

## NHS Education for Scotland

### Rural Fellowships in General Practice – Local Job Information

#### Job Reference

#### Supplementary Information for NHS Highland, Argyll and Bute HSCP Campbeltown Rural Fellowship

The Campbeltown Rural Fellowship provides a true general experience of life and work in Rural General Practice.

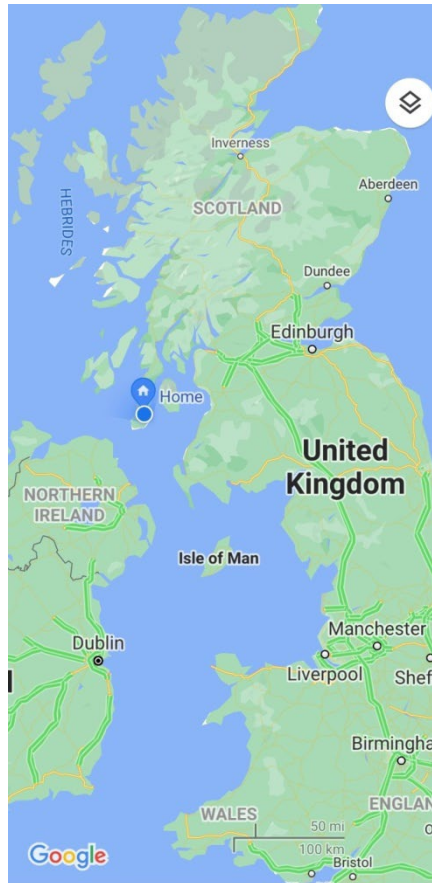
#### Location

**The Kintyre Peninsula** is about forty miles long with stunning coasts, hills & lochs, sandy beaches, history and archaeology, and of course whisky and seafood which have made this part of Scotland internationally famous. There are unique benefits to living in Kintyre; the palm trees in Campbeltown show the effect of the Gulf Stream, low rainfall (less than 40% of the rest of the west of Scotland), two world class golf courses on the shores of the Atlantic Ocean featuring the 'best first hole in the world'. Kintyre has some of the best surfing and water sports locations on mainland Scotland.

Campbeltown one of the largest towns in Argyll has a selection of supermarkets and local retailers, excellent primary and secondary schools. It also has its own “Wee Picture House” the oldest, purpose-built cinema in Scotland still showing films. Campbeltown also hosts the annual Kintyre Half Marathon and 10k in May, voted “best organised and best location within the UK”. The annual August Mull of Kintyre Music Festival and Springbank whisky open days are unique local experiences. The Aqualibrium provides modern fitness suite, 25 metre swimming pool and various exercise classes.

From Campbeltown, Glasgow is 3 hours by road and just 30 minutes by regular flights from Machrihanish Airport. The Calmac ferry service from Ardrossan to Campbeltown has now been established as a long term sea link to Kintyre and the islands of Arran, Islay, Jura and Gigha are all easily accessible.





**Campbeltown Medical Practice** (practice population 6,100) covers the main population centre in Kintyre, and is attached to Campbeltown Community Hospital and on site Campbeltown Dental Centre. The practice population is diverse and reflects the local economy that includes farming, forestry, fishing, light and heavy industry, with the associated occupational, deprivation, injury and disease patterns.

Day to day GMS work is limited to 12 appointment sessions, maximum 8 sessions in any week, usually with Wednesday and Friday afternoons off. We use Vision and Docman with paper light working.

Campbeltown Practice Principals provide 24-hour rota based on call cover to Campbeltown Accident & Emergency, OOH GMS services for Kintyre and Campbeltown Hospital, a 17-bed Acute unit with a 2 patient haemodialysis unit and purpose build palliative care suite. The non bypass A&E department is well equipped and supported seeing 5000 patients per year and has historically worked closely with the Glasgow specialities and Retrieval Teams. Campbeltown Practice also provides the Police Surgeon cover and medical support for the Campbeltown Life Boat, Coastguard and Airport.

## **Duties**

Duties will include the full range of general practice duties during the Rural Fellow's time as in any General Practice post. You will work with the entire multidisciplinary Primary and Community Hospital Teams and play a full part in all aspects of the practice, giving you as broad an experience as possible.

The Rural Fellow will spend at least 33 weeks (22 weeks service commitment plus 11 weeks i.e. 50% of education component) working as a fully integrated clinician in Campbeltown Medical Practice.

There will be a period of induction to the practice provided locally and any OOH work will also have a period of induction with appropriate training and up-skilling as required, with supervision and support ongoing throughout the post.

### **Supervision in Practice**

The Rural Fellow will be allocated a local mentor who will be a Campbeltown Principal.

### **Education in Practice**

The Rural Fellow will have ample access to educational opportunities that are varied and extensive within the Kintyre area.

Campbeltown Community Hospital has extensive educational opportunities including Acute Medicine / Community Hospital (GP led), Rehabilitation Medicine (GP / Nurse led), Community Integrated Care (Nurse / GP), Obstetrics (Midwife / GP), and Palliative Medicine (MacMillan Palliative Care Nurse / GP). There are numerous visiting Consultant Clinics within the hospital, including Dermatology, Psychiatry, Paediatrics, General Medicine, General Surgery, Ophthalmology, Gynaecology and Rheumatology allowing close working and specialist interest development.

The protected educational component will be for a total of 11 weeks. The fellow will organise this in conjunction with the Rural Fellowship Co-ordinator. Fellows will have the opportunity to negotiate additional experience in secondary care, remote practices and to undertake specific course activity as available. Fellows will also be expected to attend the meetings of the Scottish Rural Fellows which take place three times per year.

### **Annual Leave & Public Holidays**

This will comprise of 6 weeks (30 working days) plus 10 statutory holidays, with the remaining 44 weeks of the year allocated between a service commitment of 33 weeks (22 weeks + 11 weeks) and 11 weeks protected training time.

This Job Description is not definitive and may be subject to change in discussion with the Fellow, Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership and NES.

