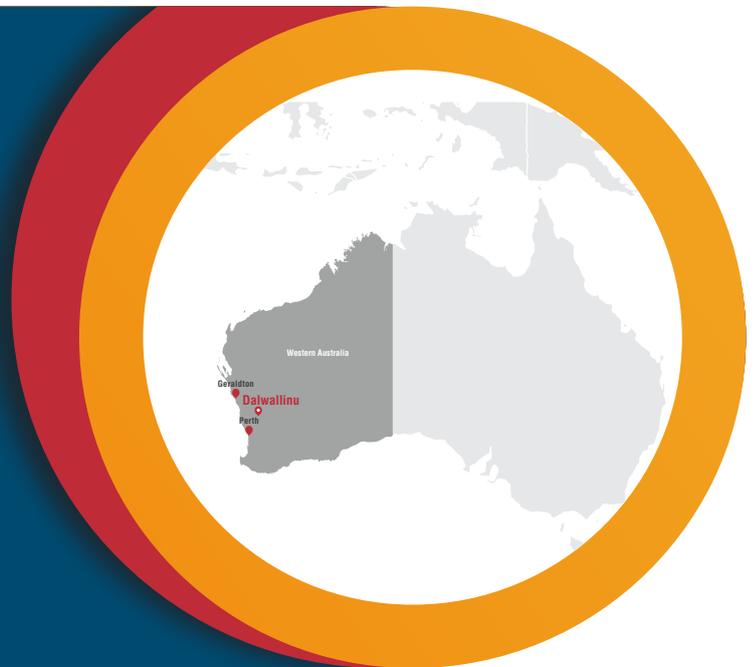


# ABOUT DALWALLINU WESTERN AUSTRALIA



## ABOUT TARGETED RECRUITMENT

The Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS) has expanded its traditional workforce retention and training model by recruiting doctors to targeted remote communities with high medical workforce need. The aim is to enhance the attractiveness of rural and remote posts to high quality applicants to provide communities with a well-supported and sustainable GP workforce.

The initial pilot of the program in 2018-19 has successfully secured the services of six full-time doctors to six rural and remote communities across Australia.

Targeted recruitment positions utilise existing RVTS training positions and infrastructure. The training is fully funded by the Australian Government and is a four-year GP training program delivered by Distance Education and Remote Supervision to Fellowship of the ACRRM and/or RACGP.



### Location



Dalwallinu is a small town located in the wheat belt of Western Australia about three hours north of Perth. It is located 263km north west of Perth on the Great Northern Highway. The beautiful town can claim to be the first town on The Wildflower Way, a world famous tourist route that stretches north to Mullewa.



### Attractions



Visitors to Dalwallinu marvel at the vibrant yellow wattle trees that line the roadside and tourist areas. Dalwallinu hosts the Wattle Week festival every September. Western Australia boasts more than 10,000 different wildflower varieties and many of these can be seen in and around Dalwallinu.



### Housing



The median price for houses in Dalwallinu is \$581,463 and the median price for units is \$238,752. You can expect to pay an average of \$585 rent for a three-bedroom home, or \$285 for a two-bedroom unit. *Source: homesales.com.au, June, 2019.*



### Education



High school students in Dalwallinu can attend Dalwallinu District High School from Year 7 to Year 10. They can then study Year 11 and 12 through distance education. Primary school students from Prep to Year 6 can attend nearby Kalannie Primary School.

# ABOUT DALWALLINU MEDICAL PRACTICE



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Dalwallinu Medical Practice is an accredited single doctor private GP practice, staffed with a full-time administration staff and a nurse.

Facilities allow for simple procedures including vaccinations, skin excisions, venesections, etc.

There is a hospital in Dalwallinu, which is managed by WA Country Health Services.

This is currently intermittently supported by locums and Moora GPs for emergency and aged care.

There are eight residential aged care beds and an emergency department facility which is staffed by nurses with telehealth support.

Acute admissions are currently sent to Northam for further treatment.

There is support for doctors at the Dalwallinu Medical Practice from the Panaceum Group in Geraldton.

It has 18 general practitioners, including two registrars currently.

Videoconferencing software is setup for remote telehealth and can be utilised for regular supervisor meetings as well as on-the-spot clinical support.

## FAST FACTS



### Referring hospitals

- .....
- Northam Regional Hospital - 170kms
  - Royal Perth Hospital - 252km



### Services

- .....
- Child health
  - Immunisations
  - Skin excisions
  - Venesections



### Visiting specialists

- .....
- Women's health care
  - Diabetes health care
  - Youth Focus telehealth
  - Speech therapy
  - Dietitian
  - Mental health
  - Social worker
  - Occupational therapy



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