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REGISTERED NURSE: ST MARYS

ABOUT ST MARYS

St Marys is a small township which has a rich heritage and remarkable scenery. It features beautiful beaches, nearby waterfalls, the Douglas Apsley National Park and an attraction for bushwalking and fishing.

ABOUT RURAL PLACEMENTS

A rural placement offers you:

- First-hand experience of a rural lifestyle and work environment
- Exposure to a more diverse range of experiences
- Extra support including learning and teaching, social and accommodation support
- Opportunities to connect with other students
- Potential job opportunities – there is a shortage of rural health professionals ... experiencing rural practice and engaging with the community could entice you to work here
- An opportunity for so many great experiences and to see and do things that you otherwise might not.

ABOUT ME

I have been registered as a general nurse and midwife since 1974. My practice base is Remote Area Nursing. I was also a lecturer in nursing in the higher education sector for more than 30 years. I now work at St Marys Community Health Centre, which provides 8 acute/palliative care beds, an outpatient and emergency service, physiotherapy and visiting services. Other services include community nursing, day centre and home help/personal care.

RURAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS

YOUR WHOLE OF COMMUNITY FACILITATOR

The University's College of Health and Medicine has engaged part-time Whole of Community Facilitators in rural and remote communities across Tasmania.

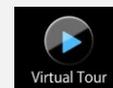
Our role is to provide local support for you to get the most from your rural placement and to enjoy the opportunity to live and work in our community. We are here to guide and mentor you while you are on placement and to support you in your learning.

This may include:

LEARNING SUPPORT	RESOURCES	SOCIAL SUPPORT
Helping you with your learning strategies and plans	Helping you access the resources you need	Showing you where things are and how to get around
Making sure you have access to one-on-one support	Arranging orientation tours of the facility that is hosting you on placement	Helping you work out what to do while you are here
Liaising with your supervisor/preceptor or Unit Coordinator – either with you, or on your behalf	Providing lists of key contacts at the University and in the community and who are the “go to” people if you have any issues or problems	Putting you in touch with other students on placement in your local placement environment
In some cases we may be involved in your supervision and assessment – either directly or indirectly		

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