



We're building healthier communities.

Welcome to **Gove District Hospital**

The Gove Peninsula, situated at the far north east end of Arnhem Land, is one of the last true wildernesses with sandy beaches, great fishing and diving and an abundance of flora and fauna.

Gove District Hospital, located in Nhulunbuy, provides acute care for 16,000 people in the East Arnhem region. Our catchment area covers 6,400 square kilometres, from Milingimbi in the west to Groote Eylandt in the south east.

Most of our patients live in one of 12 main East Arnhem communities, or outlying small Aboriginal homelands on the mainland or nearby islands.

The hospital employs 45 nurses who thrive on the unique opportunity to work closely with Aboriginal people.

Caring for our communities

We provide diagnostic and acute care for both inpatients and outpatients. Our hospital has 30 beds and is well equipped to provide a high standard of care to residents of Nhulunbuy and the region.

Patient services include:

Midwifery
Emergency Department
Paediatrics
Outpatient Department
Medical
Surgical
Operating Theatre
Day Procedure Unit

Our hospital doctors provide routine medical visits to remote Aboriginal communities and assist with the emergency aerial evacuation of clients from these communities. Support services at the hospital include radiography, pharmacy, physiotherapy, pathology, occupational therapy, speech therapy and dietetics.

Specialist medical services

Gove District Hospital provides visiting specialist medical services including physicians, surgeons, paediatricians, ENT specialists, gynaecologists and ophthalmologists.

Great salary & benefits

In addition to salaries among the highest in Australia, up to seven weeks annual leave and salary sacrificing options are available. We offer many other attractive conditions and benefits such as:

- The equivalent of one airfare to Darwin for each six months of service plus two days travel allowance for each airfare
- Perishable food allowance
- Professional development allowance after one year of service, commencing with \$300 a year and increasing \$600 a year after five years of service
- Post-graduate allowance for formal qualifications such as midwifery, accident and emergency, occupational therapy and critical care.

We also provide a range of very affordable accommodation options for our nurses, starting from \$35 a week. You can choose from rooms in the hospital quarters, flats, single story units and houses provided by NT Housing.

Staff training

The hospital's Workforce Development Unit offers many training and education programs. All nurses have access to a comprehensive in-service education program, with courses in midwifery, orthopaedic nursing, neonatal nursing, paediatrics, some aspects of critical care, advanced obstetric life support and advanced cardiac life support.

Making the move easy

Once you've decided to join us, our administration staff will work with you to ensure your move is as easy as possible.

As well as offering financial support for relocation, we also provide a comprehensive orientation program that involves Aboriginal cultural awareness. You'll also find a supportive social environment at Gove District Hospital, and will be part of a fantastic team of people who share a passion for working with and learning from Aboriginal people in the region.

About Gove & Nhulunbuy

The township of Nhulunbuy sits at the point where the Gulf of Carpentaria meets the Arafura Sea, in the heart of the Gove Peninsula. An attractive mining town, Nhulunbuy is also the administrative centre for the East Arnhem Region, and home to about 3,800 people and the Gove District Hospital.

Nhulunbuy has all the facilities and services of a modern seaside town including public and private schools, access to university training, two major supermarkets, clothing and specialty shops and retailers. It is also home to a nine-hole golf course, a sailing and yacht club and Aboriginal arts and crafts centres. We have the perfect base for exploring the region by air, boat and four wheel drive. We encourage our staff to make the most of the local tour options.

The Gove Peninsula is internationally renowned as an excellent blue-water sports and reef fishing location and, between September and March, snorkelling and scuba diving on the nearby coral reefs are popular past-times for many hospital staff and other residents. Camping is also a very popular activity.

Getting there & away

Access to Nhulunbuy is by air, with Qantas operating daily flights into Gove from Cairns and Darwin. A dirt road into Nhulunbuy is open in the dry season generally from April/May until December. It is suited for four wheel drives only, and a permit is required for road access.

An enviable climate

Our climate is world famous. For six months of the year – from May until October – you'll experience sunny, warm days and bright cool nights. From November until April, the region comes alive with the sites, sounds and smells of tropical rain and spectacular electrical storms – perfect relief from the humidity during this period.

Want to know more?

If you're considering joining our team at Gove District Hospital, we suggest you check out our nursing web site at www.nursing.nt.gov.au

Information about Gove and Nhulunbuy is available at www.travelnt.com/regions

Alternatively, call our nursing recruitment hotline today on **1800 000 648** or email us at nursinginfo.ths@nt.gov.au

Our staff will answer any questions you have about living in Nhulunbuy and working at our hospital.