# ABOUT Cowell, Cleve and Kimba

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# **RVTS TARGETED RECRUITMENT PILOT**

The Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS) assists the recruitment of doctors to targeted rural and remote communities with high medical workforce need, by including the RVTS GP Vocational Training program as a component of the doctor recruitment package. Since 2018, RVTS has successfully assisted the recruitment of 23 doctors to 26 rural and remote locations across Australia, including 10 Aboriginal Medical Services.

RVTS Training is a four-year GP and Rural Generalist training program delivered by Distance Education and Remote Supervision leading to Fellowship of the ACRRM and/or RACGP. RVTS Training is fully funded by the Australian Government.

The Targeted Recruitment model has brought workforce stability and enhanced continuity of care to the participating communities, as well as career progression to specialist qualifications for the recruited doctors. The RVTS Targeted Recruitment strategy is an Australian Government Initiative.



### Location

The three Eyre
Peninsula communities
are all within 30 to 60
minutes drive of each
other, surrounded by
broad acre farming and
aquaculture.

Located 60 minutes from Whyalla and 100 minutes from Port Lincoln.



# **Attractions**

Most famously known as one of the most picturesque regions in the country. Complete with white sandy beaches, surfing and some of the finest fishing areas in Australia, the Peninsula is renowned for its quality lifestyle, pristine environment and strong sense of community.



# Housing

Housing and vehicle provisions to be negotiated in the employment contract and is dependent which town the doctor seeks to reside.

The median property price for the region is \$175,000.



# Education

Cowell, Cleve, and Kimba all have area schools catering up to year 12. The Cowell area school also offers an award-winning aquaculture program which attracts students from all over the state. Port Lincoln has a private school which offers boarding facilities.



# ABOUT Mid Eyre Medical



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Mid Eyre Medical delivers an innovative model of general practice, providing diverse patient-centred primary health care and hospital-based services to the communities of Cleve, Kimba and Cowell.

The team operates primarily from Cleve to support the rural hospitals in each town. The practice is owned and managed by the Eyre and Far North Local Health Network. The team of GPs is supported by administration, practice nurse positions and a full-time practice manager staff.

Mid Eyre Medical provides primary and emergency health care to more than 3000 people. The emergency on-call roster is a 1:4 arrangement, allowing for a work-life balance. The other GPs in the practice offer support to their colleagues to ensure safe patient care and good self-care.

The network comprises: Cleve Hospital with 20 acute and additional aged care beds; Cowell and District Hospital Location with 12 acute and 18 aged care beds; Kimba and Districts Hospital with 12 acute and 19 aged care beds.

## **FAST FACTS**



# **Referring Hospitals**

Whyalla (100km) has a regional cancer centre, an integrated mental health inpatient unit and provides rehab, orthotics/prosthetics and orthopaedics.

Port Lincoln (160km) is a modern 50 bed complex with obstetrics, renal dialysis, cancer services and operating facilities.



## **Services**

Consulting clinic including postsurgical care, post-natal care, palliative care, basic X-ray and emergency on-call services.

Additional services include physiotherapy, podiatry, occupational therapy, speech pathology, dietetics, midwifery, early childhood health, youth development and more.



# **Visiting Specialists**

Optometry (private), ophthalmology (private), audiometry, Child and Family Health Service, mental health and chiropractor (private).

A wide range of services are accessible via tele-health.











