

About RDN

NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN) is an independent, not for profit organisation that develops and administers programs and services to improve the attraction, recruitment and retention of GPs, nurses and allied health professionals in remote, rural and regional areas of New South Wales. RDN provides a central information resource for these professionals and their employers.

The Rural Health Professionals Program is an Australian Government initiative. RDN administers the program in New South Wales.



An Australian Government Initiative



Emma Bobringer

"I always intended to work in a rural location at some point in my career, and as a new graduate I felt it was the perfect time. What sold Lightning Ridge to me was a quote I read: 'Want to meet someone crazy? In Lightning Ridge, it's hard to meet someone who isn't.'"

Dietitian at Lightning Ridge

More information

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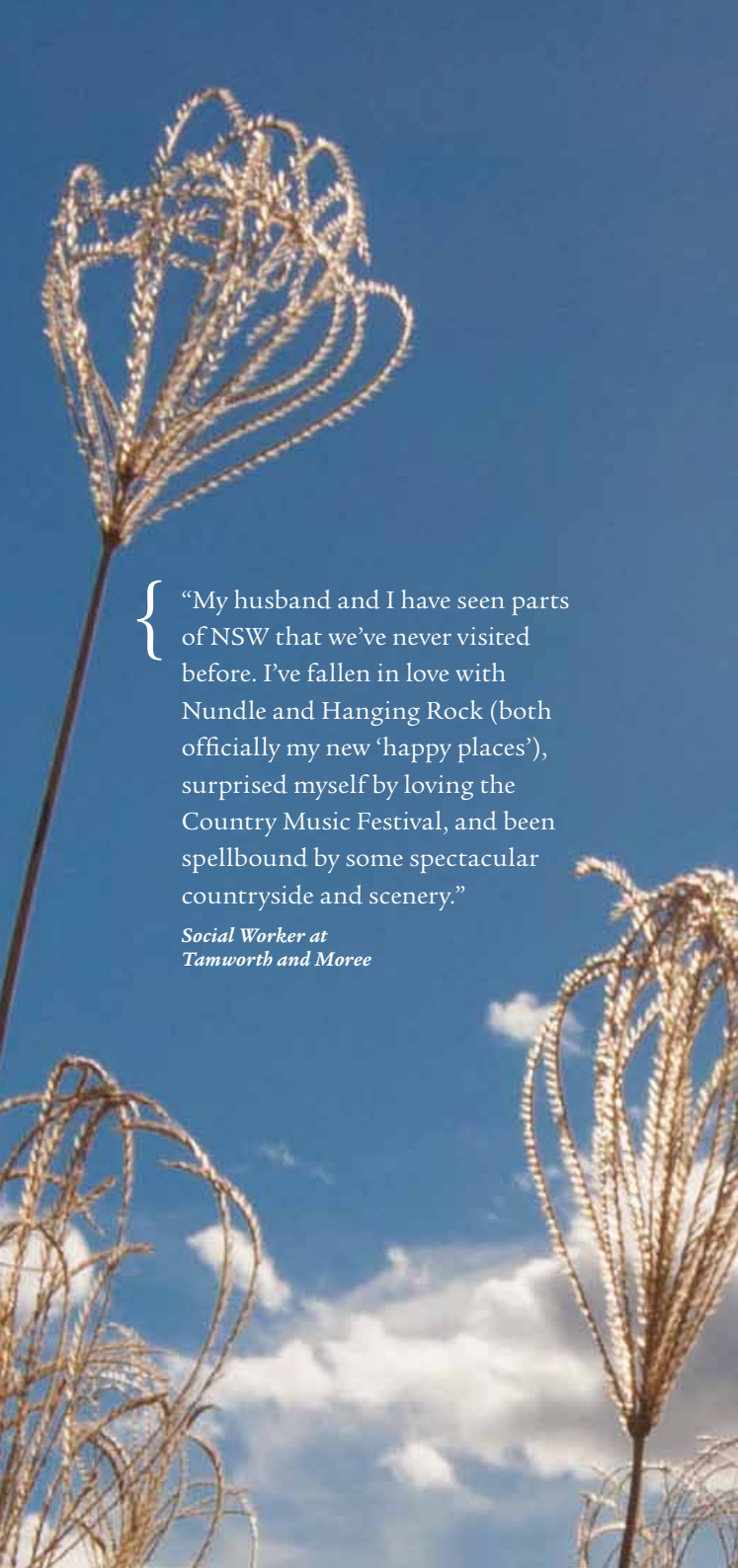
Rural Health Professionals Program

Growing and supporting an allied health and nursing workforce for rural Australia

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“My husband and I have seen parts of NSW that we’ve never visited before. I’ve fallen in love with Nundle and Hanging Rock (both officially my new ‘happy places’), surprised myself by loving the Country Music Festival, and been spellbound by some spectacular countryside and scenery.”

*Social Worker at
Tamworth and Moree*

The program

Through the Federal Government-funded Rural Health Professionals Program (RHPP), NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN) assists with the recruitment and retention of nurses and allied health professionals.

The program aims to improve the health of people in rural communities by strengthening and sustaining the health service and increasing access to primary healthcare professionals.

The program applies to nursing and allied health professionals, including Aboriginal Health Workers, who are predominantly engaged in primary healthcare in ASGC-RA (Australian Standard Geographical Classification – Remoteness Area) 2-5.

We work with aged care services, Aboriginal health services (in RA1-5), community health services, private practices (including general practices) and small rural hospitals.

Free, personalised recruitment assistance for employers

- RDN has a long and successful track record with assisting and facilitating the recruitment and retention of medical professionals to regional, rural and remote NSW locations.
- The service is at NO cost to the employer – the benefits of a recruitment agency without the fees.
- Advertise your vacancy for free with RDN and we will actively source and screen applicants for you and advise on eligibility for registration.
- Some financial support to assist with relocation and settlement may be available to eligible applicants
- Facilitate links between Local Health Districts, Medicare Locals (or Primary Health Networks) and private practitioners to ensure viability of services in smaller and more remote towns.

How RDN assists health professionals

- Case management approach with applicants to match them to the best job opportunity in the right town.
- Work with health professionals and their families to prepare for relocation and rural life.
- Some financial support to assist with relocation and settlement may be available to eligible applicants.
- Link health professionals with Continuing Professional Development (CPD) opportunities and appropriate professional networking, mentoring and supervision.
- Advice for international applicants on registration pathways and visa options (we are not Migration Agents so any advice is general only).
- Comprehensive orientation pack provided to all successful recruits and ongoing support and advice from our friendly nursing and allied health team.



Pharmacist Ahmad Almesfer with family at the Barraba races

“This year has been better than I could have possibly imagined. I have had a great time, after getting a job in Dubbo. Life is perfect - I joined the town rugby team and cricket club, I’m engaged, got a dog and bought a house!”

Physiotherapist at Dubbo