

Applications Close: 24 April 2019

Employment Type: Permanent

Position Classification: Visiting Medical Officer – Cardiologist with interest in Electrophysiology or Heart Failure

Requisition ID: REQ96425

Closing date for Applications: 24th April 2019

Interview: 9 May 2019

The Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District (ISLHD) is looking for a Cardiologist to join the team of multi-disciplinary staff. The primary responsibility for the position is the provision of cardiac services (including pacing) at Wollongong and Shellharbour Hospitals and may be varied as agreed with the Director of Medical Services and as approved via Medical and Dental Appointments Advisory Committee (MDAAC) to other facilities in ISLHD.

Key Responsibilities:

- Provision of cardiac services, including pacing services, at Wollongong Hospital, contribution to cardiac services and participation in the on-call general cardiology roster in accordance with clinical privileges (including call backs for pacing wires, pericardiocentesis, urgent echocardiography).
- Undertake a weekly pacemaker implant list at Wollongong Hospital.
- Participate in weekly pacing and defibrillator clinics.
- Provide an accountable and high standard service consistent with the defined scope of clinical practice for ISLHD and all NSW Health Policies and as required by other senior medical staff and the facility.
- Be dedicated to a teamwork philosophy and be able to demonstrate ability to work as a team member within the Department and the broader multidisciplinary team.
- Ensure detailed patient treatment plans are in place to support the timely management of patients and effective clinical handover processes in accordance with facility and ISLHD guidelines.
- Ensure a high standard of clinical record documentation is maintained, including the completion of all clinical records (including medication charts and other orders) to reflect clinical decisions and optimise data collection. Adapt clinical practice in accordance with contemporary evidence based best practice and any clinical protocols as approved by ISLHD from time to time.

Wollongong Hospital is a busy tertiary referral centre for the Illawarra and Shoalhaven Local Health District (serving a population of approx. 450,000). There are 4 EDs and 1 acute care centre in the district. Wollongong Hospital has a 6-bedded Coronary Care Unit and a step-down unit. The Hospital is accredited for basic physician and advanced cardiology training (with 2 Advanced Trainees and 2 Basic Physician Trainees). It has 2 cath labs and currently, only pacemakers and loop recorders are implanted with complex devices and electrophysiology planned for the future. Wollongong Hospital has a strong affiliation with the University of Wollongong and supports the training of Nursing, Medical and Allied Health staff. Basic Electrophysiology, AICD insertion, and left atrial appendage closure are currently being performed at Wollongong Private Hospital and accreditation there can be facilitated for the successful applicant.

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District is committed to equal employment opportunity and embraces diversity and inclusion within its workforce. As such, people from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply. This includes, but is not limited to, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People, People with Disability, Women and People from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse backgrounds.

An eligibility list will be created for future Temporary Full-Time and Part-Time positions.

Please note: Employment of a temporary visa holder may only occur if no suitable permanent resident or citizen of Australia has been identified for this position following suitable labour market testing. Criminal record checks will be undertaken on successful applicants. This position is designated as child-related employment and you will be required to obtain a Working With Children clearance from the Office of the Children's Guardian.

To apply, please go to <https://wwwcheck.ccyp.nsw.gov.au/Applicants/Application>

For more information on how to apply for the clearance, please visit the Office of the Children's Guardian website <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

Successful applicants to the role must provide certified documentation of vaccination history and pathology as part of their recruitment documentation. The applicant must be certified as compliant with http://www1.health.nsw.gov.au/pds/Pages/doc.aspx?dn=PD2018_009 before employment can commence.

Selection Criteria:

1. Specialist registration or eligible for specialist registration as a Cardiologist Medical Practitioner with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
2. Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (FRACP) with accredited training in Cardiology and/or equivalent specialist recognition.
3. Possession of specific training and skills/experience in electrophysiology, including a minimum of two years' full time training in a dedicated electrophysiology programme (with exposure, participation and performance of atrial fibrillation ablation and atypical atrial flutter or ventricular tachycardia ablation). We will also consider applications from candidates with specific training in heart failure and devices.
4. Demonstrated clinical experience in pacing.
5. Demonstrated commitment to teaching with experience in teaching both undergraduate and post graduate students and other staff of the hospital.
6. Ideally, an appointment at a Sydney hospital as a cardiologist with clinical privileges in electrophysiology and the capacity to transfer patients requiring higher level electrophysiology care to Sydney as required.
7. Demonstrated ability to work effectively and harmoniously with medical and other health services colleagues as part of a multi-disciplinary health care team and demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with patients, colleagues, and staff and to work as an effective member of the clinical team across multiple sites.
8. Demonstrated experience in and commitment to research relevant to the role and needs of the Department.

Please submit your application and selection criteria responses to:

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/cardiologist-with-interest-in-electrophysiology-or-heart-failure-visiting-medical-officer-148284>