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MAXIMISING THE VALUE OF RURAL AND REMOTE HEALTH RESEARCH

A public Symposium in Canberra in September will bring together experienced and early career rural and remote health researchers to strengthen the value of their work by building a stronger relationship with national data agencies and policy makers.

The Symposium will also provide information and practical expertise to help non-traditional rural health researchers undertake research that can shape policy and so improve health in more remote areas.

Registration for the Symposium is now open. Visit the Symposium website at www.ruralhealth.org.au/symposium2014 to register online or to download a hard copy registration form.

Over two days, there will be a range of presentations and discussions involving rural and remote health researchers and those who publish data series. It will include consideration of the new health biomarkers available from the National Health Survey, the role of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) and the role of data linkage projects.

The 4th biennial Rural and Remote Health Scientific Symposium is being organised by the Australian Primary Health Care Research Institute (APHCRI), the Primary Health Care Research & Information Service (PHCRIS), the Australian Rural Health Education Network (ARHEN) and the National Rural Health Alliance (NRHA).

The public Symposium will involve four groups of people: managers and staff of frontline health services and NGOs in rural and remote areas; representatives of national health data agencies, including the Department of Health, the ABS, AHPRA and the AIHW; rural and remote health researchers; and consumers from rural areas.

People working in national data agencies will hear about the contemporary data needs of rural and remote health researchers and service providers.

The Symposium program is available at www.ruralhealth.org.au/symposium2014

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