We currently have 6 General Practices. The profile for each Practice is detailed below.

**University Health Medical Practice**

The University Health Practice is situated in the Central Business District of Adelaide in the North Terrace “garden” campus of the University of Adelaide.

The Practice opened in 2001 under the name of Parklands Medical Practice. In 2002 the Practice took over the contract for providing a medical service to the students and staff at the University of Adelaide and moved to the University campus.

During 2006 renovations were undertaken to modernise the premises. In addition the name of the Practice was changed to better reflect the role of the Practice within the University.

Currently the Practice has six consulting rooms and one treatment room. It has 10 general practitioners made up of full and part time doctors, & one registrar. There are also two gastroenterologists who consult on average three times per week.

The Practice is AGPAL accredited and employs highly trained staff consisting of a Practice Manager, three nurses (two being on duty every day), three receptionists, a practice assistant and an audio typist.

The Practice is open from 8.30 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday. The practice does not open after hours or during weekends as there is a locum service available and the Royal Adelaide Hospital is in close proximity for emergencies.

The practice has a key teaching and training focus and all doctors are encouraged to participate in the supervision of 3rd and 5th year medical students during the students’ rotational placements.

Whilst the majority of the Practice’s patient load is University of Adelaide students and staff, the Practice also sees members of the general public. This provides a greater variety of medical issues to be dealt with. There is a high degree of immunisations and travel vaccines undertaken as well as some minor procedures, plus a large amount of medicine dealing with sexual health, mental health and chronic disease.

**Gawler Place Medical Practice**

Our Gawler Place Medical Practice is a well-established General Practice which is located in the “shopping heart” of Adelaide’s Central Business District.

The Practice primarily offers medical services to those persons working, living and studying in the Adelaide Central Business District.

The Practice, which is AGPAL accredited, currently consists of one full time general practitioner and six part-time general practitioners.

The Practice also has a number of allied health professionals who are available to see clients. These allied health professionals comprise two Psychologists, a Physiotherapist, an Exercise Physiologist, a Dietician and a Podiatrist.

The Practice includes a pathology collection centre which is open each weekday morning.
The Practice has a teaching and training focus and our health professionals supervise students during students’ rotational placements.

The Practice is opened from 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday, and there is a locum service available to patients for after-hours patient care, with the Royal Adelaide Hospital in close proximity for emergencies.

Our health professionals are well supported by a nursing and administrative team consisting of a practice manager, a registered nurse and three part-time receptionists.

Our current doctors have particular interests in asthma, child & mother health, obstetrics, diabetes, family medicine, geriatric medicine, men's health, mental health, occupational health, sexual health, travel medicine and women's health.

**North Haven Clinic**

North Haven is a beachside suburb 30mins north west of Adelaide city, on the Le Fevre Peninsula. The homes in this area range from stately grand houses to family homes and units, elderly citizen complexes as well as Housing SA tenanted homes and units.

The area offers a wide range of sporting activities and clubs including tennis, bowls, cricket, football, netball and also 3 sailing clubs including Cruising Yacht Club of SA. There is also a 9-hole golf course.

Schools in the area include several primary schools, 2 high schools, 1 Christian College and several kindergartens and day care centres for pre-schoolers. Schools such as Immanuel College, St Michael’s College and Nazareth College have dedicated school buses in this area to collect children and bring them back after school.

Transport links in the area are good with both train and bus travel to the city as well as good bus links to West Lakes and Glenelg.

The Le Fevre Peninsula is a vibrant community hosting many community functions throughout the year including a Greek Festival weekend, music festivals and a kite festival along its beautiful beaches. There are a number of restaurants and specialty shops along its well-known Semaphore Rd and the dining options include Thai, Indian, Italian, Greek and Spanish Tapas.

North Haven Clinic was started in 1982 by Drs Paul Flaherty and Peter Gill who are both still practicing there today. Many of their original patients still attend along with their children and grandchildren. The receptionists are long serving employees and are well known and liked by the community.

North Haven Clinic looks after a wide range of patients from babies being vaccinated for the 1st time to many elderly patients in residential care. Its doctors attend to patients in 4 nearby nursing homes and also do home visits to some infirm and disabled patients in their own homes or assisted living institutions.

Specialist support is available at the nearby Queen Elizabeth Specialist Centre at Woodville and at Western Hospital. Radiology is offered 10 mins away at Radiology SA and 3 pathology services collect daily from our clinic. The clinic also has a physiotherapist, massage therapist and dietician who use rooms at the Clinic on a regular basis.
also 2 contracted nurses who assist the doctors by preparing care plans for patients, including health checks for 4 year olds, chronic disease care plans, health checks for patients in the 45 to 49 age bracket & health checks for patients older than 75.

North Haven Clinic is a purpose built, AGPAL accredited practice with room to accommodate additional doctors.

Over the last 10 years many of the local general practitioners in the community have retired. The Practice & local community would welcome a new medical practitioner and his/her family.

**Highbury Family Practice Unit**

Highbury is a well-established suburb in the North Eastern suburbs of Adelaide. It is 14 km from Adelaide’s Central Business District and has a wide range of services including major shopping centres, restaurants, recreation facilities and the Linear Park nearby.

There are many schools in the area and bus links to all the major private schools. The practice is on the major bus route which connects to the high speed O'Bahn Busway.

The Practice has a strong focus on Research and Teaching in association with the University of Adelaide. It was established in 1979 as a pioneer project by Professor Timothy Murrell in conjunction with the Department of Community Medicine of the University of Adelaide.

The Practice continues to enjoy very strong links with the Department of General Practice, University of Adelaide. These links mean that the Practice is involved with undergraduate teaching of medical students from the University of Adelaide. It is also an accredited teaching Practice with the Adelaide to Outback GP Training Program and as such accommodates several registrars each year. It also has been involved with the University of Adelaide in a number of research projects.

Currently the Practice has 13 full or part time doctors, 3 registered nurses and 6 support staff along and a range of allied health professionals. These allied health professionals include a psychologist, physiotherapist and grief counsellor. In addition the Practice has 2 visiting specialists – a general surgeon & a gastroenterologist.

The Practice is also involved with the International Health & Medical Services program for refugees.

The Practice’s patient profile is varied ranging from families to elderly clients living alone or in supported accommodation. In addition we see a number of international students.

**Unihealth Playford Medical Centre**

The Unihealth Playford Medical Centre is situated in the Northern suburbs of Adelaide approximately 45 mins from Adelaide’s Central Business District.

The area was originally established in the early 1950s to assist with the State’s economic development and to deal with the subsequent housing shortage that was occurring. In more recent times a large number of suburban housing estates have been developed and built. In addition many of the older suburbs have been upgraded. The driving force behind this more
recent development has once again been population growth coupled with land shortages closer to Adelaide.

The local community now comprises a wide variety of cultures and backgrounds with approximately 30% of the population having been born outside Australia. This variety offers a rich cultural mix which is reflected in the wide variety of community based programmes and events.

The new Northern Expressway has considerably reduced the travelling time to the Northern area for those who are travelling from the western or near northern suburbs.

The area is currently attracting newly married couples and young families, who are building in the new estates. New shopping centres and parklands are being built to accommodate the demand. The Local Council has forecast that in the next 3 years the population is estimated to grow by 100,000. Such growth will be associated with commensurate growth in local businesses.

New schools have been built to cope with the influx of children and older schools have been upgraded.

Transport is close by with bus links to all suburbs and with a train link to Adelaide’s Central Business District.

The Unihealth Playford Medical Centre is a modern, state of the art site of excellence in primary health care service delivery and health professional education, training and research. It operates with an integrated multi-disciplinary focus & as such brings together general practitioners, practice nurses, allied health professionals and local organisations to deliver primary health care that is tailored to the needs and priorities of the local community.

It provides a strong focus on chronic disease prevention and management, as well as economies of scale in the delivery of high quality health care.

The Centre was purpose built to exacting standards with a grant from the Federal Government. It opened in May 2011 and currently comprises 10 general practitioners, 4 psychologists, 4 nurses & a wide variety of allied health professionals including psychologists, podiatrists, dieticians, physiotherapists & exercise physiologists. In addition it has a number of visiting medical specialists and on site pathology and radiology services.

The Centre boasts the latest technical equipment, state of the art observation area for clinical research, teaching, education and training. It has 4 Treatment rooms, a lifestyle gymnasium and purpose built training kitchen for better education in healthy eating.

One of the Centre’s primary aims is to teach and train future health professionals in General Practice within a fully working multi-disciplinary medical centre.

The Centre is open 7 days a week and offers after hours consults until 9.00pm Monday to Friday.

The clinic is fully accredited with AGPAL.
Minlaton Medical Centre

Minlaton is a country town approximately 200 kilometres from Adelaide & centrally located on the Yorke Peninsula in South Australia. The town is close to coastal areas which are approximately 30 kilometres away to both the east & west. Coastal towns within this region are noted for their excellent fishing catches both from the beach or jetty or by boat.

Minlaton itself has a population of about 1,000 people but it also services surrounding towns. The surrounding towns bring Minlaton’s catchment area to approximately 5,000 people.

The main industry in the district is livestock farming (cattle & sheep) & crop growing (wheat).

Minlaton is serviced by 2 banks, 2 supermarkets, a local post office, hotel, pharmacy, veterinary service and a variety of smaller shops. There is also a high care nursing home in the town as well as an aged care hostel

Local schooling provides schooling from reception to year 12. In addition there is a kindergarten in the town.

The town is well serviced with sporting facilities including a sporting club & 18 hole golf course. Sports on offer include tennis, hockey, basketball, netball, football, indoor soccer, table tennis, polocrosse, cricket, bowls & golf.

The Minlaton Medical Centre is a well-established General Practice which is highly regarded by the local community. It has strong links to the University of Adelaide and is involved in the teaching of rural orientated general practice to medical students.

The Centre has an arrangement with Country Health SA to operate and manage a 24 hour Accident & Emergency Unit. This Unit is attached to the Minlaton Medical Centre and the service it provides is highly valued by the local community given the fact that there is no hospital in the town. The nearest hospital is the Yorketown Hospital which is approximately 30 kilometres away. All the Centre’s doctors have admitting rights to the Yorketown Hospital.

The Centre currently has 4 general practitioners. It also employs registered nurses who work both at the Centre and in the Accident & Emergency Unit. Both the doctors and nurses are required to participate in the relevant on call rosters.

The Minlaton Medical Centre caters for a wide range of patients from the new born to the elderly as well as any emergency case which presents at the Accident & Emergency Unit.

There are also a wide range of visiting specialists and allied health services that visit Minlaton on a sessional basis.