

Una

PERSONA DESCRIPTION

Una, 33, female, and single. Country of Training - Ireland, where she completed her medical degree and pre-vocational training. She is in Australia for an adventure and to gain diverse international medical experience. She is on the competent authority pathway and currently has provisional registration. Una is in the first of a 2-year gap year. She is currently working in a rural Queensland hospital but would prefer to live in a metropolitan area by the beach for the social, and city life. She has had a fairly straight forward experience as an international medical graduate — "works hard and plays hard". The feedback from her supervisors is very positive. She is making a great contribution to rural medical practice. She has learnt a lot and bridged her knowledge gaps effectively including: tropical diseases, the Australian health system and Indigenous health. She has been particularly committed to working with stolen generation patients in her health service. She was worked with leaders in her hospital to create a program to support aged Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander patients. The focus is to gain treatment on country rather than travel to a metropolitan hospital where they have little family support and may fear institutional care due to childhood trauma. Her next step is to complete her final gap year and then return to Ireland to study for her Irish College exams in radiology.

AGE GENDER RELATIONSHIP STATUS
33 Years of Age Female Single

COUNTRY OF TRAINING

Ireland

STAGE OF TRAINING

Medical degree and prevocational training completed in Ireland.

PATHWAY

COMPETENT AUTHORITY PATHWAY

MOTIVATIONS TO COME TO AUSTRALIA

For an adventure and to gain diverse international medical experience.

AUSTRALIAN WORK LOCATION

Rural Queensland – Hospital.

STRENGTHS

Has gained a good understanding of tropical diseases, the Australian health system and Indigenous health and has made a great contribution to rural health.

CHALLENGES

New Learnings - Tropical Diseases, the Australian Health System and Indigenous Health.

ASPIRATIONS

Complete final gap year and return to Ireland to study for her Irish College exams in radiology.

ENABLERS

Great supervision and rotations in radiology.