

Musa

PERSONA DESCRIPTION

Musa, 40, male, married with children is from Nigeria where he was serving a huge health community there are only 24,000 doctors available in the entire country to serve a population of 218 million people. He is a respected leader within his community.

Musa immigrated to Australia in 2022 to secure a better life for himself and his family and as a way of further supporting his extended family. He moved to a regional centre in rural Victoria. The town has a high proportion of migrants and a small but vibrant Nigerian community. He and his family integrated quickly. Musa has already established a leadership role in his new hometown - he is involved in running sporting events and a cultural exchange program. His wife is working as an accountant and his children are doing well at school.

Musa undertook the standard pathway. He had done the AMC MCQ and clinical online exams while in Nigeria. He passed both on second attempt. On arrival in Australia, he worked for a few months as a wards person - a job he took to pay the bills while he navigated Australian medical registration processes and his wife completed her accountancy practice requirements. He is now a medical officer.

Musa would like to see clearer information to help international medical graduates navigate assessment and immigration processes. He found it challenging to choose how to prepare for exams – bridging courses, Facebook groups and/or official resources. He would also like to see faster registration processes, and better inductions particularly for rural medical practice with modules on mental health and health systems.

AGE 40 Years of Age

GENDER Male

RELATIONSHIP STATUS Married with Children

COUNTRY OF TRAINING

Nigeria

STAGE OF TRAINING

Completed medical training in Nigeria and was a practicing doctor.

PATHWAY



MOTIVATIONS TO COME TO AUSTRALIA

To secure a better life for himself and his family and to further support his extended family.

AUSTRALIAN WORK LOCATION

In a large rural hospital in Regional Victoria.

STRENGTHS

Strong leadership skills within his community and in the Australian context. High degree of adaptability and strong clinical skills, in depth understanding of child health and generalist skills.

CHALLENGES

He found it challenging to choose how to prepare for his exams.

ASPIRATIONS

Support his extended family more and gain a better life for his family.

ENABLERS

He would like to see clearer immigration and assessment information for international medical graduates. He would also like to see faster registration processes, and better inductions particularly for rural medical practice with modules on mental health and health systems.

