

Townsville Hospital

Hi I'm Carl

Hello to Career and Lifestyle watchers and welcome to the forecast for Townsville and surrounding regions. Today's picture comes from the Townsville Hospital's very active RMO Society, it shows some of the great extra curricular activities that the junior doctors participate in when they are not hard at work. Well onto the report.

The forecast for today, next week and next year is a very settled pattern. Moving to the satellite picture you can see rising numbers in Townsville and the other local centers of Cairns and Mackay. Relative percentage of youth and indigenous patients are high and make for interesting conditions. The average age for patients in Townsville is a steady 32. The synoptic chart clearly shows a high pressure system lying over the south, resulting in minimal parking, maximal traffic delays and violent storms. However, in the north a persistent low pressure system guarantees calm conditions on the roads and in the car parks. Another benefit of this low pressure system is an explosion of local fauna, with the yuppies tending to be nocturnal in their activities to take advantage of the vibrant Townsville night life and there is evidence of exotic species migrating north to spots normally occupied by local species.

Onto the radar picture now. If we take a look at this area, we can see the tropical monsoon trough of a northern clinical training network about to merge with three other features. These three features are cool troughs coming in from the hospital, the James Cook University and the Post Graduate Medical Education Unit. These will combine to produce a persistent deluge of research, academic titles and teaching support expected to last into the foreseeable future. Predictions are for the record breaking vertical integration and seamless transition of education. The other main feature is a sweeping system of intern education in the emergency department. In the last three months, it has intensified into a category 5 and is now called Molly. We are crossed live to the very person this storm was named after, she is there, on the ground, caught in the middle of it all, Molly can you fill us in on what's happening there?

Molly (the doll)

Thanks Carl, I am here in the middle of Molly and as you can see behind me it's going off in here. Every intern from the ED is here each Friday, teaching staff's in the morning and it goes all day, we expect several topics to cross our path including chest pain, pb bleeding and the fibril child and as you can see behind me everyone is really excited to be part of it.

Good lord, a first here for Molly! But with this degree of excitement about a full day everyday of teaching, I am not surprised it has whipped up interest in other areas of the state.

Back to you in the studio Carl!

Carl

Thanks for that Molly, and now to current details. Townsville has a full range of specialty career paths; most can be completed without having to import a removalist. In the physician area we can see that Townsville has a record pass rate for physician training, this not expected to change anytime soon. For the surgeons, a strong training system moved in several years ago and shows no signs of shifting. It has produced an incredible output of local talent and it may have a fascinating cause. Experts suspect that the reason behind this strong system may lie in the number of interns mingling with consultants here which has resulted in the formation of strong bonds that assist with career enhancement. This reaction does not seem to be associated with weaker systems elsewhere. Current intern conditions include at least 60 intern places, and to the forecast, the career forecast for the months ahead include some very original intern patterns that we haven't seen before. I mean we will see a drizzle of radiology, sexual health, indigenous health, hematology and even a little private hospital surgery. The lifestyle forecast includes walks through rainforests and trips out the Great Barrier Reef. Sunrise is expected for 6am with a walk along our beautiful Townsville strand or even up our local Castle Hill and sunset is at 5pm and the riverside tavern for RMO drinks.

Lastly the fishing report, if you are on the hunt for the big one, use your best resume lures for bate, and drop your lines in the water for Townsville. You're guaranteed to catch the career of a lifetime in the company of good mates.

Hope to see you all soon.