

Evidence of infrastructure and training capacity

Practice name	Talunga Clinic (Mount Pleasant)		
ABN	73 943 263 399		
Address	Hospital Road, Mount Pleasant SA 5235 view Google map 40 Shannon Street, Birdwood SA 5234 view Google map		
Phone number	08 8568 0080		
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Web address	-		
Principal contact name	Dr Ken Sieben / Carol Poland		
ASGC-RA classification*	RA2		
Outer metropolitan	No		
RACGP teaching site	Yes		
ACRRM teaching site	Yes		
RACGP accredited	Yes		
ACRRM accredited	Yes		
AGPAL accredited (or equivalent)	Yes		
Public liability insurance	Yes	Name of insurer	Guild Insurance Date of renewal 31/8/12

Location

Description of practice location	<p>Mt Pleasant is a small country town about 55kms N/E from the CBD on the border of the Adelaide Hills and the Barossa Valley. Local population is approximately 450, but we service over 3000 patients, from the Barossa to Woodside, and from Mannum to Williamstown. The practice is conveniently situated in the grounds of the Mount Pleasant Hospital. We have a branch practice at Birdwood, 10kms from Mt Pleasant, which is open every day and all the GPs consult there for at least one session per week.</p> <p>Dr Sieben also consults at Cambrai once per month to service the non-urgent needs of our patients in this area.</p>
Health and medical information about the region	<p>Mt Pleasant Hospital has a mixture of acute and residential beds and there are pharmacies in both Mt Pleasant and Birdwood.</p> <p>There are x-ray facilities at Mt Pleasant Hospital, and comprehensive radiology services in neighbouring towns.</p> <p>There is a Gribbles patient centre located at the Mt Pleasant Hospital open 0830-1230, Monday - Friday.</p>
Practice type and size	<p>Dr Ken Sieben is the principal and sole owner of the practice.</p> <p>Dr Abdullah Al Jobair, Dr Azar Arvand and Dr Armin Ghoreishi also work at the practice. We also have a SF registrar, Dr Naquib Islam, who has been with us for over a year and plans to continue with us long term.</p> <p>The clinic also employs 2 practice nurses who work a total of 1.4 FTE per week.</p> <p>We have 4 consulting rooms at Mt Pleasant and 3 at Birdwood We are fully computerised with network connections to the hospital and the Birdwood Surgery, and we use Zedmed for both clinical and administration.</p> <p>Both practices are fully accredited.</p>

Clinic Services

Clinic hours	Mon, Tues, Thurs - 9am to 7.30pm
Normal work hours	Wed, Fri - 9am to 5pm Sat - 9am to 11.30am

Home visits	Scheduled as required
After hours	One 24 hour period on-call per week, with an evening consulting session on the same day, 2 breaks and reduced consulting sessions.
Weekends	We have a 1:5 weekend roster which includes Saturday and Sunday with Saturday morning consulting.
Hospital	Ward rounds are preferably undertaken before consulting begins in the mornings at 8.30 to 9.00am. Minor procedures can be booked at mutually convenient times.
Nursing home visits	Each GP has time allocated each week for visiting nursing home patients in the hospital. There are no other nursing homes in the district.
Are home visits provided?	Yes
Is an after-hours/weekend service provided?	Yes
If no, is a locum service provided?	N/A
Is hospital in-patient care provided?	Yes
Are nursing home visits provided?	Yes
What access to specialists and other health professionals is available?	<p>We have visiting on site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audiologist (monthly) • Podiatrist (monthly-Birdwood and opposite fortnight at hospital) • Dentist (weekly-Birdwood) • Orthodontist (Bi-monthly-Birdwood) <p>As well as a number of services at the hospital including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visiting general surgeon and gynaecologist • Endoscopy/colonoscopy • Visiting allied health including dietetics, diabetes education and podiatry.
Aspects of medicine in your practice that will be a feature of registrar training	<p>Registrars will have access to a comprehensive cross-section of rural general practice, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Health • Mental Health • Men's Health • Child and Adolescent Health • Geriatric/aged care • Minor surgery • Acupuncture • Limited radiology • Surgical assisting <p>Registrars will have full admitting rights to the Mt Pleasant Hospital and can manage their own patients under the supervision of Dr Sieben. The hospital is less than 15 minutes from the RAH by helicopter, and 1 hour by road.</p>
Details of practice support	
On-site and after-hours supervision to meet professional standards	On week days there are always other GPs consulting who are available to assist registrars. For after hours back up Dr Sieben lives locally and is usually only a few minutes away. If he is further afield he is contactable

by phone 24 hours a day.

Provision is made for registrars to attend education activities	The Clinic is more than happy to rearrange schedules so registrars can attend any educational activities.
Access to clinical resources/reference materials	There are many books available in the staff room or individual doctors consulting rooms as well as access to all the online resources which we have found registrars prefer.
Adequate consulting space, IT facilities and equipment for registrar	We have large, well equipped consulting rooms. We are fully computerised with Caramel Computing overseeing the system. They are available for assistance with hardware and software by telephone or email daily. The Mount Pleasant Clinic, Hospital and Birdwood Clinic are all networked. A laptop is available for home visits and consulting at Cambrai, with all the Zedmed clinical data.
Appropriate space available for teaching purposes	Teaching is undertaken in the staff room, supervisor's or registrar's room or up at the hospital depending on what is required for each teaching session. We also have a lunch meeting most weeks that is very useful to all staff.

Expectations of registrar workload

Workload of registrar monitored and managed to ensure a balanced patient base	<p>Patients per hour 3 – 4</p> <p>Initially 2 patients per hour until the registrar is comfortable to increase to 3 then 4 patients.</p>
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Facilities offered by practice

Large consulting rooms with full access to broadband internet.

Our practice nurses perform ECGs, spirometries, BSLs, INRs, childhood and adult immunisations. They will also assist with the preparation and administration of patient management plans, and organise community health services for patients.

Our administration and reception staff are very friendly and helpful, and we enjoy a relatively low staff turnover rate at the practice.

There is a 2 bedroom unit available for the registrar to rent only 1-2 minutes from the practice, with rental costs fully reimbursed through the practice and Sturt Fleurieu.

We have a comfortable, spacious staff room/kitchen with an endless supply of chocolate biscuits!

Technical information

Name of principal supervisor/trainer	Dr Ken Sieben
Qualifications	MBBS FRACGP FACRRM
Full and unrestricted registration with the Medical Board of Australia	Yes
FRACGP	Yes
RACGP member	Yes
FACRRM	Yes
ACRRM member	Yes
Vocational registration status	Accredited
Experience, including number of full time years in general practice	30 years as GP with over 20 years as a rural GP.
CPD status achieved 2008 - 2010	Yes
Professional medical indemnity insurance	Yes Name of insurer MIGA Date of renewal 30/6/12

*RA1 – major cities of Australia

RA2 – inner regional Australia

RA3 – outer regional Australia

RA4 – remote Australia

RA5 – very remote Australia

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