4th National Rural Health Conference Proceedings

Health For All By the Year 2000
Perth, 9-12 February 1997

PRELIMINARIES
- Foreword, Executive Director’s Note, Acknowledgments

OFFICIAL OPENING
- Hon Richard Court MLA, Premier of Western Australia

SECTION 1
- Executive Summary
- Conference Processes
Proposals for Action

- Workforce Issues
- Commonwealth-State Relations
- Aboriginal Health
- Specific Services and Communication
- Community Participation and Information
- Transport
- Other Recommendations
SECTION 2 - KEYNOTE PAPERS

Veterans in Rural Areas
Hon Bruce Scott MHR, Federal Minister for Veterans’ Affairs

Human Rights for Rural and Remote Communities
Ms Sue Walpole, Federal Sex Discrimination Commissioner, Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

Communities and Health
Ms Robyn Tredwell, 1996 ABC Rural Woman of the Year, Chairman, Board of Savannah Systems, Pty. Ltd

Aboriginal Health
Prof Max Kamien, Head, Department of General Practice, University of Western Australia

Remote Nursing
Margaret-Ann Cook, Principal Consultant Nursing, Territory Health Services, Darwin

WA Rural Health Policy
Hon Kevin Prince MLA, WA Minister for Health
Federal Health Policy

Tony Kingdon, WA State Manager, Commonwealth Department of Health and Family Services (on behalf of Hon Michael Wooldridge Federal Minister for Health and Family Services).

SECTION 3 - SUMMARY OF SPLIT SESSIONS

State and Territory Sessions

- Western Australia
- Victoria
- Northern Territory
- New South Wales
- Queensland
Key Aspects of the National Rural Health Strategy

- Indicators of Health Status, Performance, Effectiveness and Preferences for Service
- Innovations in Service Delivery
- Improving Rural and Remote Mental Health Services

Workshop Sessions

- Workforce Recruitment and Retention
- Rural and Remote Pharmacy - Maximising its role in Community Settings
- Multi-Purpose Services (MPS)
- Managing Technology in Rural Health Services
- Focus on Western Australia
- Health Service Delivery: Spontaneous vs Forced Change
Aboriginal Health: Community Control; Men’s Health and Ambulatory Care

Making Sure that Research Informs Health Policy and Practice

Concurrent Sessions (Tuesday 11 February)

Data as the Basis of Health Services

Relevance to Priority Needs

Environmental and Public Health

Intersectoral Collaboration

Community Participation

Multi-Disciplinary Approaches

Appropriately Trained and Distributed Workforce
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Concurrent Sessions (Wednesday 12 February)

- Data as the Basis of Health Services
- Relevance to Priority Needs: Aged Care
- Relevance to Priority Needs: Palliative Care
- Relevance to Priority Needs: Child and Family Health
- Intersectoral Collaboration
- Community Participation
- Multi-Disciplinary Approaches
- Appropriately Trained and Distributed Workforce: Rural GPs
SECTION FOUR - ANCILLARY INFORMATION

- List of Participants 4th National Rural Health Conference
- Information on the National Rural Health Alliance
- Members of National Rural Health Alliance Council
- List of Acronyms and Abbreviations
- Photo Album