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NSW HEALTH NURSING IN RURAL AUSTRALIA

Greater Western Area Health Service (GWAHS) is the largest health service in New South Wales and has 108 facilities, including the major Base Hospitals of Orange, Bathurst, Dubbo and Broken Hill, along with Multi Purpose Services and Community Health Centres.

We offer a diverse range of experiences for registered nurses, from the Intensive Care ward at Orange Base Hospital to the primary health care service manned by a sole Nurse Practitioner at Wanaaring. No matter what you are interested in, we have it!

The Area Health Service is proud of the support it provides to their staff. GWAHS offers Graduate Certificate in Critical Care, Graduate Diploma in Midwifery, Outback Nursing Course, First Line Emergency Care, and many others. They have strong links and partnerships with the Royal Flying Doctor Service, universities including Sydney, Charles Sturt, and Newcastle, and Aboriginal Medical Services.

The facilities offer support through preceptorship, educational scholarships, flexible working conditions, and programs such as the New Graduate program. Nurse educator support is provided through clusters or on a facility basis.

Greater Western Area Health Service covers



GWAHS offers a diverse range of rural experiences for registered nurses

a great geographical area of 444,586 kilometres, which represents about 55% of the landmass of NSW.

Whether you choose to work in a rural or remote community or in one of the region's major towns, you will have no trouble getting to know people in your community and making friends in an environment surrounded by friendly people and wonderful scenery. With attractions such as affordable housing, lower cost of living, a short drive to work, and time for family and friends this area is a great place to live.

GWAHS offer a range of social activities such as sports, wineries, cafes, museums, galleries and

great natural attractions from the Living Desert to World Heritage National Parks. There is also time to pursue great educational, sporting and cultural opportunities.

Your family doesn't miss out either, with excellent educational facilities from pre-school to university, with Charles Sturt University having three campuses located within the boundaries of the Area Health Service.

Please contact your HealthStaff Recruitment consultant today for further information.



Nursing Opportunities at The Alfred in Melbourne

The Alfred has a staff of 3500 and treats more than one quarter of a million patients annually. It provides the most comprehensive range of specialist medical and surgical services in Victoria and accommodates six directorates comprising 42 clinical units, offering every form of medical treatment with the exception of obstetrics and paediatrics.

Today, The Alfred enjoys a reputation as one of the world's leading health care providers - largely attributable to its concentration on specialist "high tech" services, including Cardiovascular Medicine, Burns, Heart-Lung Transplant, Trauma Care, Oncology and Respiratory Medicine.

The Alfred through HealthStaff Recruitment is offering **12-month contracts commencing in May, June, July, August and 3-month contracts (guaranteed**



hours on nurse bank) commencing in September, October, November.

The Alfred is centrally located with easy access to public transport, city and shopping precincts.

Please contact one of our friendly consultants today!

Our support makes all the difference and our FREE service to you includes:

- Assistance with your Registration
- Personalised 24 hour 'Meet & Greet' Service
- Organising Affordable Accommodation
- Assistance with Work Visa

HealthStaff Recruitment will be interviewing in the United Kingdom at the start of April for vacancies all over Australia. Please call a friendly consultant today to reserve your interview time.
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Nursing in Adelaide

Tina Botha's Experience

Why did you choose to move to Adelaide?

Adelaide is a city with a small town 'feel'. Lots of trees and green. Hills and sea and beaches. All those things I love.

What was the biggest challenge you faced during the preparation stages of organising the move?

Finding a house to live in! Estate agents are not very helpful people!

What was the easiest part of the process?

Phoning Sophie at HSR and saying I wanted her to find me a job! I had full confidence in her!

What is the best piece of advice you could offer to others?

Moving is an expensive and final process - be sure you know what you are doing and where you are going is the right thing for you!

What was the best tool that you used during the preparation stages?

HSR and email.

What was the thing that surprised you most about Adelaide?

So green and pretty in South Australia whereas I'd been led to believe it was desert country almost!

What was the biggest hurdle you crossed when you arrived to Adelaide?

Unpacking and settling down in the city, and finding my way around at work.

How did HSR assist you?

With all things, finding a job, information on Adelaide and S.A., and support right through and even now.

What was the best thing HSR did for you?

The best thing Sophie did for me was suggesting Adelaide as I'd not even thought of looking here.

How did you find the hospital orientation?

The initial orientation was done by staff on the ward. I haven't been to the official orientation, which happens next month, but I think it's just a formality, I think I know the most important things and you learn as you go along.

How do you find the position?

Though the patients are the same everywhere, the machinery, routines and layout is all very different, so something to get used to.

What do you most like about the hospital?

The ward where I'm working does orthopaedics and surgery and as I haven't done any surgery for 3 years it is all something new and interesting to do. The hospital itself is smart and the entrance is like a five star hotel!

Would you recommend the city / hospital to others? Why?

Yes, Adelaide is just lovely and the people so friendly. The hospital has something for everyone and though it isn't the most modern they do interesting surgery there.

What is your favourite thing about the location?

My most favourite thing about Adelaide is the choice of either hills or driving for hours or the sea and beautiful beaches, not to mention the parks and green trees everywhere.

Have you travelled around the area? Where? Is it worth visiting? What was the best accommodation that you stayed in? What was the best tourist attraction? How did you get there?

Haven't really travelled out of Adelaide except into the hills. Luckily I have my own car but the trains and buses and trams are very good here.

I stayed in the Morphettville Motel on Anzac Highway for 70 dollars a night. Clean rooms and breakfast all you can eat for 5 dollars. There are lots of motels everywhere and backpacker's lodges in the city. I think Glenelg Beach is the place to be! Lots of shops and restaurants and beach, a real cosmopolitan atmosphere, but the city has some very nice shopping areas too and cafes on the pavement, so to speak.

Why have you stuck with HSR?

HSR assisted in getting me a job at Royal Melbourne Hospital 3 years ago when I came to Australia and so the logical thing was to go back to them, as they knew me.

What is the best thing about HSR?

HSR have all the information at their fingertips and if not can contact people who do! Are friendly when you phone in and always helpful and supportive.

Thank you so much for all the help and I hope that if ever I move again they will be there to support me and find me another job!

Sophie



Sydney Summer Drinks

2006

HealthStaff Recruitment joined nurses in Sydney for a few drinks on a hot summer's day down at Coogee beach.

There were lots of laughs and discussions of nurses' experiences in Sydney so far. Thanks all for coming it was great to see you. We hope to see you at our next drinks!

Sophie





THE AUSTRALIAN NURSING AWARDS

presented by HealthStaff RECRUITMENT

The Australian Nursing Awards 2006

The Australian Nursing Awards were initiated and launched by HealthStaff Recruitment in 2002 to provide a vehicle for the national recognition of outstanding nurses and encourage skills advancement in the nursing profession. In that inaugural year, two finalists and one winner were awarded professional scholarships to fund further study in a specialty of their choice. This year the Awards Ceremony will take place at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital on 8 May 2006. The three Award categories are:

The National Care Awards seek to recognise and reward excellence in nursing practice and nominations for these awards may be made by patients, the families and friends of patients and colleagues of nominees who wish to acknowledge the provision of care they considered to be exceptional.

The sanofi - aventis Student Achievement Awards recognise highly commended performances by three final year nursing students nominated by their university and provide encouragement for nursing students to continue their commitment to their nursing career.

HESTA Professional Development Scholarships awards three outstanding nurses scholarships to fund further education or training in a specialty of their choice. Nominations must be made by a senior staff member supporting their application to further studies in their chosen field.

The Australian Nursing Awards, in addition to celebrating individual nursing distinction, raises national awareness of the important place of the nursing profession in the community and we invite you all to join the celebration. Nominations are now open and HealthStaff Recruitment wishes all nominees for the 2006 Australian Nursing Awards the very best of luck.

John de Haard
Managing Director

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Newsflash!

New Pharmacy Division

HealthStaff Recruitment is excited to announce it has launched a pharmacy division. If you are an experienced hospital or retail pharmacist and are interested in employment in Australia then we can assist you. There are excellent employment opportunities across Australia, with employers offering excellent salary packages and employment conditions. To be eligible to work as a pharmacist in Australia you should be available to work for 12 months and we recommend you have at least 12 months experience in hospital or retail pharmacy. You must also be eligible to register as a pharmacist with one of the Australian state / territory registration boards. Each Australian state has their own registration board and you must register as a pharmacist with the board that governs the state or territory you wish to work in. If you trained as a pharmacist in the UK, New Zealand and Ireland then your qualifications are usually automatically recognised by the Australian registration boards. If you trained in Canada or the USA, you presently need to have your qualifications assessed by the Australian Pharmacy Examining Council. To find out more about our vacancies, registration, salaries and visas, please contact your friendly HealthStaff recruitment consultant.

Melbourne comes alive!

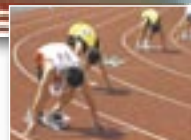
Melbourne was alive with plenty of sporting activities during March and April. Melbourne hosted the **Commonwealth Games** from 15th - 26th March. The opening and closing ceremonies were spectacular, and during the games the city held a free arts and culture festival. There were world class athletes and tourists from around the globe enjoying all that Melbourne has to offer.

Melbourne also held the **Formula 1 Grand Prix** from 30th March - 2nd April. Racing took place at Melbourne's beautiful Albert Park. The carnival was

all about speed, fashion, glamour, and excitement! The world's best drivers, fastest cars, and thousands of tourists packed Melbourne and the city really came alive!

Melbourne has many attractions, whether it is the world class sporting events, the great café and restaurant culture, or the many parks and outdoor activities. Melbourne really does have something for everyone.

If you like the sound of Melbourne, contact us now to find out about job opportunities.



Greetings from Laverton, Western Australia.

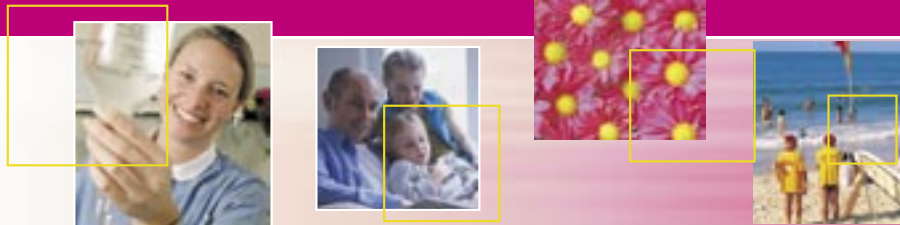


After a year of searching and the incredible patience of my placement specialist, Joey Cooney, I found the job I was looking for. It was only a month ago that I boarded a plane in America and headed 'down under'. I could tell from the start that this new adventure of mine would not only be professionally challenging but a great learning experience. So far, it has been everything I was hoping for and more. Meeting Ruby and giving her a bottle was an unexpected surprise and has been a real highlight for me. All I could think about was my four year old niece back in America. When anyone asks her where her Auntie Ronda is living, she replies "She's living with the kangaroos!"

Ruby was taken in by one of Laverton Hospital's nurses after being chucked from her mother's pouch while chased by a dog. At the time she was hairless and no bigger than a handful. Chris, Ruby's surrogate mother, bottle fed her every two hours and carried her everywhere in a homemade pouch. She is now 8-9 months old, is very affectionate and quite spoiled! Ruby will never be able to fend for herself and survive in the wild. At some point we will have to find an animal refuge that will take her in. Full grown she will fill a doorway!

Ronda Hotz

RN, Laverton Hospital, Western Australia



HOT JOBS in Australia

Call your consultant or visit our website today www.healthstaffrecruitment.com.au to find out more about our employment opportunities.

All of our vacancies are generally hospital based in an acute ward setting. In order to be eligible it is a requirement that you have at least 12 months current hospital based registered nursing experience.

Here is a sample of just some of our current employment opportunities!

Melbourne

Home to the Commonwealth Games and Grand Prix. Melbourne is a multicultural city with a more seasonal climate. Often described as a more European style city with its Victorian style buildings, parks, gardens and leafy boulevards. Enjoy a lifestyle of food, sports and art.

12 month + contracts at one of Melbourne's leading teaching and trauma hospital.

AUS\$1,000 relocation assistance available.

Vacancies in:

- Acute Medical
- Acute Surgical
- Oncology
- Neurology
- Operating Room (Theatre)
- Intensive Care Unit

Positions must commence on set start dates in May, June, July and August 2006

Working holiday in Melbourne

3 month contracts on nurses' bank commencing September, October & November.

12 month contracts in Melbourne suburbs

- Maternity
- Mental health
- Emergency
- ICU

Brisbane

The holiday and sunshine state of Australia. Brisbane rarely drops below 20 degrees Celsius. Offering every pastime and water sport imaginable this is definitely the place to go if you are an active person who enjoys an outdoor lifestyle.

- Oncology Ward
- Internal Medical
- Cardiac Surgery
- Cardiac Cath Lab
- Mental Health
- Operating Theatre
- General Surgical
- Geriatric Rehabilitation
- Oncology Day Care / Outpatients
- Neurosurgical / Neuroscience
- Neo-natal Intensive Care
- Radiation Oncology
- Renal Ward
- Coronary Care Unit
- Emergency Department
- Orthopaedic
- Intensive Care
- Infectious Diseases
- Spinal Injuries Unit



Sydney & New South Wales

Australia's most popular state. Sydney is built around one of the most famous harbours in the world. A busy, vibrant city offering great shopping, food and entertainment.

We have ongoing vacancies for registered nurses & midwives in a wide range of clinical specialities across all public hospitals in Sydney and the state of New South Wales.

Try a sea change working on the NSW central or north coast.

Vacancies in:

- Midwifery
- Surgical
- Haemodialysis
- Emergency
- Operating Theatre
- Coronary Care
- Orthopaedics
- ICU
- Palliative Care
- Renal
- Mental health
- Medical
- Oncology
- Neuro-medical
- Aged Care
- Cardiology
- Respiratory Medicine
- Generalist
- NICU
- Rehabilitation
- Spinal Injuries
- Drugs and Alcohol

Regional, rural and outback New South Wales

Work in the heart of Australia. On-site accommodation available at most sites.

Registered Nurses: Collarenebri, Condobolin, Coolah, Coonamble, Molong, Orange, Lightning Ridge & Broken Hill

Midwives: Bourke, Coonabarabran, Dubbo & Forbes

Regional Western Australia

Australia's largest gold mining town, Kalgoorlie, is growing in popularity each year. On-site accommodation and relocation assistance often available.

- High Dependency Unit
- Paediatrics
- Midwives

Pharmacist

- Senior Clinical Specialist / Pharmacist (Grade 4 or E/F equivalent)
- Senior Clinician, Aged Care
- Senior Clinician, Oncology

Must have relevant post-graduate qualifications, preferably Masters Degree level or recognised specialisation qualifications. The responsibilities will include the provision of clinical pharmacy service in the relevant area of expertise and the coordination of clinical pharmacy services in Aged Care or Oncology.



Work in Vancouver, Canada

Vancouver is the third largest city in Canada and the largest city in the province of British Columbia. Vancouver is surrounded by water on three sides and is nestled alongside the Coast Mountain Range. Vancouver is home to spectacular natural scenery and has one of the mildest climates in Canada. Vancouver is consistently rated one of the most liveable cities in the world. Three hours from Whistler and also home to many other sights.

\$5000 CDN relocation assistance.

12 month minimum contracts available in:

- General ICU
- Cardiac ICU
- Operating Room (must have General, Gynaecology, Vascular, Urology and Orthopaedic theatre experience)
- Emergency Dept
- Coronary Care
- Haemodialysis

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