

TRAIN WITH PASSION AND PURPOSE



WHAT IS THE RURAL GENERALIST PROGRAM SOUTH AUSTRALIA (RGPSA)?

The RGPSA provides a continuous, integrated and fit for purpose training pathway for rural generalist trainees across South Australia, and supports the existing rural general practitioners in up skilling to continue to meet rural community health needs. The program will ensure high quality and well supported training that is designed to meet trainee needs. RGPSA is facilitated by the Rural Generalist Coordination Unit in collaboration with a range of key rural medical workforce and education stakeholders. The RGPSA is funded by the Australian Government's Department of Health.

WHAT IS A RURAL GENERALIST?

In South Australia, rural generalists have long served our rural communities, providing comprehensive rural general practice, emergency care, hospital inpatient care and both procedural and non-procedural specialities. Rural generalists work across both hospital and community settings and are trained through well-structured and supported systems. Rural Generalists can provide services across the areas of:

- General Practice
- Emergency Medicine
- Obstetrics
- Surgery
- Anaesthetics
- Adult Internal Medicine
- Mental Health
- Remote Medicine
- Paediatrics
- Aboriginal Health
- Aged Care
- Palliative Care
- Medical Administration
- Academic Practice

HOW DO I BECOME A RURAL GENERALIST?

If you are interested in rural generalist training, you have a range of choices available from the college you train with, the structure of your training program and a variety of training locations. These can be tailored to you and your needs.

Both the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) and the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) train to fellowship as a Rural Generalist.

RACGP - Fellowship in Advanced Rural General Practice (FARGP) is undertaken over four years leading to dual RACGP fellowship (FRACGP, FARGP). Candidates learn about the specific health needs of rural and remote communities with an extra 12 months of advanced rural skills training.

As an RACGP trainee you can train via the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program, which is facilitated by GPEX (South Australia's Regional Training Organisation) or through the Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS).

ACRRM - The ACRRM fellowship provides a specialist general practice qualification with a specific focus on rural and remote medicine. You will build a broad set of skills to confidently support and promote the health and wellbeing of rural and remote communities and will specialise in an area of interest with advanced specialised training. As an ACRRM trainee you have multiple training program options; the AGPT program through GPEX, the ACRRM Independent Pathway or RVTS.

BENEFITS OF TRAINING IN REGIONAL SA

The RGPSA works with regional Local Health Networks to provide a range of training opportunities designed to meet the requirements for the RACGP and ACRRM programs and rural Felloved GPs wanting to upskill.

RGPSA offers attractive fit for purpose rural based training and skill development for rural generalist trainees from internship to fellowship, through well defined and supported structures. RGPSA and other stakeholders will ensure a coordinated and well supported training pathway.

START YOUR CAREER AS A RURAL GENERALIST IN REGIONAL SA TODAY.

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