## Australian Health Review call for papers

## Health professional education

The Editor of *Australian Health Review* invites contributions for an upcoming issue on health professional education.

Submission deadline: 6 February 2007

It is expected that tertiary education and research for health professionals will be the focus of substantial change over the next couple of years. The health professional workforce has been the subject of recent studies in Australia and New Zealand. The New Zealand Health Workforce Advisory Committee has focused on ensuring an effective strategic framework and outlined seven principles comprising equity and appropriateness, strategic and sustainable supply, healthy workplaces, collaborative practice, effective education, stakeholder involvement and information and monitoring.<sup>1</sup> In Australia, the Productivity Commission made strong recommendations directed at improving health professional education to enhance coordination, reduce practice barriers and address shortages of health professionals.<sup>2</sup>

To help inform policy and practice, *Australian Health Review* is looking to publish feature articles, research papers, case studies and commentaries related to health professional education. Potential topic areas include:

- Addressing health workforce challenges
- Multidisciplinary professional practice and interdisciplinary education
- Management education and clinician managers
- Evidence-based education
- Sector-based approaches to education and training
- Partnerships and social change
- Impact of national education and research policy on health professional education.

Submissions related to international programs with lessons for Australia and New Zealand will also be welcomed.

Submissions can be short commentaries of 1000 to 2000 words, or more comprehensive reviews of 2000 to 4000 words. Please consult the *AHR Guidelines for Authors* for information on formatting and submission.

- 1 Health Workforce Advisory Committee. Strategic principles for workforce development in New Zealand. Wellington, New Zealand: HWAC, 2005.
- 2 Australian Government Productivity Commission. Australia's health workforce. Productivity Commission Research Report. Canberra: Productivity Commission, 2005. □

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