. It serves a diverse population including urban, regional and remote centres. The Australian Indigenous population makes up 27% of the NT, but approaching 50% of all hospital inpatients. Multiple co-morbidities increase the challenge of provision of safe anaesthesia in this patient group.

Clinical work covers the full spectrum of procedures including neurosurgical services and will be commencing cardiac surgery in the near future. Currently over 14,000 operations are performed per annum. An additional campus, Palmerston Regional Hospital, opened in 2018 and currently includes day surgical procedures. The Department runs an Acute Pain Service and is currently expanding its role in Perioperative Medicine including pre-operative optimisation as well as involvement in ERAS.

Clinical support includes an 18 bed ICU, Level 3 NICU, Radiotherapy centre on-campus, MRI, CT and soon to be opened PET scanning

Approximately 15% of the caseload is Paediatric and there are approximately 2200 deliveries with a significant proportion of high risk cases. The large caseload of Maxillofacial and Head & Neck Surgical procedures lend themselves to development of Awake FibreOptic intubation skills

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ANZCA trainee registrars rotate from South Australia and Queensland. We currently have 15 staff at registrar or senior registrar/provisional fellow level, in addition to RMOs and some GP Anaesthetists in training to work in regional centres of Gove and Katherine.

We are looking for people to provide clinical services as well as contribute to teaching and quality assurance program and other administrative tasks within the department.

There is optional involvement in Anaesthesia Outreach to regional hospitals in Gove and Katherine and Hyperbaric Medicine. RDH is the National Trauma and Critical Care Response Centre and has been heavily involved in several mass casualty disasters including the Bali

bombings, Ashmore Reef and East Timor Crises as well as international deployment after natural disaster in Philippines, Vanuatu, Fiji and Solomon Islands.

Darwin has a very attractive lifestyle – distances within the city are short and traffic congestion almost non-existent. The relaxed tropical life is great for young families, couples and singles alike! Despite our population of just over 120,000 people our film, theatre, music and arts life is accessible and varied.

Vast arrays of outdoor and camping experiences await you in Kakadu and Litchfield National Parks. Fishing is second to none! Darwin is on the doorstep of Asia with regular flights to Bali, Dili, Singapore, and Manila all less than 4 hours.

The city has excellent public and private schools at both primary and secondary levels and Charles Darwin University offers increasing numbers of courses.

There is a childcare centre on-campus of the hospital as well as several in surrounding area.

Remuneration is competitive. Annual Recreational leave is 6 weeks per annum. Relocation assistance will be provided and short term subsidised hospital accommodation is available on-campus.

Darwin Private Hospital is co-located on the same campus.

110 beds and 7 Operating Theatres

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