



## MARK SCHULZ

REGISTERED NURSE, FLINDERS ISLAND

### ABOUT FLINDERS ISLAND

*Flinders Island is located in Bass Strait. It has a small community of around 800 people who are predominantly farmers of sheep and cattle. It is a spectacular island surrounded by many beaches and full of friendly locals and wildlife.*

### 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 moved from Hobart and have lived on Flinders Island for five years. I work as a RN and WOCF at the Flinders Island Multipurpose Centre*

*Previously I have worked in multiple Emergency departments around Australia.*

*I love the island for all the nature and outdoor experiences it has to offer. I enjoy fishing and diving, swimming in the ocean and spending time with my family.*

## 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

Helping you with your learning strategies and plans

Making sure you have access to one-on-one support

Liaising with your supervisor/preceptor or Unit Coordinator – either with you, or on your behalf

In some cases we may be involved in your supervision and assessment – either directly or indirectly

#### RESOURCES

Helping you access the resources you need

Arranging orientation tours of the facility that is hosting you on placement

Providing lists of key contacts at the University and in the community who are the "go to" people if you have any issues or problems

#### SOCIAL SUPPORT

Showing you where things are and how to get around

Helping you work out what to do while you are here

Putting you in touch with other students on placement in our community

### CONTACT INFORMATION



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