



environmental affairs

Department:
Environmental Affairs
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION: Must be submitted on a Z83 form with a copy of a comprehensive CV, certified copies of qualifications and ID document in order to be considered, and forwarded for the Director-General, Department of Environmental Affairs, **Private Bag X4390, Cape Town, 8000 or hand-deliver to 14 Loop Street, Cape Town, Attention: Human Resources.** The National Department of Environmental Affairs is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualification Authority (SAQA). Correspondence will be limited to successful candidates only. If you have not been contacted within three 3 months after the closing date of the advertisement, please accept that your application was unsuccessful. The Department reserves the right not to appoint.

POST: **MEDICAL DOCTOR: ANTARCTICA (15 MONTHS CONTRACT)**
REF:
SALARY:
CENTRE: **CAPE TOWN**

REQUIREMENTS: In possession of a relevant medical qualification recognised to practice as a General Practitioner in South Africa. At least 5 years of experience and registered with the medical board HPCSA or similar authoritative body. Must have practical experience in, and/or be able to respond to, the following fields. General Medicine, Dermatology, Ophthalmology, ENT, Psychiatry and Mental Health Counselling. Secondary areas include: Emergency Management, Anaesthetics and Intensive Care, Basic Surgery, Orthopaedics, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Occupational and Industrial Medicine, Dentistry, Radiography, Physiotherapy and Sports Medicine. Training may be provided in some of these areas before departure. Applicants must provide proof of registration as a medical practitioner and details of any suspensions or other actions from relevant medical registering bodies.

The Medical Doctor will be the sole medical practitioner to provide complete generalist medical, surgical and emergency dental care, to about 12 expedition members for up to 15 months, at SANAE Base in Antarctica. This station accommodates about 12 people in winter and about 40 during summer (December to March). He/She will also be required to render occupational medicine, nutrition, preparation of first-aids kits, inventory control of pharmaceuticals and equipment. Medical support includes remote support from South African Military Health Service. Additionally he/she will provide instruction and advice to fellow expeditioners on matters of health, medical procedures and first-aid. Preparation of monthly and annual reports, do stock-takes to order supplies and equipment and do other common "non-medical" duties performed by expedition members. Should the incumbent present a befitting profile, he/she could be nominated as the team leader of the expedition.

NOTE: The incumbent will execute duties at the Antarctic Base and adhere to the health, safety and environmental requirements. The location may affect both the physical and mental well-being of the incumbent, their family and close relationships. Candidates must be physically fit and mentally strong and prepared for physically challenging and satisfying work. In addition the successful candidates may often be called upon to work long hours in extreme conditions on duties unrelated to their function. Shortlisted candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment. Appointment to these positions is subject to a rigorous medical examination, which will be arranged for at no cost to the applicants.

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