



Nominations called

RDAA Rural Doctor of the Year Award 2017

Know a rural doctor who deserves to be recognised for their dedication to their community or rural health? Nominate them for the RDAA Rural Doctor of the Year Award 2017.

Selection process

Members of the health community, rural communities and others are invited to nominate a deserving, individual rural doctor for the RDAA Rural Doctor of the Year Award for 2017.

Entries close at 5pm AEST on **Monday 17 July 2017**.

Nominations must be supported by a brief written response (up to 250 words) to the criterion listed below.

A small sub-committee of the RDAA Board will decide the winner.

The winner will be announced at RDAA and ACRRM's Rural Medicine Australia conference (www.ruralmedicineaustralia.com.au), to be held in Melbourne in October.

The selection criteria

1. Nominees for the RDAA Rural Doctor of the Year Award must be a current member of their state Rural Doctors Association or an individual member of RDAA. Each nominator is eligible to nominate one individual doctor per year.
2. Nominees must have worked 'above and beyond' the call of duty and demonstrated leadership in rural practice in one or more of the following:
 - improving access to quality healthcare for their community; or

- improving the viability of their local hospital or medical service; or
- improving access to quality healthcare for an Indigenous community; or
- improving opportunities for education and training in rural health; or
- improving the recruitment and retention of GPs and specialists, and/or GP/specialist services, in their area; or
- promoting and helping achieve sustainable, rural multidisciplinary team approaches to care; or
- contributed in any other way that is considered 'above and beyond' the call of duty in ensuring a strong future for the rural medical workforce and/or rural medical services, or ensuring or improving access to quality medical care in a rural setting.

Entries should be emailed to Patrick Daley at media@rdaa.com.au and Linda Huf at office@rdaa.com.au by the closing date above. Receipt of entries will be acknowledged by return email.

If you have any questions regarding the award, please contact RDAA on 02 6239 7730.