



Treating the patient is only half the solution: seeking sustainable solutions—Australian Doctors International in PNG

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Australian Doctors International (ADI) is a not-for-profit organisation with 12 years' experience providing health services in remote and rural regions of Papua New Guinea. Initially ADI viewed its role as treating patients and saving lives. However, we've since moved away from this medical 'welfare' approach and instead adopted a health 'development' approach that addresses the underlying systemic problems and structural reforms needed to achieve sustainable community-based change.

Treating the patient is only half of the equation. Finding sustainable solutions is paramount, whether through building the capacity of local health staff, introducing family planning programs, rolling out public health initiatives or ensuring access to basic resources.

Help us decide—is ADI making a difference and is progress possible?