

Health delegate

Your tasks:

The work varies depending on the posting. Health delegates may be assigned to an ICRC or government-run hospital and work in war surgery or general surgery as a specialist, supervisor, instructor or head nurse.

Other activities include assessing the health conditions of a community, setting up medical assistance programmes, supporting and supervising local health-care facilities, training local personnel, or managing medical supplies. Participation in visits to places of detention is an important part of the health delegate's role, and involves assessing hygiene conditions, nutrition and detainee health.



Fred Clarke/ICRC

Selection requirements:

- ideal age 30 to 50
- either single or prepared to accept an unaccompanied posting abroad
- recognized training and professional experience in chosen field
- excellent command of English and good command of French
- driving licence (must be valid for manual transmission vehicles)

For job-specific selection requirements please refer to "Jobs at the ICRC" on the ICRC website: www.icrc.org

Your profile:

- strongly motivated by humanitarian work
- able to supervise others and work in a team
- able to work under pressure in a potentially dangerous environment

What we offer:

- an opportunity to help victims of conflict
- engrossing, rewarding work in an unusual setting
- a training course prior to departure (except for surgeons and anaesthetists)

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IS RECRUITING:

- Doctors (public health and detainee welfare)
- Surgeons and anaesthetists
- Prosthetist-orthotists
- Health delegates

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Surgeon and anaesthetist

Your tasks:

ICRC surgeons and anaesthetists work as part of surgical teams sent in when existing facilities are unable to care for the war-wounded. They may also treat victims of accident and illness who require emergency surgery. The teams work either in hospitals built, equipped, and managed by the ICRC, or in existing hospitals that the ICRC provides with supplies, equipment and back-up for local personnel, in some cases assisting with training.



Boris Heger/ICRC

Doctor (public health and detainee welfare)

Your tasks:

ICRC public-health doctors work in a team with other ICRC health delegates to carry out primary health-care programmes for civilians affected by conflict. Through a programme of teaching and supervision, the team works with local counterparts to improve the quality of health care. ICRC detainee-welfare doctors visit places of detention as part of a team of ICRC delegates. The task of the detainee-welfare specialist is primarily to examine everything relating to individual and collective detainee health: hygiene, access to food and water, detainees' nutritional status, access to medical care, and the functioning of the prison health-care system. ICRC doctors often have to negotiate with the authorities in order to gain access to those in need and ensure that they receive appropriate treatment.



Dominic Sansoni/ICRC

Prosthetist-orthotist

Your tasks:

This post involves supervising the manufacture of artificial limbs for the war-wounded. An ICRC prosthetist-orthotist assists with training in the theory and practice of physical rehabilitation, recruits local personnel, installs equipment and helps set up workshops for local limb-fitting technicians.



Anne Vallet/ICRC