

Multi-disciplinary Program

# Dealing with Depression in Rural Australia

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### Audience

Multi-disciplinary; Counsellors; GP Registrars; GPs; Mental Health Nurse; Psychologists; Social Workers.

# **Duration & Format**

8-hours
Face to face
(plus morning tea, lunch,
and afternoon tea)

# **Topics**

# Topic 1:

Assessment & Diagnosis **Topic 2:** 

Management

# Time, Location, Cost?

Saturday, 9 December 2023 9:00AM - 5:00PM Club Forbes, Function Room, 41-43 Templar Street Forbes NSW 2871 FREE - This activity is funded by the Western NSW PHN for GPs/AHPs in the Western NSW region.

### Description

Depression is a common condition frequently managed in primary care. Identifying and managing depression in a rural context presents a unique set of challenges for health professionals providing mental health care in their communities.

Dealing with Depression in Rural Australia is a highly interactive, multidisciplinary program developed specifically to address the needs of clinicians delivering health care for people presenting with depression in a rural setting.

Using a case-based problem solving format, the program outlines a practical framework for assessment and management planning readily applicable to primary care.

# Learning Outcomes

- Differentiate between the differing sub-types of clinical depression
- Recognise the contribution of biological, social and psychological factors to the current depressive episode
- · Assess and manage risk in the depressed patient
- Select pharmacological treatment best suited to the individual patient
- Develop a comprehensive mental health treatment plan derived from the formulation of the depressive episode

# Accreditation

- 8 CPD hrs incl. 4 hrs Educational Activity & 4 hrs Reviewing Performance (RACGP & ACRRM)
- Mental Health Skills Training (GPMHSC)

This workshop is eligible for one day of funding under the Emergency Medicine component of the Rural Procedural Grants Program (GPs)







