

ABOUT St Mary's TAS



RVTS ENHANCED 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 20 doctors to 24 rural and remote locations across Australia, including 9 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



Launceston is 1.5 hours away by road and Hobart 2.75 hours. Each offers direct flights to Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Adelaide and Perth. Hobart offers direct international flights to New Zealand.



Attractions



A variety of excellent nature walks can be found close by, with two national parks to choose from. Tall peaks with panoramic views, waterfalls, coal mining heritage sites, beautiful beaches, and fishing. World class mountain biking trails are located at nearby St Helens and Derby.



Housing



Rental accommodation in St Marys is rare, but there is availability of attractive properties in coastal Scamander (17 minutes) and St Helens (33 minutes). Median prices for St Helens are \$375/week to rent and \$570k to purchase.



Education



Kindergarten to Year 12 is available at St Marys and there is a local school bus. There are excellent secondary schools in Launceston, with weekly boarding available.

ABOUT Ochre Health St Marys



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The small town of St Mary's (population 700) is situated beneath the rocky outcrop of St Patrick's Head in Tasmania's north-east, just 10 kilometres from the beautiful East Coast.

St Mary's is a farming community where the locals are friendly, strong heritage from Tasmania's colonial days is evident and in town there are great cafes, quaint shops and galleries, and a grand old pub.

Ochre Health St Marys holds full AGPAL accreditation, is fully bulk billing and uses Medical Director software. A treatment room offers the opportunity to perform procedures. Pathology collection is offered on-site daily, and x-ray is available 40 minutes away.

The general practice is co-located with St Mary's District Hospital/Community Health Centre.

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Referring Hospitals



The practice is co-located with St Mary's District Hospital with 8 acute/subacute beds and an emergency department. The closest tertiary referral hospital is Launceston General Hospital, 90 minutes by road.



Services



Allied health services including visiting physiotherapy, podiatry, social work, diabetes educators, child health services, and optometry are available. The hospital provides general medical and palliative inpatient care, and outpatient services for CAT 3, 4 and 5 presentations.



Visiting Specialists



Access to specialists is available via telehealth. The community health centre provides Community Nursing services, a Day Centre, Home Help/Personal Care and the Tasmanian Lymphoedema Centre.



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