

Answers to supplementary question – Charles Sturt University

We have been working to strengthen our partnerships with the LHDs to improve workforce. The Grow Your Own concept is that we support students to take on roles within the LHD where they can and then align their clinical placements to the same region. The intent is provide a pathway to employment with in the region. The main focus has been nursing students. We are also collaborating with TAFE to support the pathway from EN to RN. This is improving student placement coordination for nursing and we are extending this to allied health. As yet our medical students are in the early stages of our course so we haven't had any graduates. Given our model of basing students in clinical schools 100% in the regions we are hopeful this will lead them to choose rural practice.

