

# WORKFORCE GRANTS



NSW RURAL DOCTORS NETWORK  
CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

## NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN) provides financial grants to support the provision of a highly skilled health workforce in remote, rural and regional NSW and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs).

RDN offers eligible\* applicants access to grants to help offset costs when moving to, and working in, rural communities.

Grants available include:

### Site visits

Up to \$3,000 is available to primary health care professionals for a site visit to practices in rural NSW locations where there is a mutual interest in a placement.

### Relocation

Up to \$5,000 is available to primary health care professionals relocating to rural NSW locations. Successful applicants must commit to a minimum of 12 months at the new location.

### Practitioner health and wellbeing

In exceptional circumstances, RDN can assist in facilitating tailored support for a practitioner and their family. Please contact us to discuss.

### Practice sustainability

The sustainability of rural general and allied health practice is dependent on a well trained administration and support staff. Through targeted initiatives, RDN can provide support to enhance the sustainability of the primary health care practice. To find out more about upcoming initiatives to support and enhance practices, sign up to receive the Practice Made Perfect newsletter.

Please note, funding may vary based on fund availability at the time of application.

### THIS SERVICE MAY BENEFIT



DOCTORS  
VR & NON-VR



ALLIED HEALTH  
PROFESSIONALS



NURSES AND  
MIDWIVES



PARTNERS AND  
FAMILIES



PRACTICE MANAGERS  
AND PRACTICE STAFF

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Information correct as at January 2020.

\* Eligibility criteria applies to each grant and should be reviewed prior to submitting an application. Information about eligibility is available by contacting the RDN Workforce Retention team.



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# ABOUT NSW RURAL DOCTORS NETWORK

## NSW Rural Doctors Network

NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN) is a not-for-profit and non-government organisation and is the Australian Government's designated Rural Workforce Agency (RWA) for health in NSW.

Our vision is for improved health service access for all Australians – no matter where they live.

We seek to support better health and wellbeing for people living in remote, rural and regional and disadvantaged communities, particularly those in NSW and the ACT.

To achieve this vision, we seek to grow and strengthen a capable primary health workforce, support communities in tailored health workforce solutions, support the capacity of health service organisations, contribute to policy and ensure RDN's continued effectiveness.

RDN offers a range of services, programs and activities across NSW that:

- help remote, rural and regional communities, General Practices and health services to find suitably skilled and qualified General Practitioners (GPs), nurses and allied health professionals to work in their towns
- assist suitably skilled and qualified GPs, nurses and allied health professionals to pursue careers in remote, rural and regional NSW (both Australian and International Medical Graduates/Overseas Trained Doctors)
- support existing remote, rural and regional doctors, nurses and allied health professionals through the provision of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activities and succession planning
- provide financial support for further study, training and short courses
- assist in finding locum support for remote, rural and regional GPs, including through our unique and free RDN Locum Match
- deliver a wide range of health outreach services to rural towns
- support remote, rural and regional medical partners and families
- provide a range of scholarships, support and information for students studying medicine or health-related degrees in NSW.

RDN also works with:

- Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHSs) to support health services for Aboriginal peoples
- rural NSW Primary Health Networks (PHNs) to support remote, rural and regional GPs
- local communities, governments and rural Local Health Districts (LHDs) on medical workforce matters
- university medical faculties to promote rural medicine.