

## Bob Wells

Bob Wells is the Director of the Australian Primary Health Care Research Institute at The Australian National University. He has a broad role to work across the ANU in the areas of health research and policy analysis, including a number of projects in the fields of primary health care and workforce policy. He participates in national committees advising governments on research and medical training. Bob is a former first assistant secretary in the Department of Health and Ageing where he was involved in research policy, Commonwealth/State relations, health workforce, rural health programs, safety and quality and programs for better management of major diseases such as cancer, diabetes and mental health. Bob managed the Commonwealth's health workforce programs from the early 1990s. He chaired the Medical Training Review Panel and represented the Commonwealth on the Australian Medical Workforce Advisory Committee (AMWAC), the Australian Health Workforce Officials Committee (AHWOC) and the Australian Medical Council (AMC). He has chaired a number of workforce committees established under the auspices of the Australian Health Ministers Council, including working parties on national medical registration and specialist medical training and has represented Australia internationally on medical workforce matters.