

Further Information

What is general practice?

General Practice is the provision of primary continuing comprehensive whole-patient medical care for individuals, families and their communities.

What is a general practitioner?

A general practitioner (GP) is a specialist medical practitioner who is qualified and competent for general practice in Australia. General practitioners possess the skills and knowledge to provide whole person, comprehensive, coordinated and continuing care, drawing on biomedical, physiological, social and environmental understandings of health.

More about SA IMET

SA IMET is an Advisory Council reporting to the Minister and advising Department of Health and the Medical Board of SA on junior doctor education and training.

Its mission is to provide leadership in pre-vocational education and training in South Australia.

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For general information about the Prevocational General Practice Placement Program (PGPPP) go to the General Practice Education & Training (GPET) website:
www.agpt.com.au



Experience

- General Practice at
- SA PRISON HEALTH SERVICE



Yatala Labour Prison



PGPPP Objectives & Aims

The program objective is to provide professional, well supervised and educational general practice placements for junior doctors as part of their training.

The aims are three-fold:

- build junior doctor confidence, exposure and interest in working in rural, regional and metropolitan areas through supervised and general practice placements of carrying duration approx 10-12 weeks
- increase understanding of the integration between primary and secondary health care by junior doctors
- provide an experience that will encourage junior doctors to take up general practice as a career.

Eligibility to apply to the program

The target group for this initiative is junior doctors undertaking hospital training but not yet enrolled in a specialty. Recently added to this group are interns and international medical graduates who are now also able to participate in this beneficial program.

Community Placement

The SA Prison Health Service (SAPHS) provides medical and nursing care across the State's 8 publicly operated prisons.

The placement provides an opportunity to develop skills in the provision of health services to an under-served client group in a difficult environment.

SAPHS services include the management of inpatients; medical assessments of newly admitted prisoners and assessment of clients for opioid substitution treatment



Yatala Labour Prison

The placement offers:

- Experience and training in various aspects of prisoner health
- General Practice type consulting sessions
- Time with visiting consultants or with paramedical therapists
- Opportunity to work at the various branches
- Opportunity for minor surgery including a lumps & bumps clinic.

Support Provided

JMOs at SAPHS can expect an excellent support network and an array of resources including:

- Supervision and support from experienced doctors, nurses and other health professionals
- An education program based on the needs of individuals
- Unique flexibility to meet special interests or requirements of JMOs
- Placement Orientation
- Visit by the PGPPP Manager from SA IMET during the post.



Adelaide Remand Centre

The placement is spread across the 3 metropolitan prisons in Adelaide:

- Adelaide Reman Centre, Currie St, Adelaide
- Yatala Labour Prison, Northfield
- Adelaide Women's Prison, Northfield