

Fiona Wake

Fiona Wake is a registered nurse with over 25 years' experience in critical care and primary health nursing. She has been based in the NT since 2007 and initially worked coordinating hearing and ear, nose and throat services in Central Australia and Top End remote communities. Since 2009, Fiona has been the Clinical Manager for Remote Area Health Corps (RAHC). Fiona works to attract a new clinical workforce to the NT and providing these new health professionals with comprehensive support to prepare and assist them to make a successful transition to remote practice. RAHC delivers a tailored pathway that includes comprehensive Cultural and Clinical Orientation and a suite of eLearning modules covering various clinical issues relevant to the remote setting. Nurses and GPs also have access to the support of a Remote Educator for their first placement. In collaboration with the NT health services, Fiona believes RAHC is contributing significantly to a competent new remote workforce. Fiona keeps her hand in as a clinician by completing short-term contracts each year through RAHC with the Hearing Health Program. Aside from enjoying the work, these placements enable her to retain her clinical skills and remain in touch with the current remote environment.