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PHC RED

Capacity Building Program

The Department of General Practice
University of Adelaide





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The PHC RED at the University of Adelaide has a four tiered approach to research capacity building, working at the following levels:

- Faculty of Health Sciences
- Department of General Practice
- Divisions and PHC Practitioners
- SA Statewide Collaboration



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Faculty of Health Sciences

- Medical School
- Department of Public Health
- Adelaide to Outback Training Program

Opportunities:

- Department of Nursing
- Joanna Briggs School of Evidence Based Nursing





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- Development of an Academic Program for postgraduates, staff and PHC RED Fellows and Bursary holders
- Grant Submissions
- Writing for Publication
- Attracting and supervising post graduate students



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Divisions and PHC Practitioners

Working with:

- GPs, Divisions, SADI, Regional Health Services, DHS and other Universities

Activities

- Bursaries and Fellowships
- Training Workshops
- Mentoring
- Development of training packages



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SA Statewide Collaboration

- Evaluation Training Workshops (MAHS)
- Evaluation projects
- Joint Grant applications
- Development of publications



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Opportunities

- Development of capacity building indicators for programs which aim to build capacity of GPs and PHC practitioners so that they feel able to undertake postgraduate studies, research and publish.



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Opportunities

- Establishing research networks, (considering the UK experience which shows that a lot of groundwork needs to be done first, and networks have to be very clear about their purpose and outcomes) .



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Issues Arising

- Lack of funding for research for GPs and PHC practitioners
- Correlating the outcomes expected of the PHC RED program (eg increased research training programs, publications and PhD students) with the current mindset of most GPs and PHC Practitioners who are not yet ready for these outcomes, but are very willing to begin the process.

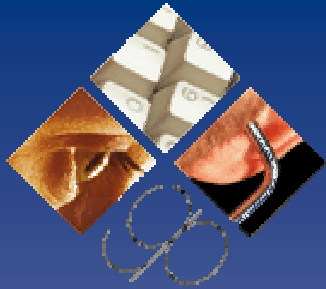


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Issues Arising

- Accessing Primary Health Care practitioners who perceive PHC RED to be a GP focused program
- The time taken to establish relationships, and to develop joint programs, training or research.



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Issues Arising

- Time and funding – there are a multitude of activities that could be undertaken, but most PHC RED staff are part time and much activity requires some funding
- Time taken in reporting requirements this year