



COUNTRY HEALTH SA Flinders & Upper North Region

PORT AUGUSTA HOSPITAL

2019 Registered Midwife

Transition to Professional Practice Program (TPPP)

About the Pt Augusta Health Service

Port Augusta is located in the mid North region some 300 kms north of Adelaide at the top of the Spencer Gulf, known as “The Crossroads of Australia”. Port Augusta is a thriving culturally diverse regional centre with a population of approx. 14,000 people.

The Port Augusts Hospital is a Perinatal Level 4 Service and is the regional referral Hospital for high risk pregnancies and Paediatric and Neonatal Care. The Port Augusta Hospital cares for more than 300 birthing women per year and provides birthing services to women >34 weeks gestation. Medical Care is lead by Consultant Obstetricians who operate over a 24 hour roster.

Graduate Midwives at the Port Augusta Hospital will be exposed to the full spectrum of maternity care including antenatal, birthing and postnatal services. Graduates will also be given the opportunity to develop their skills caring for neonates in busy Neonatal Nursery which is managed by our Team of onsite Paediatricians.

The Port Augusta Hospital is also home to the highly successful Anangu Bibi Birthing Program which provides pregnancy care to Aboriginal Women in the community and remote centres including Coober Pedy. The program targets high risk women and operates using a Team Midwifery Model of Care. The Program is supported by highly skilled Aboriginal and Maternal Infant Care Workers who guide the delivery of culturally safe care across the pregnancy spectrum.


Port Augusta is a regional base for the Royal Flying Doctor Service, which provides medical care and retrievals for patients in isolated and remote communities. The hospital serves a large remote area of the state.

What does the TPPP for Midwives look like at Pt Augusta Health Service?

The program will be available to Graduate Midwife, Graduate Registered Nurse and Registered Midwife or Graduate Midwife who are eligible for Registration as a Registered General Nurse.

There will be 1- 2 full time positions available with the expected date to start Jan/Feb 2019.

You will have the opportunity to work with Aboriginal communities and individuals and the graduate midwife will provide direct midwifery care, cultural and individual case management to patients on a shift-by shift basis.



Midwifery led antenatal outpatient clinics in conjunction with the 2 hospital based obstetricians can further enhance your skills, knowledge and clinical competence in this field.

There will be opportunities to work within the Level 2- 4 Nursery with support, gain experience in the antenatal clinic, intra and postpartum midwifery care as well providing skills within the operating theatres. The graduate midwife will be required to work a 7 day roster with all shifts rostered. There will be a requirement to be rostered on-call once sufficient experience has been gained with a flexible roster system operating.

The Anangu Bibi Birthing Project is co- located on our ward area , “a nationally recognised Aboriginal Birthing programme that is 12 years strong” with supported Aboriginal Maternal Infant Care workers working in partnership with community, midwives and clients to deliver strong birthing outcomes for Aboriginal babies.

If you are interested in an exciting and rewarding transitioning midwifery program in a busy acute health unit, please contact us so we can discuss the best way to introduce you to our services and answer all your questions.

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