

HRI Ltd Newsletter

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Changing seasons, changing jobs?

It's hard to believe that another quarter has passed us by and it's already time for HRI Ltd's second newsletter!

For those of us in the Northern hemisphere, the leaves are starting to fall, there's a certain chill in the air and we're beginning to panic as we realise that the end of the year is looming with its various holiday celebrations and all that that entails. Once we get used to the idea however, it's nice when the weather begins to draw in and we can wrap up warm and perhaps indulge a taste for slightly stodgier food at the thought of the next few months of heavy coats and scarves! For those of you in the Southern hemisphere, lucky things, you'll be looking forward to sun, sea and outdoor dining no doubt and an end to wintry blues for 2005. Who knows, during the next quarter some of you may be exchanging one hemisphere for the other and seeing how the other half live and we at HRI Ltd would like to help you in that process. For those of you that don't have to circumnavigate the globe in order to realise your working ambitions, you are lucky in one sense but there's nothing like leaving everything you've ever known behind and setting out boldly for unknown lands. It's character-building!

Smoking ban in Public places in the UK?

Now, we all know that smoking is not clever or filled with health-giving properties but I'm guessing there are a few of you out there that indulge anyway. There's nothing like a fag at the end of a stressful day and we all have to have our little vices, even you healthcare professionals. So, you may or may not be interested to know that legislation to ban smoking in public places is currently being discussed in parliament and it is a hotly debated topic, as you might expect. Tempers are running high, strongly-felt opinions are flying around and no-one can say which way it will go. Why not let us know if you have a definite opinion on the issue? It won't make any difference to the final outcome but we at HRI Ltd are deeply interested in canvassing views among our applicants and we might even print some of your more passionate responses in the next issue!

Newsflash

Physiotherapists have recently been removed from the Home Office's list of Healthcare Shortage Occupations. This will make it more difficult, but not impossible, to obtain work permits for those physiotherapists living outside the EEA. If you are in this position and are still keen to come and work in the UK, get in touch with us at admin@hriconsult.com and we can discuss the situation and how it may affect your chances of finding employment.

Health News

The National Health Service is experiencing financial cutbacks at the present time due to the pressure from Government departments to 'break even' and make savings of millions of pounds before March 2006. To this end, hospital departments' main aim, apart from looking after patients, is to save money and consequently a lot have introduced recruitment freezes. Which is not good for you or us. However, this is only a temporary measure that will not last longer than a month or two and not all hospitals are in the same boat. So we will keep making an effort on your behalf and hope to get you jobs soon. You can help us by letting us know if your circumstances have changed and if you are still interested in developing your careers in the UK.

The West Country

The West country incorporates Somerset, Devon and Cornwall and is located in the south west 'foot' of the country. It is the part of England which has the best weather, the best beaches, the best food, the best surf, the best cream teas, the best music festival (Glastonbury, famous for hippies and mud) and the best cider, according to residents and a lot of visitors. It boasts the English Riviera at Torquay, also famous as the setting for Fawlty Towers (a cult 70s TV comedy classic), a selection of interesting accents, Tintagel castle where King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table roamed in days of old and wild and windswept moors where unexpected beasts are said to wander. It also has a colourful history as a centre of smuggling in the 18th century when taxes were high and the taste for luxury goods was also. A favourite spot for English people to take their annual family holidays, it has something for everyone and should not be missed. As well as all this, it has a lot of large hospitals with staffing shortages and if we were to help find you a job here you could have an enviable lifestyle while making a significant difference to the health and wellbeing of the citizens in this lovely part of England.

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