Plugging the Indigenous Health Training Gaps to Help Close the Gap

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Population
- 211,194  (ABS 2011)
- 56,777 identifying as Aboriginal.
- 33% reside remote communities (209)

NTGPE 2013
• 102 GP Registrars
• 1,110 weeks of PGPPP (ie approx 100)
• 90 John Flynn Scholars
KEY:

- PGPPP only
- PGPPP & GPR
- Could be ‘opened up’
The components of a successful IHT post

- Supervision
- Community Resources
- Imagination
The components of a successful IHT post

- Clinic
- Supervision
- GPR
- Community

Resources - $$
Clinic Challenges

Accommodation presence, sustainability, infrastructure funding, maintenance

Clinic Space

Community Happenings
The components of a successful IHT post

- Clinic
- Supervision
- GPR
- Community

Resources - $\$$
Supervision

• Usually 1:1
• Leave
• Prof Devt
• Supervision Team
Supervision

• When Supervisor away - Team approach
The components of a successful IHT post

- Clinic
- Supervision
- GPR
- Community

Resources - $$
GPR - marketing
GPR: Challenging fears
GPR

• Compulsory Post in IHT
  – Change management – range, supported
  – Flexibility : 2 days per week for 6 months

Effect:

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The components of a successful IHT post

- Clinic
- Supervision
- GPR
- Community

Resources - $$
Community

- AHW
- Cultural Mentors
- Sustainability
- Program Education
The components of a successful IHT post

Clinic  Supervision  GPR  Community

Resources - $$
GPR Running Costs

Cost of GPT2 on Elcho Island
- ECTV
- Accreditation visit
- Supervisor education
- Transport to GPR workshop
- Additional courses etc 4WD

- approx $16 000 additional per term compared with Darwin
Cost of average 10-13 week placement (from 7 IHT placements 2012)

- flights
- accommodation
- Practice payments
- Salary reimbursement

= $91 000
Imagination

• Public Health / clinical mixed

• Prison health

• Fly in fly out

• Health promotion
Summary

- It is really possible to increase the IHT sites
- It does require
  - Flexibility
  - Imagination
  - Responsiveness
- RESOURCING

- REFLECTION
It is really possible to increase the IHT sites. It does require flexibility, imagination, and responsiveness.

RESOURCING

REFLECTION