

Technology, Benefits Rural Health Practitioner's Isolation

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Evidence to support this claim

Reduce Personal and Professional Isolation

Online Distance Learning

Videoconferencing

Conference and journal
presentations

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Postgraduate course run totally through the distance medium

Example
Rural Nurse
From Pitt Island
Successfully
Studied and completed
the course
(published in
The Practice Nurse Journal)

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Pilot Project

Between, School of Nursing, OP,
Telecom, Otago Community Trust, Otago Rural High Schools (elearning)

Entered into a 6 month project

Offering videoconferencing facilities

For rural nurses (at the local rural high schools in Otago) to undertake

Case Studies

Peer Review

Networking

Education

Supervision

Joined by School of Midwifery, OP
Case Reviews and Networking



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Joint Conference presentation
given by myself & the rural nurse situated on Pitt Island
(using technology)
Followed up with a joint publication in
The Practice Nurse Journal

Joint publications
From pilot project
The Practice Nurse Journal
& *Rural & Remote Health*
(Online Journal)

Opportunity...Rural Web Page



How...

- Rural Innovative Funding (\$50,000) seeding grant to help set it up- discussed and Ministry of Health interested
- Education Institutions inc Otago Polytechnic
- Teaching & Learning Innovation
- Other...

Woth Whom?

- Rural High Schools
- Schools of Nursing
- Schools of Midwifery
- Schools of Occupational Health
- Design (John Andrews based in Central, Peter Brooke, Sam Mann)
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Education

Rural Web Page

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Online Education
Postgrad, Undergrad,
Continuing

Videosonferencing/Skip
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Case conferences
Supervision
Mentoring

Online Resources, inc
Journal and Textbook