



MINISTRY OF HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Particulars of the position

Role:	Chief Medical Officer
Salary Band:	Band L
Base salary & Allowances:	MOCA C: Base: 113,754.73 + On Call Allowance: 5,687.74 + Environmental Allowance 17,063.21 = F\$136,505.68
Duration:	Permanent Appointment until the Retirement Age of 60 years
Location:	Dermatology Unit
Division:	Tamavua Twomey Hospital
Reports to:	Medical Superintendent
Subordinates:	Principal Medical Officers within the Unit

Overview of the Unit

Tamavua Twomey Hospital is the national referral hospital for specialized Dermatology, Tuberculosis and Rehabilitation Medicine responsible for overseeing promotion, prevention, curative and rehabilitation activities. It is also a National Training Centre.

The Position

The position supports and assists the Medical Superintendent in the provision of high quality services in the relevant specialized field of Medicine, under the responsibility of either the Medical Superintendent or Chief Medical Advisor, consistent with the values of the Ministry of Health and Medical Services.

Key Duties

The position will achieve its purpose through the following key duties.

1. Provide assistance or leadership and management to promote the interest and development of the Unit through strategic planning, ensuring cohesion of the overall functions of the Unit by working effectively with the HOD and adheres towards a positive collegiate relationship.
2. Undertake clinical responsibilities in the hospital or Public Health Programs and on outreach, by being actively involved in patient care, available for consultation and liaison with other units and referring hospitals, maintaining appropriate records and confidentiality, to ensuring best practice care to obtain best possible outcomes whilst promoting and maintaining client focus.
3. Facilitate peer reviews, monitor and evaluate Unit activities and implement corrective measures to provide effective and efficient services.
4. Responsible for medical reports & medico-legal assessments and provision of expert opinion under the guidance and directive of the HOD. For National Advisors, they oversee the implementation of public health programs and program interventions at operational level.
5. Identifying and minimizing risk at a systematic level through effective communication and management skills to contribute to improved clinical governance.

6. Undertake education, teaching and research activities to train coach, mentor and support staff, students and other stakeholders; be responsible for personal continuous professional development and be a health advocate.

Key Performance Indicators

Performance will be measured through the following indicators:

1. Provide assistance to promote the interest and development of the Unit /Subdivision using the plans agreed to by the MS/DMO and HOD for clinical specialty.
2. Undertake clinical/PH responsibilities in the hospital and on outreach to obtain best possible outcome and maintain client focus.
3. Monitor and evaluate activities of responsible areas of Unit plans to provide effective and efficient services and ensure corrective measures are undertaken to improve clinical governance.
4. Undertake education, teaching and research activities for personal continuous professional development and be a health advocate

The Person

In addition to the following knowledge, experience, skills and abilities, the applicant must have:

A Masters degree in the field of specialty or equivalent qualification AND a Registered Specialist by the Fiji Medical Council;

OR

A Masters degree in the field of specialty or equivalent qualification AND a Registered Specialist in another country that would be recognized by the Fiji Medical Council;

OR

If not registered as a Specialist, the Applicant must have a Masters degree in the field of specialty or equivalent qualification and be confirmed as qualifying to be recognized as a Specialist by the Fiji Medical Council.

Knowledge and Experience

1. Strong knowledge of evidence-based standards of safe practices in the relevant specialized field of Medicine and general medicine.
2. Understanding of medical and government legislation, policies and medico-legal compliance.
3. Broad understanding of concepts/tools used in clinical leadership, management, audits, research, monitoring and evaluation and clinical governance.
4. Specialized training and clinical experience in the relevant specialized field of Medicine.
5. Experience working in a level two hospital, managing a clinical Unit with limited resources and confident and competent in teaching and training staff.
6. Experience in resuscitating patients with life-threatening emergencies and subsequent management of critically ill or injured patients, initiating and participating in an emergency response, and supporting team members and relatives of very sick patients.

Skills and Abilities

1. Excellent Clinical and Public Health Skills including Procedural skills.
2. Excellent communication skills.
3. Strong organizational skills.

4. Ability to work within a multidisciplinary team, work under pressure in a resource constrained environment/facility and can cope with adverse outcomes.
5. Able to analyze and solve complex medical problems using an evidence-based approach and offer clinical opinion on a range of problems in the relevant Specialized field of Medicine, showing some independent responsibility without direct supervision.
6. Demonstrated ability in organizing professional development activities (conferences, meetings and workshops), personal development and learning new skills.

Selection Criteria

1. Clinical and Public Health expertise at the level of Specialist and should have significant depth of experience in the relevant Specialized field of Medicine.
2. Effective manager who can supervise a unit to maintain patient safety and quality of care.
3. Highly effective oral and written communicator.
4. Demonstrated ability to collaborate with stakeholders and Health Advocates.
5. A leader experienced in training, mentoring, coaching and supporting research.
6. A professional who demonstrates the highest values and ethical practice.

Personal Character and Eligibility

Applicants for employment in the Ministry of Health & Medical Services must be of good character, with a background that demonstrates their commitment to the Civil Service Values contained in the Fijian Constitution. Applicants must also be Fijian Citizens, under age of 55, in sound health, with a clear police record. The selected applicant will be required to provide a medical certificate and police clearance prior to take up of duty.

The Ministry is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer. Applications are encouraged from all eligible, qualified applicants. All applicants must address the specific knowledge, experience, skills and abilities required of the job, as these criteria will be considered in assessing the relative suitability of applicants.