

ABOUT

Alice Springs

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RVTS TARGETED RECRUITMENT PILOT

The Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS) assists the recruitment of doctors to targeted rural and remote communities with high medical workforce need, by including the RVTS GP Vocational Training program as a component of the doctor recruitment package. Since 2018, RVTS has successfully assisted the recruitment of 43 doctors to 46 rural and remote locations across Australia, including 10 Aboriginal Medical Services.

RVTS Training is a four-year GP and Rural Generalist training program delivered by Distance Education and Remote Supervision leading to Fellowship of the ACRRM and/or RACGP. RVTS Training is fully funded by the Australian Government.

The Targeted Recruitment model has brought workforce stability and enhanced continuity of care to the participating communities, as well as career progression to specialist qualifications for the recruited doctors. The RVTS Targeted Recruitment strategy is an Australian Government Initiative.



Location



Alice Springs is the regional hub serving the heart of Australia's Red Centre. Alice Springs Airport offers flights to all Australian Capital cities with regional airline serving some local communities.



Attractions



Alice Springs sits in deeply cultural environment with close connections to traditional languages & practices. Alice Springs' desert lifestyle has inspired several unique events, such as the Alice Springs Camel Cup, the Henley-on-Todd regatta, the Bangtail muster, Beanie Festival and the Finkel Desert Race.



Housing



Rental prices are \$500pw for a 2-bedroom unit and \$800-1000 for a 4 bedroom house.

The median house purchase price is \$600,000



Education



There are multiple public and private primary and secondary colleges in Alice Springs.

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Central Australian Aboriginal Congress



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Alice Springs is also known locally as Mparntwe, translated as 'watering place', to its the original inhabitants the Arrernte who have lived in the Central Australian desert around Alice Springs for tens of thousands of years. Today Alice Springs had a population of approximately 34,000 with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people made up 21.2% of the population.

The town straddles the usually dry Todd River on the northern side of the MacDonnell which tower over the town. The surrounding region is an arid environment consisting of several deserts commonly known as the Red Centre. Alice Springs experiences a wide temperature range, with an average maximum in summer of 35.6 °C and an average minimum in winter of 5.1 °C.

Central Australian Congress has over 40 years of experience providing primary health care for Aboriginal people living in Central Australia. The organisation's comprehensive range of culturally appropriate services and programs care for the social, emotional, cultural and physical health and well-being of Aboriginal people in Alice Springs and many outlying communities.

There are currently GP training positions available at the Gap Medical Clinic in Alice Springs.

FAST FACTS



Referring Hospitals



The nearby Alice Springs hospital has 160 acute beds and provides an extensive range of medical specialist, nursing and allied health services.



Services



The clinic provides a comprehensive range of service including minor procedures, USS, Dental, Allied Health - DNE, Podiatry, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Social Work and Psychology



Visiting Specialists



General physician, Nephrologist, DNE, Podiatry, Optometry, Psychology, Child Health Nurse, Dental and Audiology



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