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LOCAL TRAVEL MEDICINE CLINIC PASSING THE TEST

Brisbane CBD is set to boast the most qualified team of travel medical experts in Australia with four nurses and a doctor from one local practice having recently sat the internationally accredited 'Certificate of Knowledge in Travel Medicine' exam.

The five who sat the exam all work at Dr Deb's – The Travel Doctor clinic in Adelaide Street in the city and join an elite group of only 1100 medical practitioners worldwide who have sought accreditation (six of whom are other staff from Dr Deb's clinic).

With 11 of the total 1100 accredited practitioners working for Dr Deb, Exam Coordinator Brenda Bagwell from the International Society of Travel Medicine in the USA, reported that Dr Deb's staff represented one percent of all people who had sat the test internationally and had the highest number of staff from a single private practice to have taken the exam in Australia and possibly the world.

The four hour exam, which was held in Melbourne last week, was sat approximately 100 people and held for the first time in the Southern Hemisphere as part of the Asia Pacific International Conference on Travel Medicine.

Dr Deb and her staff give often life-saving advice to more than 10,000 travellers each year through the two practices based in the Brisbane CBD and in Stafford.

"We're at the hub of travel medicine in Australia so our clinic staff are committed to ongoing education and this is one of the few exams in travel medicine available," Dr Deb said.

As a pioneer within the travel medicine field, Dr Deborah Mills, has practiced in the area of travel medicine for 20 years and is also the author of Australia's most popular medical travel book 'Travelling Well' which is in its fourteenth edition and has 125,000 copies in print.

Results for the exam will be published in eight weeks' time.

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