

## **VR GP required for South side of Cairns Queensland - Mid 2009**

Edmonton and Mt Sheridan constitute Cairns' southern corridor. It is the growth area of Cairns characterised by young families and expected to reach a population size of 65 000 by 2025. (Cairns present population 130000 with 30000 tourists at any one time). The practice sees few tourists and is the classic suburban General Practice though we see a lot more children than the Medicare average. The new Base Hospital is planned for the South of Cairns.

The Practice is currently building a new precinct with pathology and pharmacy attached. There are 8 consulting rooms with the ability to add 4 more easily. We hope it is ready by mid 2009 and the post will be available once we are in. There is plenty of room for expansion on the site we would foresee Medical Imaging and allied health on site in due course.



We currently have 6 GPs most working part time. We all generally hold outside interests. The practice sees teaching and training as core business with heavy involvement with The Medical School at James Cook University, training basic and advanced registrars. We hold regular small group meetings and clinical meetings with the nursing staff.

Clinical software is Medical Director 3 with Pracsoft. Messaging is done by a networked Outlook calendar and e mail. We attach high priority to having a stable fast computer system.

We have always used our nurses to help with clinical work - 4 part time nurses, one is a diabetes educator, she coordinates diabetic care and can start patients on insulin and stabilise them. Another runs a well women clinic and is certified to perform pap smears. All immunisations are undertaken by the nurses as well as usual nursing duties. The nurses run the recall system for pathology and other clinical recalls and answer virtually all clinical phone calls from patients – GPs are rarely interrupted by phone calls.

The nursing staff with administrative assistance co-ordinate EPC management plans and team care arrangements to produce a useful clinical document that is directed by the GP.

Current remuneration is 65% of fees which includes superannuation. We have negotiated lower percentages for some items such as EPC where there is a high degree of input from the practice.

If you have any further questions or would like to speak to us please call 07 4036 4333 (international +61 7 4036 4333) and speak to Shaye Moller our Practice Manager or Dr Steven Rudolphy Principal or Dr Jason Delaney Principal. After hours one of the Drs is available on 0411257499.