



Media Release

BOORT PUSH FOR DOCTORS

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Boort District Health is working to secure a long-term medical presence in the town, following an announcement that the local GP clinic is closing from 1 November 2018.

GPs from St Anthony Family Medical Practice have operated the Boort Medical Practice clinic and provided Visiting Medical Officer services at the hospital since 2006. Boort District Health acknowledges the services that St Anthony Family Medical Practice staff have provided in Boort. In particular, Boort District Health recognises and appreciates the extensive efforts of the practice directors, Dr Adel Asaid, Dr Eji Ekeanyanwu and Dr Poate Radrekusa, in supporting the local provision of medical services.

The Boort District Health board is now working on options to attract a doctor or doctors to relocate to Boort, or to make appropriate arrangements with hospitals or GP practices in surrounding towns. Boort District Health is firmly committed to achieving the best possible outcome for our community.

St Anthony Family Medical Group is also working closely with Boort District Health on options for the continued provision of medical services in Boort and we are appreciative of their assistance.

Boort District Health is currently exploring options for a subcontracted clinic arrangement with another corporate GP practice or shared arrangements with neighboring health services. It has also enlisted the support of the Rural Workforce Agency Victoria to actively recruit new GPs.

Regular updates will be issued to ensure our community remains fully informed regarding any future arrangements.

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