

**Submission
No 56**

**THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE No. 2
RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO CROSS-JURISDICTIONAL HEALTH
REFORM AND GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION WITH REMOTE, RURAL AND
REGIONAL COMMUNITIES**

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It is of obvious concern that a town of 2,500 people does not have a full-time doctor, or two, as required to share after-hours responsibilities. The town is surrounded by people employed in risky employment, including mining and agriculture. Townsfolk are further disadvantaged as doctors in the nearest town, Mudgee, are also over loaded and now refuse to accept new patients. Whatever action can be taken to correct this medical crisis would be greatly appreciated.