



# DR ROLF GOMES

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**FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR AT HEART OF AUSTRALIA  
CARDIOLOGIST AT MEDIHEARTS**

## Biography

Dr Rolf Gomes is a former electrical engineer turned cardiologist who founded Heart of Australia in 2014; a mobile healthcare program transforming the way specialist medicine is delivered in rural and remote communities.

It was during his years as a junior doctor that Rolf realised the lack of accessible healthcare options for country Australians compared to those living in major metropolitan areas. To challenge this health inequity, he came up with a simple idea: mobilise specialists and their equipment and bring them to the doorsteps of our rural and remote people.

Dr Gomes combined his technical engineering skills and medical knowledge to design a semi-trailer, clinic-on-wheels that could deliver medicine anywhere, no matter your postcode. With the support of his family, he built the first Heart Truck and began servicing a route of five communities in rural Queensland.

Today the Heart of Australia program consists of five mobile Heart Trucks, each fitted with state-of-the-art equipment and technology that would be found in any city-based clinic.

Dr Gomes and his growing team of specialists and medical professionals now visit over 33 communities across rural and remote Queensland, providing a wide range of services including cardiology, endocrinology, neurology, gynaecology, radiology and respiratory screening.



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