

Welcome to the third edition of your newsletter!

This last month has been a hive of activity with a huge permanent recruitment drive for HCA, the largest private hospital group in London keeping us busy. We have also attended events including: the Australian Physiotherapy Association (APA) and RANZCR medical imaging conferences, which have been a great success with lots of interest generated in working in the UK.

This month we have Scotland in the spotlight as a feature location. Our in-depth look into the region lets you see what's on offer in the north of the UK for both work and play. It's a great location to consider and will give you a completely different experience of UK culture compared to London and other areas of England.

If you are thinking of working in the UK in the first half of 2010, make sure you keep the stress down to a minimum by getting your application forms in early and letting us take care of the preparation for you.

And for those football fans amongst you, why not do a stop over in South Africa and take in some World Cup action? The first matches kick off 11th June 2010 and remember - Australia are in!



Neil Morton, Team Leader, Reed Health, Australia.

News

Competition Winner!

Congratulations to Daniel Jenkins, a physiotherapy student at Monash University and the lucky winner of our iPod Touch Refer a Friend competition.

Win an iPod Touch!

You could be the proud owner of a 16gig iPod Touch with amazing photo storage and games - the perfect travelling companion.

All you have to do to be in with a chance of winning this prize is send us the contact details and profession of any friends/colleagues who would be interested in receiving a free information pack on working in the UK.

We will then put your name in the draw - it's that simple! You can enter as many times as you like, but don't forget to get permission from the person you are recommending.

Pharmacy Technicians Registration

From 1st July 2011 it will become compulsory for pharmacy technicians to be registered with the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, please contact us or go to www.rpsgb.org.uk for more information.

Visa processing times at the British High Commission in Australia

Current processing time for most categories of entry clearance is five working days from the date the visa section in Canberra receives your paperwork.

Settlement and Certificate of Entitlement to the Right of Abode are being processed in the published target times of 12 weeks.

Frequently asked questions

A few frequently asked questions to help you prepare for your travels:

What health benefits am I entitled to whilst working in the UK on a youth mobility visa?

The health services you are entitled to in the UK depend on where you normally live. If you normally live in Australia and you are going to live, work or study in the UK, you are regarded as a UK resident and will generally be entitled to the same treatment on the National Health Service (NHS) as other UK residents.

You are covered by the reciprocal agreement between Britain and Australia. This includes people with British passports who normally live in Australia.

Do I need travel insurance?

Reciprocal Health Care Agreements do not replace the need for private travel health insurance. You are strongly recommended to take out suitable insurance covering you for the entire time you will be outside of your home country.

How can I prove I'm eligible for reciprocal healthcare?

You will need to provide local authorities with:

- A valid passport which proves you are a permanent Australian resident
- A valid Medicare card. If you do not have a valid Medicare card for your entire trip, visit a Medicare office and organise a new card before travelling overseas.

A few tips for visitors:

- Dental treatment is not covered by the reciprocal agreement
- Tell your doctor you want to be treated 'on the NHS' and not 'privately'
- Take your passport when you go to see a doctor.

The impressive view over Princes Street in Edinburgh, looking towards the Scott Monument and famous Edinburgh Castle.



Working in the North: spotlight on Scotland

Glasgow is home to the Scottish branches of Reed Health and Reed Doctor. From here we cover all of Scotland and its Islands, as well as Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man - a small isle situated in the Irish sea.

Reed Health and Reed Doctor are preferred suppliers to all 14 NHS Scottish Health Boards, alongside being suppliers to local authorities and private organisations. Our experience and expertise enables us to offer locum assignments suited to your exact requirements. Whatever role you're looking for - we can help you find it.

Scotland is a unique and incredible part of the UK with lots of exciting opportunities both work related and social. There is nowhere else in the world like Scotland, so make sure you spend some time here to experience our culture first hand during your UK adventure - you may regret it if you don't.

Within Scotland, Reed Health covers Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) and Health Service Services (HSS), and Reed Doctor covers all grades of Hospital Doctors, Resident Medical Officers and General Practitioners.

Join the revellers at a céilidh (a jolly social gathering which may include dancing).



Reed Health Team, Scotland



Left to right: Mark McIlkenny; Karen McWattie; Gary O'Gilvie; Lianne Campbell.

Reed Doctor Team, Scotland



Left to right: Caroline Russell; Lynn Jack; Clare McIntosh.

Reed Health - disciplines covered include:

Audiologists, Biomedical Scientists, Dieticians, Occupational Therapists, Pharmacists, Pharmacy Technicians, Physiotherapists, Podiatrists, Radiographers, Sonographers and Speech & Language Therapists.

Reed Doctor - disciplines covered (for both temps and perms) include:

General Practice, Accident and Emergency, Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Paediatrics, Psychiatry, Radiology and Surgical.

My experience of Scotland:

"I wanted to make the most of my UK visit by experiencing somewhere other than London. I found a position in Glasgow, Scotland, through Reed Health. When I first moved to Glasgow I didn't know anybody at all and Reed really supported me during this time. I was contacted on a regular basis to find out how I was doing with both the work and social side of things.

Spending time in Scotland is one of the best things I've done and in the end I didn't want to leave. Don't be put off by the accents, contact Reed in Scotland and head north." **Kathy Kraft, Biomedical Scientist.**

"Life in Glasgow turned out to be brilliant! The cost of living in Scotland is much cheaper than other places I have visited, so I was able to save some extra money for my European adventure."

Top Five Things To Do in Scotland

1. **Simply enjoy yourself** - eat in our great restaurants, drink in our thriving bars, dance in our trendy clubs, and shop till you drop on our amazing high streets.
2. **'Bag a Munro'** - a fantastic opportunity to climb Munro Ben Lomond Mountain guided by local National Trust for Scotland and Forestry Commission Rangers. Or just walk through the stunning hills, vales and forests at your own pace.
3. **Visit areas of unrivalled beauty** - from the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond, to the shores of Loch Ness. You could even attempt to hunt down the legendary Loch Ness Monster!
4. **Get active** - Scotland has been a key player in the history of sport by making important innovations and developments in: golf, curling, football, Highland games (contributed to the evolution of modern athletics events), shinty (the predecessor of both ice hockey and bandy), cycling (Kirkpatrick Macmillan invented the pedal bicycle) and basketball.
5. **Relax** - in Scotland we take a calm, peaceful approach to life and hope you will find the same serenity during your visit.



Relax on the beautiful eastern shore of Loch Lomond.

Why work in Scotland?

- **Low cost of living - save substantial amounts on rent, food, drink, clothing and travel compared to other UK destinations**
- **The scenery - no matter where you live or work, you are only a short trip away from breathtaking countryside**
- **Popular culture - music, sport, art, people - top class entertainment to suit everyone**
- **Independence - our independent Government supports the needs of Scotland and its residents.**

Getting out and about

Our first rate transport system makes it really easy to get around and includes Air, Rail, Bus and Ferry services.

Air

Scotland is home to six international airports: Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Inverness, Prestwick (Glasgow).

All Scottish airports operate domestic flights to other UK cities including London, Birmingham, Manchester and Leeds. Average flight time from Edinburgh or Glasgow to London is only one hour.

Rail

The reliable and extensive rail network that runs through and around Scotland provides easy access to all main cities in England and takes you from Edinburgh or Glasgow to London in around four hours.

In addition, Glasgow operates an underground service connecting many of its suburbs.

Bus/Ferry

Scotland operates local bus services all around the country and there are bus services connecting Scottish towns and cities with England including London.

In addition Scotland offers numerous Ferry services within its coastal waters connecting the many Scottish Islands to the mainland.

It even has a vehicle Ferry service sailing from Edinburgh to Belgium, allowing access to the rest of Europe by car. Bus companies run European services utilising this Ferry route.

Find out more:

The following websites will tell you everything you have ever wanted to know about Scotland - we hope they inspire you to come and work here.

Even if it is only for a few weeks or months, we are sure you will benefit tremendously from the totally unique experience of Scotland.

- www.visitscotland.com
- www.show.scot.nhs.uk
- www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Health/NHS-Scotland
- www.scotland.org/about/index
- www.glasgow.gov.uk/en/AboutGlasgow
- www.seeglasgow.com/seeglasgow

- www.edinburgh.org/guide
- www.aboutinverness.co.uk
- www.travelinescotland.com/welcome.do
- www.reedglobal.com/employer/shs/shs.php

Scotland has the potential to open your eyes to an entirely different side of the UK. Whilst London and other areas of England are bound to make up a large part of your UK experience, Scotland is a once in a lifetime opportunity that can only be fully appreciated by those willing to completely embrace our individual culture by living and working on the Scottish Isles.

The Reed Glasgow recruitment teams for Health and Doctor have placed hundreds of Australian and New Zealand allied health professionals and doctors just like you throughout Scotland and Northern Ireland who are enjoying the benefits.

So why not become one of those people who gains fantastic memories of Scotland to share with family and friends back home?

Reed Health's dedicated teams are ready and waiting to support you on the adventure of a lifetime in Scotland. From registration - to arrival: we're here to help you every step of the way.

**Interested in finding out more? Contact us today:
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