Location information

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THHS spans 148,000 square kilometres with a population of 240,000.

Catchment area spans 750,000 square kilometres with a population of upwards.
Hospital facilities

- Modern tertiary referral hospital with 779 beds, catering for a broad variety of presentations with a full range of specialty services and of outpatient services. Townsville HHS is still growing, with major development activities partially completed and ongoing to 2021.
- One of only 2 Hyperbaric Medicine units in Queensland and the busiest.
- Adjacent to James Cook University and Australia’s largest Army barracks.
- Transfers & emergency retrievals by helicopter and fixed wing.
- Disaster and tropical disease medicine
- Fantastic research opportunities.
- Telehealth to rural and remote facilities.
- Modern doctors lounge with full facilities, including quiet rest space, computer & Internet access, kitchenette, showers and comfortable seating.
- Free onsite car parking
- Bus stop and Taxi/Uber pick up directly outside of Hospital
- Food court

Clinical service profile

Townsville HHS is organized into five service groups. The Mental Health Service Group offers a full range of inpatient and out patient services including adult, child and adolescent, forensic, and rehabilitation units and addiction psychiatry services. The Health and Wellbeing Service Group includes paediatrics, neonatal, obstetrics and gynaecology and offender health services. The Surgical Service group has a wide range of surgical specialities including cardiothoracic surgery and neurosurgery and both adult and paediatric Intensive Care Units and Coronary Care Unit. The Medical Service group includes a range of medical specialities including cancer care, hyperbaric services, physical rehabilitation and palliative care. The Rural Service groups includes hospitals at Ayr, Charters Towers, Ingham, Home Hill, Hughenden, Richmond and Palm Island. It also covers the primary care facilities at Magnetic Island and the 2 residential aged care facilities.
RMO education and training opportunities

Educational centres / medical education units
Libraries
Grand rounds
Internet access
Common rooms
Simulation centres
Clinical support

Employment conditions

- Award conditions apply – Medical Officers (Queensland Health) Award – State 2015 in conjunction with Medical Officer (Queensland Health) Certified Agreement (No.4) 2015.

Facility-specific recruitment requirements

Dedicated medical recruitment team to guide you through the recruitment process.
Pre-employment checks must be completed prior to an offer being made.

- CV – no older than 12 months
- References – 1 within 12 months, the other of last place of employment.
- JP Certified identification and qualification checks
- Criminal history checks
- Current registration with the Medical Board of Australia or the ability to obtain appropriate registration.
- Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPD) – documentary evidence is required against the following:
  - Hep B – evidence of immunity, titre level >10.
  - Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
  - Varicella (Chicken Pox)
  - Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
- Visa status – working rights in Australia
Available positions

These numbers are subject to change, and applicants should always discuss employment opportunities with your preferred hospitals before submitting your application.

Senior Medical staff & Fellows

- 1 Executive Director Medical Services
- 2 Deputy Executive Director Medical Services
- 30 Directors
- 2 Deputy Directors
- 12 Clinical Directors
- 4 Medical Superintendents – Rural facilities
- 2 Medical Superintendents (with Right Private Practice) – Rural facilities
- 195 Staff Specialists
- .5 Clinical Dean
- 31 Senior Medical Officers
- 126 Visiting Medical Officers

Registrars

Registrars positions are available in: anaesthetics (21), basic physician training (20), cardiology (2), cardiothoracic (1), clinical haematology (1), clinical haematology LAB (1), Infectious Disease (1), ED (25), ENT (1), gastroenterology (1), general surgery (5), hyperbaric medicine (1), ICU (11), medical administration (1), medical education (.5), medical oncology (4), radiation oncology (5), microbiology (2), MoLIE (1), neonatology (5), neurosurgery (1), O&G (7), oral and maxillofacial (1), ophthalmology (2), orthopaedics (2), paediatrics (7), pain medicine (3), palliative medicine (1.5), PICU (6), psychiatry (18), radiology (6), rehabilitation (2), vascular surgery (3), dermatology (1), and urology (1).

Advanced Training positions are available in: cardiology, general medicine, endocrinology, infectious diseases, neonatology, geriatric, ophthalmology, paediatrics, gastroenterology, renal, rheumatology & neurology.

Note: Advanced training opportunities may also be available in some other specialties. Candidates should indicate in their on-line application if they are interested in advanced training opportunities.

Principal House officers

Positions are available in: cardiothoracic (4), ENT (2), general medicine (incl Internal) (3), general surgery (11), geriatrics (1), neurosurgery (3), ICU (1), O&G (4), paediatrics (4) ophthalmology (2), oral and maxillofacial (1), orthopaedics (6), radiology (1), rehabilitation (1), urology (1), vascular surgery (1), emergency medicine (3) pain medicine (1), and psychiatry (4).

Junior and Senior House officers

Townsville HHS offers 71 Intern positions and the intern year comprises of 5 terms which includes 3 core rotations (ED, general medicine and surgery), one long and one short elective. Available electives include: acute mental health unit and ATODS, anaesthetics, cardiology, community
paediatrics, endocrinology, gastroenterology, geriatrics, haematology/BMT, infectious diseases, medical oncology, neurology, neurosurgery, O&G, orthopaedics, paediatrics, palliative care, radiology, acute rehabilitation, sub-acute rehabilitation, renal, rheumatology, sexual health, country practice at Ingham, Palm Island and Charters Towers and general practice at Ingham.

There are approximately 114 positions for junior and senior house officers. Rotations are offered and grouped to suit different career pathways and designed in consultation with the directors of training for each specialty college e.g. physician training, surgical training, basic DipObs, paediatrics, anaesthetics etc. Rotations are available in: anaesthetics, cardiology, cardiothoracic surgery, colorectal surgery, ENT, ED, endocrinology, gastroenterology, general surgery, general surgery post take, urology, geriatrics, haematology/BMT, internal relieving, maxillofacial, medical oncology, neurosurgery, O&G, orthopaedics, paediatrics, paediatric surgery, palliative care, plastic surgery, psychiatry, Queensland country junior doctors, radiation oncology, rehabilitation, renal, respiratory, rheumatology, respiratory, acute rehabilitation, sub-acute rehabilitation, neurology, infectious diseases, and vascular surgery.

Townsville also participates in the QLD Country jDocs program for term allocations into rural facilities across northern Queensland. Placements are open to all candidates with AHPRA General Registration and will receive higher duties PHO salary, living away from home allowance $265 per week (for eligible placements) and associated travel costs. In addition, RMO’s will undertake a fully paid 2-day preparatory workshop in Brisbane and access RPL via specifically designed online modules developed by the Australian College of Rural Remote Medicine. This is a unique hands-on opportunity for those seeking to challenge their clinical competencies and practice at the top of their medical licence. Ask about a QLD County jDocs term today!

Community and lifestyle

Townsville offers a fantastic lifestyle with:

- Dining and Eating out
- Full range of sporting activities e.g. Multi-Sport, Mountain Biking, and Outrigging etc.
- Snorkelling and diving
- Boating and Fishing
- Rain forests nearby
- Townsville Strand, beautiful beaches, Magnetic Island
- Vibrant social life
- National sporting and cultural events e.g. V8s, NBL, NRL, Music Festivals

Providing a laid back tropical lifestyle that is complemented by capital city comforts, no other Australian city boasts the resilience, diversity, lifestyle and economic potential that the Townsville North Queensland Region enjoys.
Known as the Second Capital of Queensland and with a population of approximately 190,000 people, Townsville offers a dynamic lifestyle coupled with strong economic prosperity. Townsville is a thriving precinct with access to a variety of world class education facilities, leading edge health care, affordable housing, unique retailing, spectacular events and entertainment, dining precincts and a wide range of outdoor recreation options. With over 300 days of sunshine each year, Townsville’s lifestyle is second to none.