

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Kingaroy Hospital welcomes new Senior Medical Officer

One of Kingaroy Hospital's newest staff members, Doctor Rebecca Devereaux, is enjoying putting all of her skills to good use in the busy South Burnett facility.

Dr Devereaux joined the hospital's medical roster one month ago as a senior medical officer and has specialised skills in anaesthetics and obstetrics.

Working under the direction of the hospital's medical superintendent Dr Raymond "RT" Lewandowski, Dr Devereaux's days are rarely the same and her time is spent across the hospital's ward, emergency department and maternity unit.

"I definitely enjoy the variation in my work," Dr Devereaux.

"I'm using all of my skills, which is great, and part of the reason why I wanted to come to Kingaroy."

Dr Devereaux grew up in Brisbane and completed her medical training in North Queensland. She has spent time in the Northern Territory working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and most recently in Emerald.

"Delivering babies in small towns, which are often the mother's home town, is quite lovely to be a part of," she said.

Securing a full-time position at the Kingaroy Hospital is becoming increasingly competitive, with the hospital's reputation growing around the state.

"The hospital was promoted through the Rural Doctors Association of Queensland," Dr Devereaux said.

"It sounded like a fun, challenging and enjoyable place to work. Also the learning opportunities the hospital offers are phenomenal.

"The skill base of the doctors here is second-to-none."

The Kingaroy Hospital employs a team of 15 doctors, as well as a further five doctors who regularly visit the South Burnett to provide specialist services.

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