

HEALTH FOR AFRICA, POWERED BY PEOPLE.

Africa Health Placements is an organisation with a mission: to support and enhance healthcare systems in Africa, by finding, placing and retaining the right people for the job.

Africa's greatest obstacle in public (and particularly rural) healthcare is a lack of qualified professionals. Our aim is to fill the gaps by finding and placing health professionals that are interested in a varied, challenging and meaningful working experience with many lifestyle benefits.

If this is something that appeals to you, we are here to help.

Our service – which is delivered free of charge – ranges from finding the most suitable position and location (based on your skills and preferences), to managing the completion of all regulatory requirements, to ensuring that you settle in comfortably. We have a competent team of professional recruiters to assist you with your registrations, work permits, placement and orientation at a choice of facilities throughout underserved areas of South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland.

“AHP provided a brilliant support system for me and they were very accommodating and efficient in terms of helping me with anything I needed. I would recommend their services to any doctors looking to work here.”

- Dr Joost Van der Hart (Netherlands)

THE EXPERIENCE:

Working in a rural hospital is deeply rewarding and can be a life changing experience. The environment can deliver some real challenges but also allows you to make a real difference in an area of need.

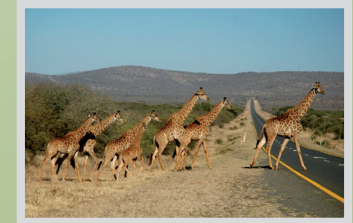
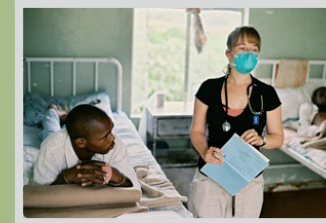
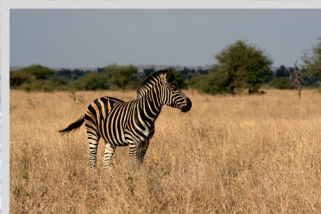
“I’m a lot less fazed by things now. Back in the day, one exciting thing would happen every six months in an Australian hospital, so it was much easier to panic when something bad did go wrong. ...Maybe I’ve just got a better perspective of emergencies now.”

-Dr Daniel Claugton (Australia)

Aside from receiving a comfortable salary while working in Southern Africa - made even more attractive by rural allowances - the occasional carefully grown cabbage or live chicken given to you by a grateful patient is more valuable than money in the bank.

WORK-LIFE BALANCE

Despite all of the hard work, doctors who have come to southern Africa have found the lifestyle to be highly fulfilling, with an enjoyable social life and infinite opportunities to be active. Take in breathtaking surroundings, or immerse yourself in the cultural diversity of the region. Many of our hospitals are situated close to game parks, beaches and mountains.



OPPORTUNITIES

We need health professionals to work in rural health facilities in southern Africa for one to three years. We are actively recruiting for hospitals in South Africa, Swaziland and Lesotho.

Work experience in our rural hospitals typically involves a broad-based clinical practice, focusing on maternal and child health, infectious diseases and emergency care. While the environment is supportive, you will often be required to work independently, dealing with challenges ranging from snake bites to malaria; all in a day's work.

“I’ve had a magic time. It’s a fabulous place to work and I would highly recommend it to anyone. There’s so much to see and do both inside and outside of work that the experience is well worth the risk. I came for the experience, and the experience has been incredible.”

- Dr Rob Melvin (UK)

There are also opportunities to work in regional referral hospitals. Surgery, Orthopaedics, Obs & Gynae, Anaesthetics, Paediatrics, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases and Family Medicine posts are readily available in urban and peri-urban environments.



Have you ever wondered what it would be like to really stretch your skills as a doctor?



Have you ever wondered what it would be like to get truly hands on experience, working with everything from trauma to TB to caesarian sections, all in a day's work? To work with patients that are happy and grateful to see you and to make a difference in people's lives? Or to be autonomous and have room to innovate, seeing your ideas come to life, and helping to transform a hospital?

And what if, on top of all this, you could live in breathtaking surroundings, with the opportunity to explore and enjoy the natural world, EVERY DAY?

WELCOME TO LIFE AS A DOCTOR IN AFRICA.

"As one person you can make a considerable impact here. Whereas in Britain I think you just get caught up in this massively well developed machine. The opportunity to teach the people you work with and help in improving service delivery is fantastic"
- Dr Ed Moran (UK)

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