

Life's good in Hobart

THE diverse activities — particularly bushwalking and cycling — available in Tasmania and the guarantee of an emergency role in medicine were the key reasons Dr Raja Seelamanthula (right) moved to Hobart.



Seelamanthula was born in Andhra Pradesh, India, graduated from Kathmandu Medical College, Nepal, and has worked in the UK and now Tasmania. He has always wanted to specialise in emergency medicine.

“I’ve been in Hobart a year now and, provided I pass my emergency management exams in September, I will be able to spend another two years in this wonderful city,” Seelamanthula says.

The 34-year-old was able to step right into a preferred role at the Royal Hobart Hospital.

“As one of the emergency medicine registrars, I have really flexible

rotation options, including intensive care, pediatrics, anaesthetics and general medicine,” he says.

Seelamanthula says one advantage of moving to Tasmania is being able to work at the state’s only tertiary referral hospital, the Royal Hobart.

“I was attracted to Tasmania because I didn’t need to wait to gain a position in my preferred specialty,” he says. “I have better control over my professional and personal life and have been able to effectively plan my career path much sooner.”

Seelamanthula’s wife, Swapna, is hoping to gain a resident position at the Royal Hobart later this year.

For them and their one-year-old son, life in Hobart provides many opportunities, socially, professionally and financially.



Close friends: Suj Krishnamoorthy and Robert Smithers live just across the road from Launceston General.

Just what the doctors ordered

LAUNCESTON General Hospital intern Dr Robert Smithers boasts that it is a shorter walk from his house to the wards than from the wards to the cafeteria.

At the start of his internship, Smithers found an affordable house in the same street as the

hospital. Apart from only having to cross the road to work, a bonus was a studio in the back yard, which he rents to good friend and fellow intern Suj Krishnamoorthy.

The pair are graduates of the University of Tasmania’s School of Medicine and are spending

their last two years at the Launceston Clinical School, where they opted to stay for their internships.

Apart from the convenience of living over the road, both are adamant that staying at the hospital for their internships was the right decision in every way.



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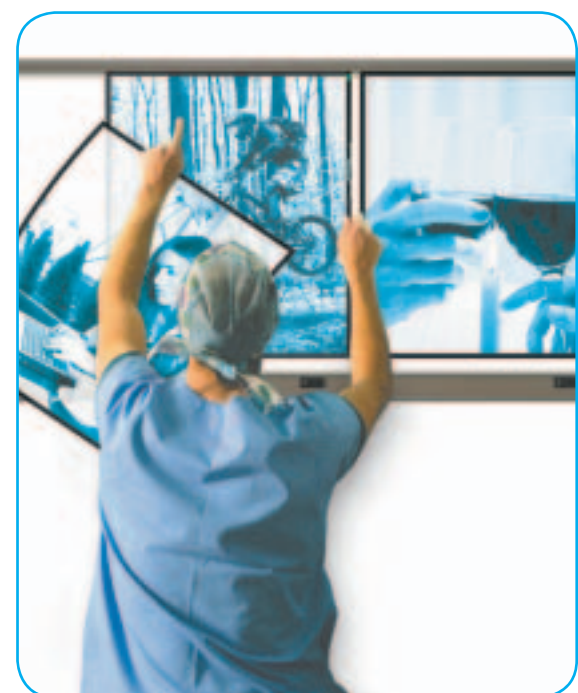
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