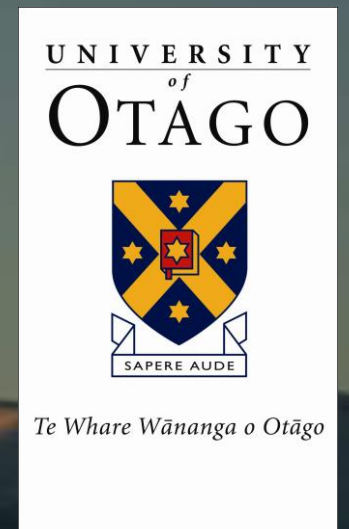


Rural Health Initiatives within the University of Otago

- Rural Health Strategic Plan
- Proposed National School of Rural Health
- Section of Rural Health within the Dept. GP and Rural Health, DSM
- Feedback

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Rural[★] Health Plan

- Engaging rural communities
- Social Accountability = Workforce
- Developing a rural health structure
- Building academic capacity
- Rural health policy and development
- Interprofessional education and practice

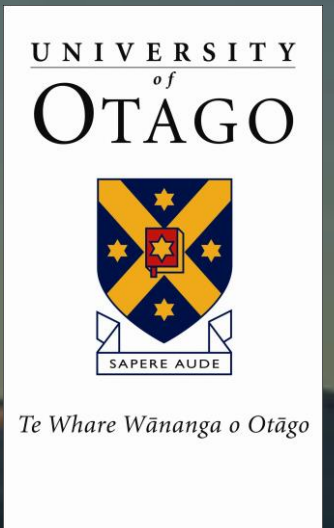
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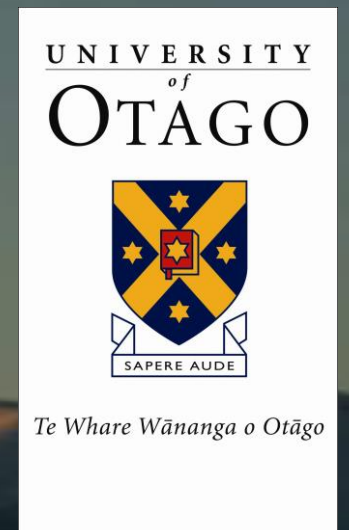
Community Engagement:

- Rural health education and rural health research are embedded in the rural context and day-to-day rural healthcare practice.
- Agreements are developed with rural communities and iwi
- Education and research in rural communities are each conducted in a coordinated manner that respects and supports the integrity and social fabric of rural communities and their health services.



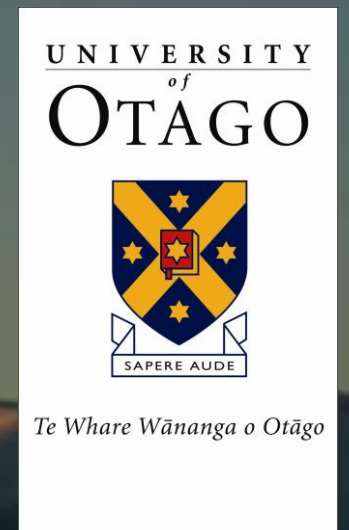
Developing a Rural Health Structure:

- A virtual, digitally based, rural campus with strong rurally based leadership, links the geographically dispersed rural health faculty and student body. necessary IT infrastructure is in place
- Facilities, virtual and real.....are established in rural communities.



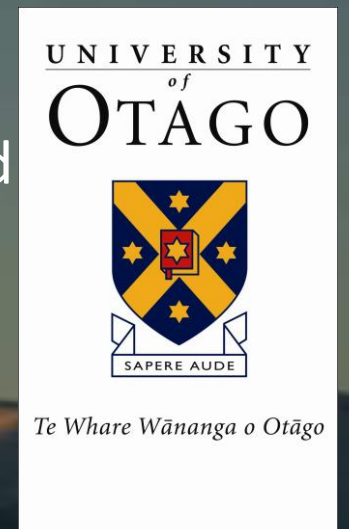
Educating a rural health workforce:

- The selection policies reflect the diverse communities in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- students who are interested in rural careers are actively supported in this interest throughout their health professional education, including high quality learning in rural settings.
- The importance of generalism rural, remote and island communities in particular, is fully recognized and there are ample opportunities to learn generalist skill sets.



Building Rural Academic Capacity:

- Dedicated support is made available to postgraduate students to enable them to successfully meet the challenges of conducting research while living and working in rural areas.
- The Division grows and nurtures rural faculty by providing opportunities to advance academic careers, while continuing in active rural practice.in line urban-based disciplines.
- The professional developmentadapted to the challenges of engaging in health education and research while living in rural Aotearoa New Zealand





National School of Rural Health

- Based on RCS Western Australia
- Collaborative enabling body
- Embedded in rural
- Longitudinal learning
- Academic community
- Regional development

Section of Rural Health

- Dept. GP & Rural Health, DSM
- Postgraduate, RMIP, Research and association rural rotation programme
- Future home within Uni Otago for NSRH
- Own leadership and budget

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