Living and Working in the Wheatbelt

The Wheatbelt region covers four health districts: Coastal, Western, Southern and Eastern. There is a network of public and private health providers servicing the Wheatbelt, who deliver a range of health services across the region including emergency response, primary health, mental health, population health and other ambulatory care services, residential and community aged care and inpatient acute services. Aboriginal Health Services are integrated into existing public and private health services throughout the region.

The region houses a number of natural attractions, the most famous being Wave Rock, near Hyden and the Pinnacles, unique limestone features on the coast at Cervantes. The area is known for wildflowers in springtime as well as golden fields of canola stretching as far as the eye can see.

Northam Hospital and Narrogin Hospital

Northam Hospital is the largest of four Integrated District Hospital Services in the Wheatbelt region. Located approximately 100 km from Perth, the total population in the Northam Hospital catchment is approximately 44,000 people. Northam Hospital has a 24-hour Emergency Department, acute medical services, surgical services, cancer care, Palliative care and a number of sub-acute/post-acute services.

Narrogin Hospital services a catchment area of approximately 20,000 people. The hospital provides an acute service consisting of a 24-hour Emergency Department, a nine bed day surgery unit and a 36 bed combined inpatient ward with eight dedicated sub-acute beds. There are two birthing suites.

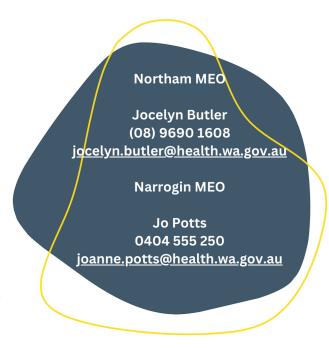
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	Emergency Medicine	Community Residency Program	
1	Current at time of publishing - subject to change.		

Wheatbelt Medical Education and Support

The Medical Education program in the Wheatbelt is developed and led by the respective Director of Clinical Training (DCT) and coordinated by the Medical Education Officer (MEO). You can expect comprehensive education and training including; clinical supervision, regular education sessions, orientation and assessment support and simulation training.

Supporting your move to the Wheatbelt

The Wheatbelt Medical Education Officers (MEO) are there to support your transition from city to country. Make early contact to confirm start dates and times, receive orientation information and discuss options and support for accommodation.



Applying to WA Country Health Service (WACHS)

Intern Rotations in the Wheatbelt

Applicants can express interest for rural rotations via MedJobsWA at https://medjobswa.mercury.com.au through the Centralised Intern Recruitment Process. Intern rotations to Northam Hospital are available from Fiona Stanley Hospital. Intern rotations to Narrogin Hospital are available from Joondalup Health Campus. Note: Allocation to rural terms is determined by the employing hospital's term allocation process.

Resident Medical Officer Positions (RMO) in the Wheatbelt

RMO rotations to Northam Hospital are available from Fiona Stanley Hospital and St John of God Midland Hospital. RMO rotations to Narrogin Hospital are available from Joondalup Health Campus. Additional RMO rotations are available via the Rural Community Residency Program (CRP). Please refer to https://www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au/Our-workforce/Work-with-us/Medical-workforce/Junior-doctors/WACHS-placement-opportunities for information about this program.

Employed by:	Intern Rotations	RMO Rotations
Fiona Stanley Hospital	Northam - Emergency Medicine, General Medicine	Northam - Emergency Medicine, General Medicine
St John of God - Midland		Northam - General Medicine
Joondalup Health Campus	Narrogin - Emergency Medicine	

How to Apply

Applications for Intern and RMO positions must be submitted via MedJobsWA through the Centralised Recruitment Process. In your application, clearly state your interest and suitability for a rural position. Selection and appointment will be based on merit.

Contact WACHS Medical Education Unit:





WACHS Medical Vacancies:

Scan the code or use the link https://www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au/
/Our-workforce/Work-with-us/Medical-workforce/Medical-vacancies

