

To achieve this we will:

Lobby for the rapid establishment of a network of Rural Health Education Hubs

Undertake MoH led Nurse Practitioner Initiatives

Broaden the scope and reach of our NZLocums Orientation Course

Achieve all targets in our NZ Locums contract this year

Facilitate our Rural Health Careers Promotion programme in as many rural and provincial secondary schools as possible

Conferences, Summit, communications via website, newsletters, social media and other publications

Renew our NZ Locums contract for the 3-year term beyond June 2020

Expand NZLocums role across the NZ medical recruitment sector

Take care of our staff health and wellbeing, recruitment, development and retention

Work with Rural Nurses NZ

Programme and secretariat support for RHAANZ

Programme and secretariat support for NZ Rural Hospital Network

Ask Network members about how we can support their own health and wellbeing – and put in place a plan to do this

NZ Rural General Practice Network Strategic Plan 2019-2021



To achieve this we will:

Build the foundations for a united rural health network:

- Enabling Constitution
- Appropriate and effective governance
- Clear roles and relationships

Co-host WONCA 2020 and enhance its relevancy to rural health professionals

Facilitate the first NZ Rural Hospital Network Summit, report & workplan

Represent the voice of Rural General Practice in significant national forum: PRIME, GPLF, NRHAG

Expand our role in Rural Health Research

Build a Rural Services Mapping Tool

Raise awareness of Māori health disparities and cultural competencies of the international medical professionals we recruit through our orientation course

Enhance the understanding of Te Tiriti O Waitangi and the cultural competency of our own staff

Our approaches are:

Build on existing relationships and develop new ones so that together, we work rapidly to address the rural health workforce crisis

Encourage young New Zealanders to take up a rural health career

Provide a platform upon which our members are informed about, and able to discuss and collaborate on, issues that are important to them

Optimise benefits to our members from the continuity and excellent delivery of our NZLocums/Ministry of Health contract

Optimise our business opportunities from the existing NZLocums systems, expertise and international relationships

Grow our rural health workforce from within the heart of rural NZ

Be the trusted and united voice of rural health

Our strategic priorities are to:

**Our Vision:
Healthy Rural Communities**

Provide excellent and sustainable service to our members

Improve rural Maori health outcomes

Foster a culture of partnership, effective governance and robust constitutional processes that will underpin a united and trusted rural health voice

Be the source of soundly based views and advice on issues that are important to our members and the communities they serve.

Work in partnership with Te Rōpu Arahi to improve our engagement with Māori in everything we do

Facilitate opportunities for our members to meet, discuss and collaborate on matters that are important to them

Mission: To support and promote the current and future rural health workforce
Our guiding principle: Rural New Zealand requires accessible, equitable quality health care