

Position Statement

SCHOOL: School of Rural Medicine

POSITION TITLE: Clinical Dean – JMP – Tablelands Clinical School

REPORTS TO: Head, School of Rural Medicine and
Dean of Medicine – Joint Medical Program (JMP)

The duties will include the following:

1. Lead medical education and research, especially clinical placements and clinical skills teaching, within the Tablelands Clinical School based at Armidale Rural Referral Hospital.
2. Represent the JMP at the Armidale Rural Referral Hospital site and be the key liaison person between the Universities and the Health Care Provider for the purpose of clinical skills teaching/placement within the JMP.
3. Negotiate with the local health facilities and clinical teachers to identify the number of JMP students to be placed in any given year.
4. Negotiate with the Dean of Medicine – JMP and the Head of School of Rural Medicine, appropriate support staff and other resources for the smooth operation of the Clinical School. This may include joint resourcing with Hunter New England Health and other bodies to ensure that adequate supervisory staff and other resources are available to meet the needs of the students and clinician teachers being placed at the Clinical School.
5. Ensure that the health facilities providing clinical placements are briefed in detail about Universities' placement objectives and the responsibilities of all parties in line with the Clinical Placement Agreement.
6. Ensure that only students who have achieved the required academic standards as prescribed in the JMP rules/policies are placed with the health institution.
7. Instruct students and clinician teachers to observe the health facility's by-laws, administrative guidelines, regulations, rules, policies and procedures at all times while on placement.
8. Supervise clinician teachers, including Conjoint/Adjunct academics as required by the Dean of Medicine – JMP in consultation with the Head of School of Rural Medicine.

9. Investigate ways of expanding the placement capacity of the Clinical School as the total number of JMP students increases over time.
10. Participate in JMP implementation deliberations as required by the Dean of Medicine – JMP/JMP Committee.
11. Participate in performance appraisal as required by the Dean of Medicine – JMP and Head of School of Rural Medicine.

Key Selection Criteria

The appointee must:

Essential:

1. Be registered to work as a Medical Practitioner
2. Have a recognised medical specialist qualification, including General Practice.
3. Have experience and demonstrated ability in:
 - a. Clinical skills teaching within a Clinical School setting
 - b. Effectively representing a range of stakeholder interests
 - c. Managing the support needs of staff and students
 - d. Human and physical resource management including performance appraisal.
4. Effective interpersonal and communication skills including capacity to liaise and negotiate with a broad range of interest groups.
5. Demonstrate a solid understanding and commitment to rural medicine.

Desirable:

6. Able to apply for appointment as a clinician at Armidale Rural Referral Hospital.
7. Demonstrated entrepreneurial capacity and experience.
8. Commitment to quality assurance.
9. A proven record of working collaboratively with clinicians and in a multidisciplinary context.
10. A commitment to overseeing the delivery process of GP placements.