

DELIVERING LOCAL MEDICAL EXPERTISE GLOBALLY

Aspen Medical takes its expertise to the world's frontline areas of need.

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Founded in 2003, Aspen Medical is one of the leading medical businesses in Australia. We are renowned as an exporter of comprehensive solutions to areas where healthcare is difficult to deliver.

For instance, we were first on the ground to provide medical services to the Australian Regional Assistance Mission to the Solomon Islands (RAMSI), and also assisted the international peace-keeping force in East Timor. During this time, Aspen Medical personnel provided life-saving surgery to President José Ramos-Horta following an assassination attempt in 2008, a highlight for the business.

We are also a key player in the ACT's burgeoning export industry. In 2013, for the third year running, we were named as the ACT Chief Minister's Exporter of the Year, with annual healthcare exports amounting to \$44 million. We were also awarded the National Exporter of the Year (Health and Biotechnology) Award in the same year.

Today, Aspen Medical employs more than 2000 people, mainly clinicians and health professionals, in locations as far-reaching as the Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, the US, the UK, Sierra Leone, Liberia and the United Arab Emirates.

In one recent initiative, we provided medical training in the Middle East, for more than 10,000 people to support vital healthcare needs in the region.

From November 2014 until April 2015, Aspen Medical established and ran an Ebola treatment centre in Sierra Leone on behalf of the federal government, while operating four similar centres for the US government in Liberia. No Aspen Medical employees contracted the Ebola virus despite a 10 per cent infection rate across healthcare workers in West Africa during the outbreak.

Aspen Medical also has a strong local presence. From its humble beginnings in the ACT, we have exported the company's model

around Australia. We recruit and manage work forces that deliver healthcare services to more than 80,000 military personnel at 52 sites across the country, to rural and remote indigenous communities in the Northern Territory through the company's subsidiary, the Remote Area Health Corps, and to the Western Australian resources sector through the collaborative Western Australia Resources Aero Medical Evacuation initiative.



Giving back

Our 'make it happen' approach and commitment to service have been key factors in our success. A superior team and extensive networks in government and business help support our achievements, allowing us to deliver healthcare services on the front line quickly and professionally. An important motivation is the desire to give back to the community from which we have grown.

So we have a commitment to social responsibility and encourage our employees to volunteer and contribute to not-for-profit businesses. We are actively involved in community organisations such as the Special Olympics, Legacy, indigenous rehabilitation programs and Pacific island nation disability support.

We believe that business is part of the community and has a responsibility to give back. As such, we invest the profits from Aspen into the Aspen Foundation to tackle entrenched health issues such as scabies and trachoma within indigenous communities. We have also assisted Solomon Islanders to learn medical transport skills, trained nursing assistants and have been one of the first businesses to employ people with disabilities there.

My current personal philanthropic passion is Project Independence, a partnership with the ACT government to provide home ownership options for people with an intellectual disability.