



Medical Doctor: Antarctica (Approximately 15 months contract) (OC19/2019)

Salary R1 005 063 p.a (All inclusive package)

Centre: Antarctica SANAE Base

Requirements:

- In possession of a relevant medical qualification recognised to practice as a General Practitioner in South Africa;
- At least 5 years of experience and registered with the medical board HPCSA or similar authoritative body;
- Must have practical experience in, and/or be able to respond to, the following fields;
- General Medicine, Dermatology, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatry and Mental Health Counselling. Secondary areas include: Emergency Management, Anaesthetics and Intensive Care, Basic Surgery, Orthopaedics, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Occupational and Industrial Medicine, Dentistry, Radiography, Physiotherapy and Sports Medicine;
- Training may be provided in some of these areas before departure;
- Applicants must provide proof of registration as a medical practitioner and details of any suspensions or other actions from relevant medical registering bodies.

Duties:

- The Medical Doctor will be the sole medical practitioner to provide complete generalist medical, surgical and emergency dental care, to about 12 expedition members for up to 15 months, at SANAE Base in Antarctica;
- This station accommodates about 12 people in winter and about 40 during summer (December to March). He/She will also be required to render occupational medicine, nutrition, preparation of first-aids kits, inventory control of pharmaceuticals and equipment;
- Medical support includes remote support from South African Military Health Service. Additionally he/she will provide instruction and advice to fellow expeditioners on matters of health, medical procedures and first-aid;
- Preparation of monthly and annual reports, do stock-takes to order supplies and equipment and do other common "non-medical" duties performed by expedition members;
- Should the incumbent present a befitting profile, he/she could be nominated as the team leader of the expedition.

NOTE: The incumbent will execute duties at an Sub/Antarctic Base and adhere to the health, safety and environmental requirements. The successful applicant will spend a full year (December 2019 to February 2021) at SANAE base. **There is no option to return to South Africa before February 2021.** The ability to work and live with small groups of people is thus essential. Although the base is well-equipped with e-mail, fax and satellite telephone facilities, the applicant has to be self-sufficient and self-motivated. The location may affect both the physical and mental well-being of the incumbent, their family and close relationships. Candidates must be physically fit, mentally strong and prepared for physically challenging and satisfying work. In addition the successful candidates may often be called upon to work long hours in extreme conditions on duties unrelated to their function. Short-listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment. Appointment to these positions is subject to a rigorous medical examination, which will be arranged for at no cost to the applicants.

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For attention: Human Resource Management

Closing date: 22 July 2019

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- All applications must be submitted on a **Z83 application form** (*click bold underlined text to download PDF form*) accompanied by certified copies of qualifications, identity document (ID) as well as a comprehensive curriculum vitae (CV) and Driver's License in order to be considered.
 - The National Department of Environmental Affairs is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer.
 - It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualification Authority (SAQA).
 - Correspondence will be limited to successful candidates only.
 - People with Disabilities are encouraged to apply
 - Short-listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment, including but not limited to: Criminal records; Citizenship status; Credit-worthiness; Previous employment (reference checks); and Qualification verification. Candidates shortlisted for the SMS post will be subjected to a technical exercise that intends to test relevant technical elements of the job.
 - Following the interview and the technical exercise, the Selection Panel will recommend candidates to attend a generic managerial competency assessment in compliance with the DPSA Directive on the implementation of competency based assessments.
 - Furthermore, the person appointed to this position will be subject to a security clearance, the signing of a performance agreement and an employment contract.
 - If you have not been contacted within three 3 months after the closing date of the advertisement, please accept that your application was unsuccessful.
 - The department reserves the right not to make an appointment.
 - Relaxation of qualification requirements may be considered for non-OSD posts
 - **Applications must be forwarded to:** The Director-General: Department of Environmental Affairs, Private Bag X4390, Cape Town, 8000 or hand-deliver to 14 Loop Street, Cape Town. No faxed, e-mailed and late applications will be considered.