



Grants for Rural GPs

Rural & Remote General Practice Program (RRGPP): a scheme to attract and retain experienced GPs into rural general practice in NSW

Overview

NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN) administers the Rural & Remote General Practice Program (RRGPP) for New South Wales (NSW). The program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing.

Grants available

The RRGPP provides the following grants:

Transition Grants of up to \$5,000 are available to eligible GPs transitioning to rural and remote NSW communities that are in need of general practice services located in ASGC-RA* 2 Priority Towns and RA 3-5 towns. A GP who is **new** to rural general practice in NSW in these areas will also be offered a complimentary RDN Continuing Professional Development Voucher. * *Australian Standard Geographical Classification - Remoteness Area*

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Vouchers are available to eligible GPs who are **new** to rural general practice, to enable attendance at an RDN Conference. Vouchers cover full registration fees and, for GPs in more remote locations, an additional \$500 towards travel and accommodation is provided. Application forms, eligibility criteria and a list of RA 2 Priority Towns are available from the RDN website at www.nswrdn.com.au

Clinical Orientation (Training) Grants are available to eligible doctors to cover the costs of training in an RDN-hosted Rural Emergency Skills Training (REST) course or certificate course in Sexual & Reproductive Health. Please check eligibility criteria for these grants via the RDN website at www.nswrdn.com.au.

Rural Procedural Grants Program provides financial assistance for procedural GPs in rural and remote areas to access relevant activities that assist them in maintaining or updating their skills. The program has two components:

- GPs Practicing Emergency Medicine
- GPs Practicing in Surgery, Anaesthetics and/or Obstetrics.

Applications and eligibility criteria for the Rural Procedural Grants Program can be obtained from either the Australian College of Rural & Remote Medicine at www.acrrm.org.au or the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners at www.racgp.org.au. Note that while you're not required to be a member of either College to apply, you **MUST** register with the program through the RACGP or ACRRM before you attend an education event for which you want to lodge a claim.

More information

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