Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health (SARRAH) is nationally recognised as a peak body representing rural and remote allied health professionals.

SARRAH, established in 1995, is a ‘grassroots’ organisation able to address the very particular needs of the individual rural and remote allied health professional.

SARRAH recognises that allied health professionals are - Tertiary qualified health professionals who apply their skills and knowledge to diagnose, restore and maintain optimal physical, sensory, psychological, cognitive and social function. They are aligned with each other and their clients. Professions may include, but are not limited to:

- Aboriginal Health Workers
- Audiology;
- Dietetics & Nutrition;
- Exercise Physiology;
- Medical Radiation Science (Diagnostic and Therapeutic Radiography, Nuclear Medicine);
- Occupational Therapy;
- Optometry;
- Orthoptics;
- Orthotics;
- Pharmacy;
- Physiotherapy;
- Podiatry;
- Psychology;
- Social Work; and
- Speech Pathology.

SARRAH recognises rural and remote Australia as a continuum of communities outside major metropolitan centres.

SARRAH has established an extensive Regional, State and National network of allied health professionals living and working in rural and remote Australia, encompassing the broad spectrum of health services provided.

SARRAH provides support for allied health practitioners working in all sectors.

SARRAH advocates for rural and remote allied health professionals and allied health practice on local, state and national levels.

SARRAH administers a number of scholarship programs on behalf of the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing. The programs target allied health professionals and scholars who are either working or prepared to work in rural or remote Australia.

SARRAH would like to encourage all members of the allied health workforce to become members of SARRAH. Application forms can be found on the SARRAH website.

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