



Dear Dr

If you had thought of spending one or more weekends a year combining interesting work with a country retreat, while supporting your rural colleagues, this letter may appeal to you!

The Foster and Toora Medical Centre is trialling a locum relief scheme over the next two years to help with weekend after hour's roster.

The clinic hopes to recruit a group of interested General Practitioners who would like to combine the enjoyment of spending time in the beautiful coastal area of South Gippsland with a weekend of medical locum based employment. It is hoped that this position will provide cover for 24 weekends each year with appropriate support of one of the practice's doctors.

The position involves providing medical support for the Saturday morning clinic based at The Foster Medical Centre (0900-1230) and then the Acute Care Clinic at the local South Gippsland Hospital (1230 Saturday to 1700 Sunday). One of the clinic's doctors would be also working at the Saturday morning clinic session and be available as support over the rest of the weekend. They would also be the doctor taking over the medical duties from 1700 on the Sunday afternoon.

The work would involve routine General Practice type consultations and emergency presentations at the South Gippsland Hospital which is staffed by a competent nursing team who triage all calls and staff the Acute Care Clinic. A designated practice nurse is also provided by the hospital to assist the doctor and rostered from 1300-2100 Sat and 1100-1900 Sun. This nurse provides a valuable support which includes triage, acute care management, record keeping and billing services.

A background of some accident and emergency experience is preferable but the majority of presentations are of a general practice nature. Obstetric, Surgery and Anaesthetics cover are provided on a separate roster by the Foster Medical Group and are available as a backup if required. Obstetric support would be very beneficial (approximately some 70 low risk deliveries are performed per year) with bonus additional remuneration rates for obstetric services if provided.

An attractive remuneration package has been proposed that provides a travel subsidy (\$100.00), accommodation and a salary of 75% of fees generated or a base salary of \$2000.00 (whatever the greater). Bring the family: there is a lot for them to do with local sporting facilities, walking, cycling, beautiful beaches, Wilson's Prom National Park and a vibrant town centre.

If this offer interests you please contact Maureen Buckley (Practice Manager) on 0356822088 or look at our website www.fostermedical.com.au and a "Foster Locum Relief 2010" package will be sent to you.