

Health Workforce Scholarship Program

**ROUND 2
OPENS MONDAY
30 APRIL 2018**



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The Health Workforce Scholarship Program (HWSP) is a new initiative of the Australian Government Department of Health to improve access to health services in rural and remote areas by helping medical and health professionals to access ongoing study and development.

Under the Program, health and medical professionals working in rural and remote locations (MMM 3-7) can apply for scholarships and bursaries to pursue further education or attend training courses.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available to postgraduate health practitioners undertaking further study in medicine, nursing or allied health.

Scholarship payments up to \$10,000 per year for two years are available for participants undertaking full-time studies.

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of the additional training and development sponsored through the Program.

The longest ROSO is **12 MONTHS**

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for a scholarship or bursary:

- **Working in the field of medicine, nursing, midwifery, dentistry or allied health** (including Aboriginal health workers) providing primary care
- **Working in MMM 3-7 location** or intend to work in one of these locations (eg. applicant has a service agreement or employment agreement)
- **Working in private practice, an Aboriginal Medical Service or non-government organisation** (cannot be solely employed by State Government)
- Skills or knowledge gained through intended study must help **address an identified health need in the community.**

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications are invited from relevant medical and health professionals during two annual funding rounds. Individual bursaries may also be awarded at any time outside of the application round process if funding permits.

An application form is available on the Rural Health West website at www.ruralhealthwest.com.au/hwsp. We encourage all applicants to read the full Administrative Guidelines which are also available on the website.

Applications for Round 2 open on Monday 30 April 2018 and close on Wednesday 30 May 2018.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES

For further information please contact:

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Rural Health West administers the Health Workforce Scholarship Program on behalf of the Australian Government Department of Health.

BURSARIES

One-off bursary and support payments

are available to help cover the cost of attending training. These payments can be put towards training or course fees, conference registrations, and accommodation and transports costs involved.

Return of Service Obligation

A Return of Service Obligation (ROSO) will be negotiated with successful applicants to ensure rural communities receive the benefit