Rural Health Services



Community consultations

Security
Continuity
Time

Security

Continuous availability of:

Daytime services within reach of home

Emergency care at the time of need

Continuity

Seeing the same practitioners

(Building relationships)

Smooth succession

(when the life cycle moves practitioners on)

Continuity

Adds to Security

Saves on Labs and Pharms

Builds relationships

(with patients, within teams, with referrals)

Time

Clinician-Patient relationships

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- Humane
- Scientific
- Ethical
- Cost Effective

Services

NEED

Workforce

(Multidisciplinary)

NEEDS

Context

(for sustainability)

CONTEXT Retention before recruitment

- Adequate income
- Sufficient time off
- Supportive professional environment

Supportive Professional environment

- Facilities
- Technology
- Stable team
- Continuing professional development
- Relationships

RELATIONSHIPS

- Within the team
- Between disciplines
- With employers
- Between Primary and Secondary services

RUFUS (Rural Focused Urban Specialists)

Understanding social and geographical context

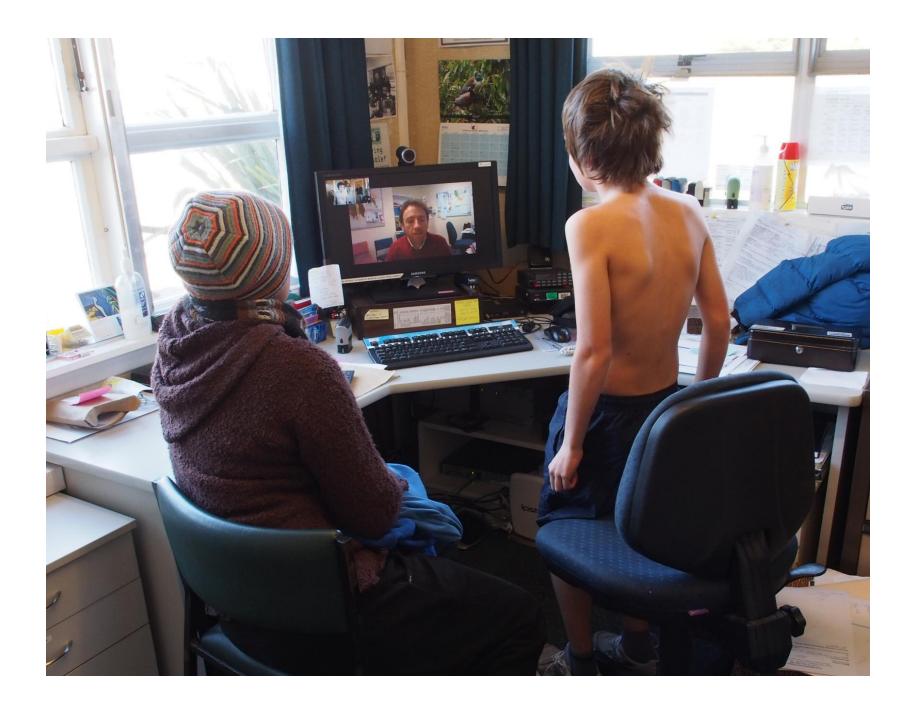
Consulting with patients

Building relationship with the team

Teaching – Practitioners and students

CONSULTING IN HOME WITH STUDENT





Rural-based Clinical School

- Dispersed
- Interdisciplinary
- Core curriculum
- Longitudinal teaching
- Community participation
- Rural workforce pipeline

And so reconsider what might be a *supportive professional environment*

Rural-based Clinical School

GOOD FOR:

- Students
- Practitioners
- Patients
- Rural communities
- New Zealand
- NZ Government

Rural-based Interdisciplinary Clinical Education



Supportive Professional Environment



Clinician retention



Continuity of care



Security of Rural Health Services

It is time to grasp the Ongaonga



Thank You

