Lakes District Hospital, Queenstown

Queenstown is situated 181 km north of Invercargill (approximately 2 hours 10 min drive) and is part of the Queenstown Lakes District in Central Otago.

Lakes District Hospital is situated in, Frankton, near Queenstown and services all the communities in the Queenstown Lakes District, including Garston, Kingston, Glenorchy, Queenstown, Arrowtown, and the Wakatipu Basin. Lakes District Hospital is 2 1/2 hours from our base hospital by road and 45 minutes by helicopter. There are 1 million visitors to the district annually with a permanent population of 23,000 people. It is a culturally diverse community with a large Brazilian community, Filipinos, Korean, Thai, and other South Americans.

Lakes District Hospital staff see a variety of work with up to 400 ED presentations per month with up to 50 transfers to secondary or tertiary hospitals. Lakes District Hospital consists of 21 beds, with a mix of maternity, hospital level elderly care and acute medical. Services provided include:

- 6 Disability Support Services (DSS) Long Stay Elderly Hospital Care beds
- 10 beds for Inpatient Acute Care
- 5 Maternity beds
- Level 2 emergency service that provides assessment and stabilisation
- Outpatient Clinics and Day Surgery
- 10 Specialists visit Lakes District Hospital to provide outpatient clinics and day surgery for minor procedures.
- Allied Health Services physiotherapy, occupational therapy, social work, speech language therapy and district nursing.
- Diagnostic services of radiology, bed-side ultrasound, X-Ray and laboratory are also provided. We have digital radiology at the hospital
- District Nursing
- Mammography
- Mental Health Services are co-located to the hospital and provide a wide range of services

Employment Opportunities

Within the hospital, there is a multidisciplinary team structure as well as good linkages with the local GPs, aged residential care facility (which is co-located in the same premises), needs assessment and service coordination and midwifery staff (there is a primary birthing unit at the hospital). There are also strong linkages with Southland Hospital for secondary level services and Dunedin Hospital who provide tertiary services. Staff are attracted to Queenstown (New Zealand’s adventure capital) for the outdoor oriented activities including mountain and road biking, skiing, rock climbing, tramping, camping, kayaking, and other endurance sports. We have opportunities for:

- Medical Officers Special Scale
- Nurses with at least 3 years experience (preferably in ED, ICU, CCU, theatre)
- Midwives
- Allied health professionals

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Queenstown
Queenstown is known as New Zealand’s adventure capital with its bungy jumping, jet boating, ski fields and lake. Situated at the foot of the Remarkables Mountains where the majestic Lake Wakatipu sparkles, Queenstown is also home to superb wineries producing top quality pinot noir. Queenstown has a vibrant resort town atmosphere – especially during tourist peak times. Visit www.queenstown-nz.co.nz