

Advertisement for Brunei Paediatric Medical Officer Posts (2 November 2011)

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The Paediatric Department at the Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Saleha (RIPAS) Hospital invites applicants for **3 Paediatric Medical Officer posts available from mid-January 2012** (equivalent to paediatric residency posts, ST1-ST3, PGY3-PGY5). These posts would be suitable for those who are a minimal of 3-5 years post-medical degree. They should have completed a minimum of their pre-registration house jobs and a 2nd post-graduate clinical job which includes paediatrics. Ideally, the candidate should have a relevant postgraduate medical qualification (for example, Diploma in Child Health or are in the process of obtaining the MRCPCH). They should have a good command of English (IELTS 7; 'O'-level or Higher School Certificate English). The posts will be based on 3-year contract (renewable). Those wishing to do a locum beforehand should indicate this in their application letter.

Brunei Darussalam is located on the west coast of the tropical island of Borneo in S.E Asia. RIPAS Hospital is a 650-bedded hospital with 6,000 deliveries per year. The hospital is located in Bandar Seri Begawan, the capital of Brunei Darussalam. It acts as the main tertiary paediatric referral centre for the country.



Services to children include general paediatrics, neonatology, paediatric cardiology, paediatric oncology, paediatric surgery, paediatric ICU and community paediatrics. The applicant will join a busy consultant-led service with a rotation programme through the various areas in paediatrics. At present there are 7 Consultants. . There are 65 general paediatric beds, 3 PICU beds, 8 NICU Level 3 cots and 16 SCBU cots. On-call rotas are on average 1:5. We have responsibilities to 3 other district hospitals in the country and RIPAS Hospital doctors rotate to these.

There are opportunities for active learning both during clinical work and through weekly departmental meetings and teaching sessions. Trainees have successfully obtained the MRCPCH from these posts. There is an expectation that all doctors in the department actively contribute to the teaching of both undergraduate students and postgraduate trainees, both medical and nursing. All doctors undergo an annual appraisal as part of the Brunei government civil service. Compulsory yearly CPD points are earned as part of requirements for continued registration with the Brunei Medical Board. Those interested to sign on as a registered paediatric trainee will undergo other structured assessments as a part of their training programme. Those who successfully obtain the MRCPCH will be eligible to apply for future Senior Medical Officer posts in the department.

Our paediatric facilities will be enhanced upon the expected completion of a new Women & Children's block on the RIPAS Hospital site in 2013.



Salary range BND \$ 3260 - \$4535 (Tax-free) dependent on experience. On-call allowance works out on average to be about BND \$800 per month in addition to the basic salary. Provided housing is very well subsidized (rent of BND \$130 per month). Contracted doctors are paid a gratuity of 25% at the completion of their contracted term. Education allowance of up to BND \$800 per month per child for up to 4 children below 18 years of age who are resident in Brunei. Free medical care within Government institutions in Brunei Darussalam for you, spouse and children. Interest free car loan. Shipment of personnel effects.

Letters of application quoting post advertisement **MOPaedRIPAS 2011/01** should be accompanied by a detailed CV with information of your previous hospital and post responsibilities, names of 3 referees (one should be from your most recent post), and high resolution copies of passport photo page and relevant certificates. Please send applications electronically to moh_dgms@hotmail.com. For further enquiries please contact Dr Rohayati Taib, Head of Department, Paediatric Department, RIPAS Hospital, Bandar Seri Begawan, BA 1710, Brunei Darussalam by e-mail yazti1312@yahoo.com.

Shortlisted candidates will be notified by 31 December 2011.

Closing date for applications 30 November 2011.