Are you interested to serve in a remote island in Micronesia in the Pacific?

Looking for Medical Doctors

I. Background

This is a request for a medical doctor to station on a remote island in the middle of the Pacific called Satowan in Chuuk, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM).

We are also looking for at least 3 more doctors to be in the main hospital on Weno (the center of Chuuk). See the details below for the specific kind doctors that are needed.

Chuuk is one of the groups of islands or states that comprise the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). FSM has a long history with the United States as a former territory until today as an independent and sovereign nation (http://www.visit-micronesia.fm/state/c_top.html).

Where is Satowan Island?

Satowan Island located on Satowan Atoll in Chuuk State, FSM. Please see this website for further details: (http://web.singnet.com.sg/~tonym/satawan1.html). There are about 3 other islands that share the same atoll. Five nearby islands are within travel by boat. There is a small air-strip on TA which is only 15 minutes boat ride away. There are about 1,500 people on Satowan Island, but another 5,000 people are living on the nearby islands that also access the Satowan Super Dispensary, where the medical doctor will work out from.

II. What specialty should the doctors have?

A medical doctor or general practitioner (preferably a retired or semi-retired couple/or any readily available doctor) is needed on Satowan Island to serve the groups of islands in the Mortlocks. The doctor will be stationed on Satowan and can travel to the other nearby islands when needed. If both couples are medical professional, Chuuk State will also employ both of them.

For the main hospital on Weno in Chuuk, the following are needed:

1. 1 Surgeon
2. 1 Public Health Physician specialized in NCD or chronic disease related conditions
3. 1 Anesthesiologist
III. Duties and Responsibilities

The medical doctor will provide general medical care to the residents of Satowan and the Mortlocks Islands. Because this is a resource poor and underserved area, it’s important that the doctor is accustomed to working in this type of environment.

The doctor will have a team of health assistants, nurse and other support personnel. When care cannot be provided on Satowan Super Dispensary, consultation through radio and Internet is available. When warranted, medical evacuation of the patients to the central hospital can be arranged.

IV. Qualification Requirements

1. a doctor of medicine (MD) degree or equivalent;
2. be eligible to be licensed to practice medicine in the FSM; and
3. Experience in working in a resource poor environment or underserved and remote areas.

V. Salary and Benefits

Salary of USD 40,000-50,000/year with housing and other benefits included. Moving expenses to and from Satowan in the Mortlocks, Chuuk.

VI. Contact Information

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