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### **Women's paediatrician, Dr Evelyn Chan, wins Rhodes Scholarship**

#### **A young doctor at the Royal Women's Hospital is Victoria's newest Rhodes Scholar.**

Neonatal registrar Dr Evelyn Chan has been awarded the Victorian Rhodes Scholarship for further study at Oxford University in 2011.

Evelyn, who works in the Neonatal Intensive and Special Care (NISC) unit at the Women's, said she will use the prestigious scholarship to advance her studies in global health.

"I hope the opportunities offered by the scholarship, and the skills I obtain through further study, will help me to improve the lives of children and their families in the future.

"I would hope to leave Oxford well-equipped and supported in my efforts to decrease childhood mortality, building my future aspirations to work for an international organization such as UNICEF," she said.

Evelyn, 25, has worked in women's health in developing countries and among Australia's Aboriginal community in the Northern Territory.

"As well as paediatrics, I have a strong interest in women's health, and I am considering doing a diploma in obstetrics in future."

She joined the Women's in February this year. "I have enjoyed really good support at the Women's, with excellent communication and team work between the obstetric and paediatric teams; and the hospital facility itself is fantastic and state of the art."

The Rhodes Scholarship is awarded annually to young people aged 18 to 25 who display high academic ability, community involvement, leadership and sporting ability.

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