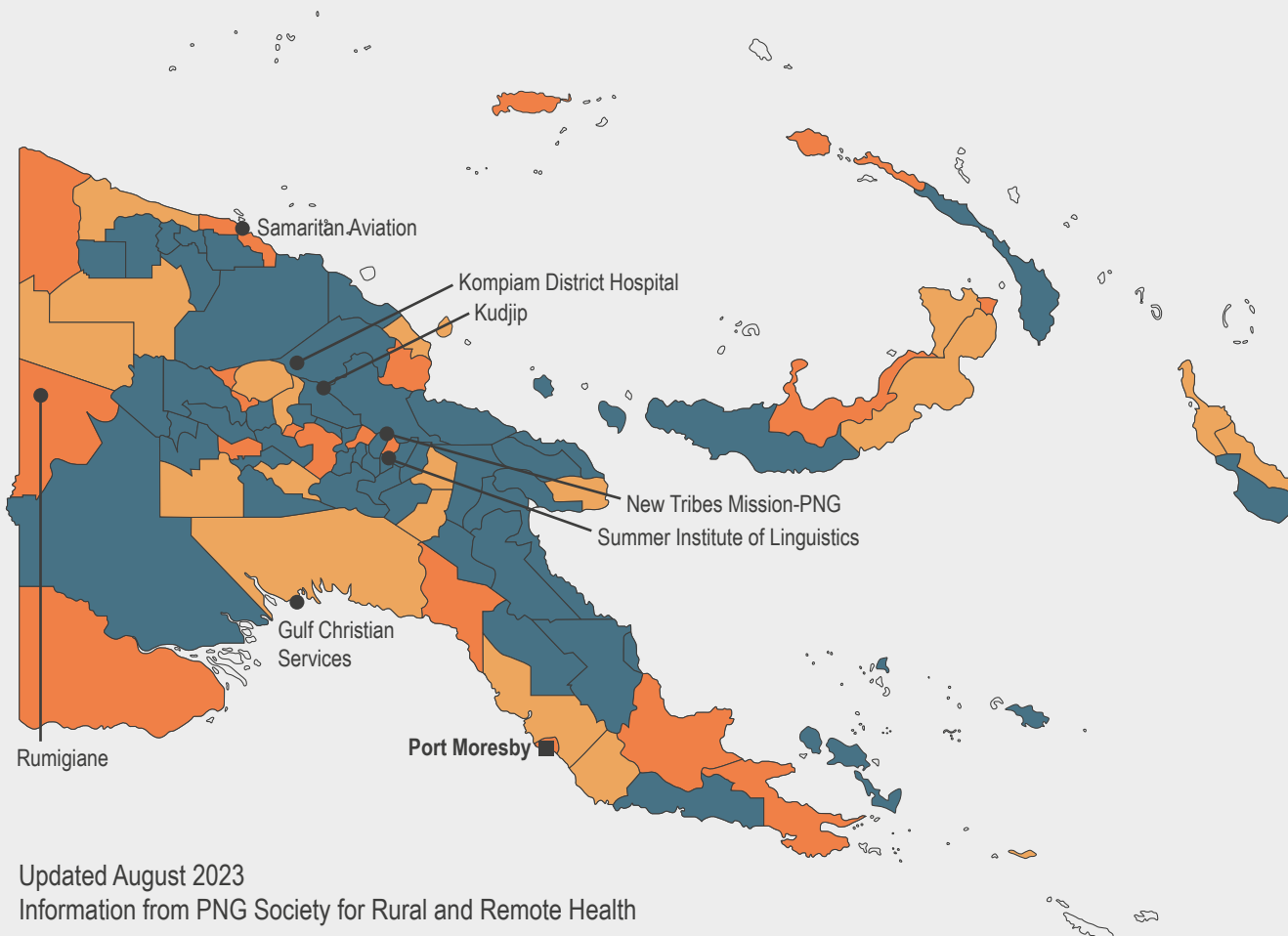




# Medical Mission Opportunities in Papua New Guinea

## Borders without doctors

■ No doctors   ■ 1 – 2 doctors   ■ > 2 doctors



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## Papua New Guinea and the Mission Assignment

### General facts

- One of the world's largest islands
- Located north of Australia
- Home to 9.9 million people
- The most linguistically diverse country with about 850 language groups
- 300 language groups with no Bible translation
- Melanesian culture is friendly, welcoming and community-orientated
- Tribal fighting and problems with law and order in parts of the country

### Medical facts

- One doctor for approx. 17,000 patients
- Doctors primarily in urban areas
- Major medical issues include infectious diseases (malaria, TB and HIV)
- Difficult to access maternity services, trauma care, child healthcare and non-communicable disease treatment

### Your work

- Raise support/funding to come
  - This is daunting but possible!
- Apply at least 9 months before you come for medical or nursing registration
- Be willing to learn the language and culture in order to communicate well with patients
- Commitment for 1+ years
- Depend on the Lord, be humble and willing to learn from others
- Be flexible and patient

### These Mission Agencies

- Have an evangelical focus
- May offer guidance to help you raise support/funding
- May offer a pre-field orientation
- Provide training and valuable practical support during a placement
- Some have the capacity for medical elective students at different points of the year
- A short "vision trip" is possible



## Location

## Description

## Opportunities

## Contact

### Gulf Christian Services

Kapuna & Kikori Hospitals  
Gulf Province

- Rural hospital and community development
- Community health worker training school

- Healthcare workers

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### Kompam District Hospital

Enga Baptist Health Service  
Enga Province

- Rural hospital with surrounding primary care clinics
- Clinical training school

- Junior doctors with two years of experience following graduation
- Senior nurses with previous cross cultural experience

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### Kudjip

Nazarene General Hospital  
Jiwaka Province

- Regional/Provincial hospital with surgical services
- Nursing school

- Family Medicine / General Surgery / Obstetrics / Emergency Medicine / Pediatrics / Internal Medicine
- We also occasionally have a need for Orthopedists and ENTs

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### New Tribes Mission-PNG

Medical and Dental Clinics  
Eastern Highlands Province

- Primary care clinic focused on missionary health in order to support church planting teams
- Emergency medicine and medevacs as needed in that care
- Opportunity for rural patrols and vaccination clinics
- Known as Ethnos360 in other countries

- Family Medicine / General Practice Doctors / Nurses / Physiotherapists / Dentists / Licensed Dental Hygienists
- Physician short and long-term opportunities
- Nurse minimum 1-year opportunities
- Dentistry short and long-term opportunities

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### Rumginae Hospital

Evangelical Church of Papua  
New Guinea Health Service  
Western Province

- Rural hospital with surrounding primary care clinics
- Community health worker training school
- Nursing school

- Experienced doctors with previous cross cultural experience for minimal stay of three months
- Nurse educators for minimal stay of two years

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### Samaritan Aviation

Wewak  
East Sepik Province

- Medevacs / rural patrols / vaccination outreach / trauma healing training / evangelism and hospital visitation

- Medical Director (RN minimum requirement)
- Registered nurses

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### Summer Institute of Linguistics

Medical and Dental Clinic  
Ukurumpa, Kainantu  
Eastern Highlands Province

- Primary care clinic supporting Bible translation teams and serving the local area
- Known as Wycliffe in other countries

- Physicians / PAs / Nurses / Physios / Dentists / Occupational Therapists / Speech Therapists / Lab Techs / Nurse Practitioners / Pharmacists / Dental Hygienists

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>> [www.wycliffe.org](http://www.wycliffe.org)  
>> **YouTube: PNG Recruitment**

### Youth With a Mission Medical Ships

Based out of Townsville, Australia

- Visits coastal parts of PNG

- General Practitioners / Nurses / Midwives / Dentists / Eye Surgeons / General Volunteers
- For short trips of a few weeks

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>> We need any kind of medical professional who is flexible, gritty, emotionally and spiritually resilient, and grace-filled.  
(Summer Institute of Linguistics)