



# CAMPBELTOWN RURAL FELLOWSHIP

**Location** – The Kintyre Peninsula is a 40 mile stretch of stunning coastlines & beaches, with some of the best surfing and water sports locations on mainland Scotland. The area is known for its history and archaeology, and of course whisky and seafood which this part of Scotland famous for. Kintyre benefits from the effect of the gulf stream with low rainfall (less than 40% of the rest of the west of Scotland) and homes two world class golf courses on the shores of the Atlantic Ocean featuring the 'best first hole in the world'.

Campbeltown is one of the largest towns in Argyll. With two supermarkets and a number of local retailers. Excellent primary and secondary schools. It is home to the “Wee Picture House” the oldest, purpose-built cinema in Scotland. In May it hosts the Kintyre Half Marathon/10k and the Springbank whisky open day. In August there’s the Mull of Kintyre Music Festival, all of which are unique local experiences. The town’s Aqualibrium provides a modern fitness suite, 25 metre swimming pool and various exercise classes.

Glasgow is 3 hours by road and just 30 minutes by regular flights from Machrihanish Airport. Calmac ferry service links Campbeltown to Ardrossan, and Kintyre has sea links to the islands of Arran, Islay, Jura and Gigha, all of which are easily accessible.

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

Day to day GMS work is 12 appointments per sessions, with a maximum of 7 clinical sessions per week, these can be flexible to work around individual fellows needs. We are a paper light practice using Vision and Docman.

Campbeltown Practice provides a rota based 24hr on call cover to Campbeltown Accident & Emergency, OOH GMS services for Kintyre and Campbeltown Hospital, a 15 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 works closely with Glasgow specialities and Retrieval Teams. Campbeltown Practice provides Police Surgeon cover and medical support for the Campbeltown Life Boat, Coastguard and Airport.

**Duties** - These will include a full range of general practice duties. The rural fellow will become an integrated member of our community and team, working with the entire multidisciplinary Primary and Community Hospital Teams during their time in Campbeltown.

The Rural Fellow will spend at least 33 weeks (22 weeks service commitment plus 9-10 weeks i.e. 50% of education component) working as a fully integrated clinician in Campbeltown Medical Practice.

An induction to the practice will be provided locally, with appropriate training and up-skilling as required, with supervision and support ongoing throughout the post. There will also be an opportunity to cover the Community Hospital in and OOH on call sessions, these sessions are well remunerated at locum rates and will be an important additional source of income based on how much you choose to do.

**Education** - 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 led unit), and Palliative Medicine (MacMillan Palliative Care Nurses / 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** - 5-6 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 + 9-10 weeks) and 12 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.

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

