

# INFORMATION FOR OVERSEAS DOCTORS SEEKING RMO POSITIONS FROM AUGUST

## The Medical Year in New Zealand

The medical year in New Zealand runs from November to November for house officers and from December to December for Registrars. For the 2010 year, the dates are as follows:

### DATES FOR 2010 (DATES TO BE CONFIRMED AT END SEPTEMBER 2009)

<b>HOUSE OFFICER YEAR</b>	30/11/09	28/11/10
1ST QUARTER	30/11/09	21/02/10
2ND QUARTER	22/02/10	30/05/10
3RD QUARTER	31/05/10	22/08/10
4TH QUARTER	23/08/10	28/11/10
<b>REGISTRAR YEAR</b>	7/12/09	12/12/10
6 MONTH RUN DATES	7/12/09 14/06/10	13/06/10 12/12/10
4 MONTH RUN DATES	7/12/09 12/04/10 9/08/10	11/04/10 8/08/10 12/12/10

For most house officer positions, the year is divided into four quarters, however in the following areas rotations are for six months, from November to May and May to November:

- Anaesthesia
- Emergency Medicine
- Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Paediatrics

## Starting in August

Every year in August, we welcome a number of overseas doctors onto our staff. Because of the timing of our year, RMOs joining us in August will be joining us for the final quarter of our year. We are able to offer twelve month positions from August, however at the time of offer, only the run allocation for the August to November period may be specified. This is because the run allocations for the period beyond November (i.e. our new year) are not made until later in the year. All RMOs continuing beyond November are asked to express their run preferences for the coming year and allocations are made, based as far as possible on everyone's preferences and taking into account the needs of the organisation.

### APPLICATIONS FOR POSITIONS COMMENCING IN AUGUST 2010 WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 1 OCTOBER 2009

#### NB

Overseas doctors planning to join the staff in August and wanting to be considered for runs in the following areas from November onwards, need to ensure that they make formal application for these runs in line with [Annual Recruitment](#) (see below):

- Anaesthesia
- Emergency Medicine
- Paediatrics

## Foundation Year 2

Canterbury DHB is able to accommodate up to six F2 candidates each year. We offer the experience and supervision required by the F2 programme.

While we are able to provide documentation for deaneries, we give an undertaking to ensure suitable run allocations to F2 candidates, rather than specifying which particular runs they will be given. This is because our run allocation process is timed to fit in with our own medical year, rather than the UK's August to August timetable.

If F2 candidates are interested in working in any of the special areas listed above, they need to make application in the usual way.

## Annual Recruitment

Annual Recruitment opens in May each year. This process is separate from the application needed for an August start, with applications opened and closed well before August commencement. The dates for the year commencing November / December 2010 are as follows:

### Applications Open

New Zealand	approx 23/04/10
International	approx 8/05/10

### Applications Close

House Officers / SHOs	approx 21/06/10
Registrars	approx 07/06/10

ALL OF THE ABOVE DATES ARE STILL TO BE CONFIRMED

For those commencing as house officers from August, the following example may be helpful:

***If you have accepted a twelve month house officer position from August 2010 to August 2011 and you want to be considered for a house officer run in Emergency Medicine between November 2010 and August 2011, then you need to file a specific application for that run no later than the closing date for house officer applications shown above.***

The process can seem a bit complex, so if you are at all unsure of what to do, then please contact the RMO Unit directly to discuss your plans.

Information on the annual recruitment timetable and process is available closer to the opening date, on the RMO Page of our website: [www.cdhb.govt.nz/rmo](http://www.cdhb.govt.nz/rmo)

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