

ORTHOPAEDICS IN SAMOA

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Signed:





- Population- 190,000
- Two main islands- UPOLU & SAVAII
-land mass 2,830 sq km
- Capital – APIA
- $\frac{3}{4}$ of the population

(census 2011)







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OPERATING THEATRE





Chronic Osteomyelitis



ADULT TRAUMA



Non unions



DIABETIC FOOT SEPSIS



ORTHOPAEDICS

- 1 ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON FOR LAST 20 YRS
- GENERAL SURGEONS
- 3 WEEKLY CLINICS & ONE CLINIC IN SAVAI



PACIFIC ISLANDS ORTHOPAEDIC ASSOCIATION



ORTHOPAEDIC OUTREACH



SUPPORT

- WESTERN HEALTH - MELBOURNE VICTORIA





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- WESTERN HEALTH VISIT



Where from here

- 3 – 4 visits per year
- Providing avenues for outside experience
- Training
- Recognition



Conclusion

There is greater need for the service

- Commitment & ownership
- Training – need, time, resource, equity & quality service





THANK YOU.

