

Dimity Pond

Professor Dimity Pond is head of the Discipline of General Practice at the University of Newcastle. She is a GP with a Fellowship of the RACGP, and has continued in clinical practice, including nursing home practice, throughout her academic career. She has a long track record of research on dementia in General Practice, and is currently exploring the implications of this problem in remote Indigenous communities, including some education around the issue for health workers and community members. IN the past 3 years she has made a number of visits to remote communities to learn and to explore options with community members and with other workers. Professor Pond has contributed over 80 peer reviewed publications. She has worked on knowledge translation from research into general practice, including contributions to the GP "Red Book" of preventive activities around aged care and dementia, contributions to the "Check" training program for GPs around the elderly, and regular teaching sessions at postgraduate and undergraduate level. She has also served on a number of government advisory groups including most recently the Ministers Dementia Advisory Group, which advised the Commonwealth government on matters relating to dementia.