

## RE: Housing for Medical Centre Staff

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From: Peter Bentley (ceo@goomalling.wa.gov.au)

To: goomarates1@yahoo.com

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Hello Adam,

Sorry for the delay in replying, I have been away from work following surgery to both knees.

The properties sold in recent years were not of a standard suitable for a doctor.

It is almost impossible to have a contingency plan for the full replacement of a doctor in a single doctor practice.

We do however have certain procedures in place and several potential short term relief options, but these doctors are only available on their timeframes, not always ours. Nina has had some time of recently due to health issues and we have managed to cover most of this time. This is a complex issue with no easy options for resolution Adam. There is a shortage of rural doctors or doctors prepared to live in rural towns, and to operate a single doctor practice in particular.

Kind Regards

Peter

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**From:** Adam Harris <goomarates1@yahoo.com>  
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Peter,

I have a ratepayer who is concerned about there being a lack of housing available if the town were to get another doctor or a replacement doctor in the event of Nina leaving us for some reason.