



Ubuntu 2024 Workshop

Title:

Medical Immigration - Rural Workforce Solution?

Facilitators:

Dr Nick Hummel University of Cape Town graduate in 1986, migrated to Australia in 1990 and worked in general practice in rural Tasmania until 2005, then moved to coastal Queensland where he continues to work and own a general practice. He has decades of experience with postgraduate GP



training and is currently RACGP Queensland Censor.

Professor Tarun Sen Gupta Professor of Health Professional Education and Head of the Townsville Clinical School at the James Cook University College of Medicine and Dentistry, North Queensland, Australia. He was in rural practice in Richmond, north-west Queensland from 1987-1993, and has worked in rural medical education since 1993. He is a Rural Generalist Training Adviser for Queensland's Rural Generalist Pathway, a board member of the Rural Doctors Association of Queensland and the Rural Doctors Foundation, and Chair of the ACRRM Assessment Committee.



Associate Professor Harry Jacobs retired North Queensland GP and GP academic.

Synopsis:

Medical practitioner migration is a common and controversial topic for discussion with practical, personal and ethical dimensions. Participants will have an opportunity to share their own perspective. Reference will be made to the MELBOURNE MANIFESTO adopted at 5th WONCA World Rural Health Conference Melbourne, Australia on 3 May 2002.

Learning Outcomes

Discuss the benefits and risks of immigration of doctors to address medical workforce shortages.

The complexities of immigration will be identified. Small group discussion will identify regional variations.

Workshop Outline *detailed agenda of the workshop*

Time	Activities
5 minutes	Welcome comments Ubuntu 2024 Moderator
15 minutes	Personal experience Dr Nick Hummel
20 minutes	Small group discussion by participants 20 mins
15 minutes	Panel discussion Dr Hummel, SenGupta & Jacobs 15 mins
3 minutes	Wrap-Up by Harry Jacobs
2 minutes	Closing comments Ubuntu 2024 Moderator