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# Evolution of a Curriculum During Three years of Intern General Practice Placements in SA



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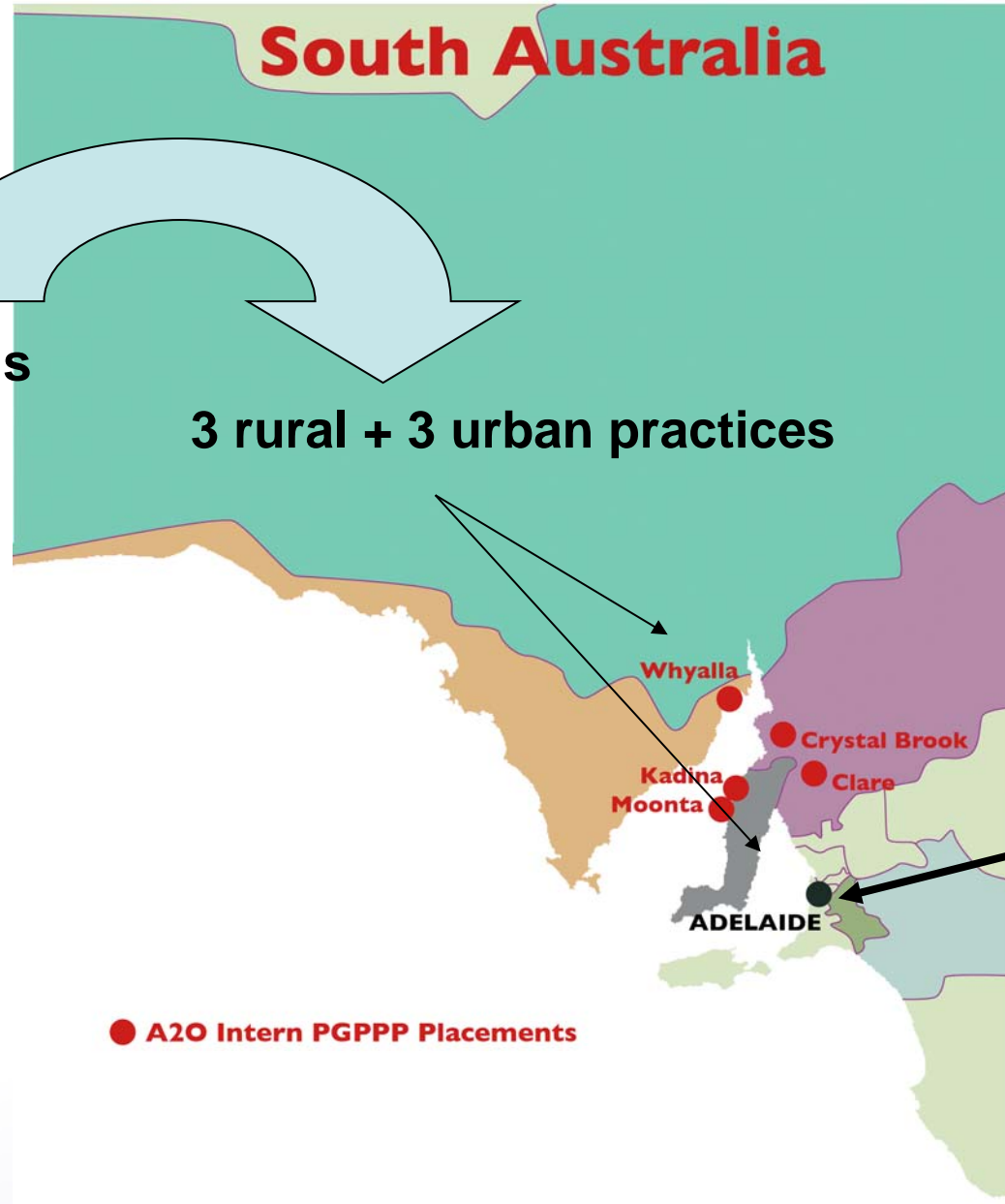
## Why interns in General Practice?

- **Prevocational General Practice Placements Program (PGPPP)**
  - Identified need for doctors in rural, remote and outer metropolitan regions.
  - A valuable training ground for interns, PGY2-3.
  - Highlights general practice as a career option.
- **General Practice a core intern rotation in SA**



**90 Interns**

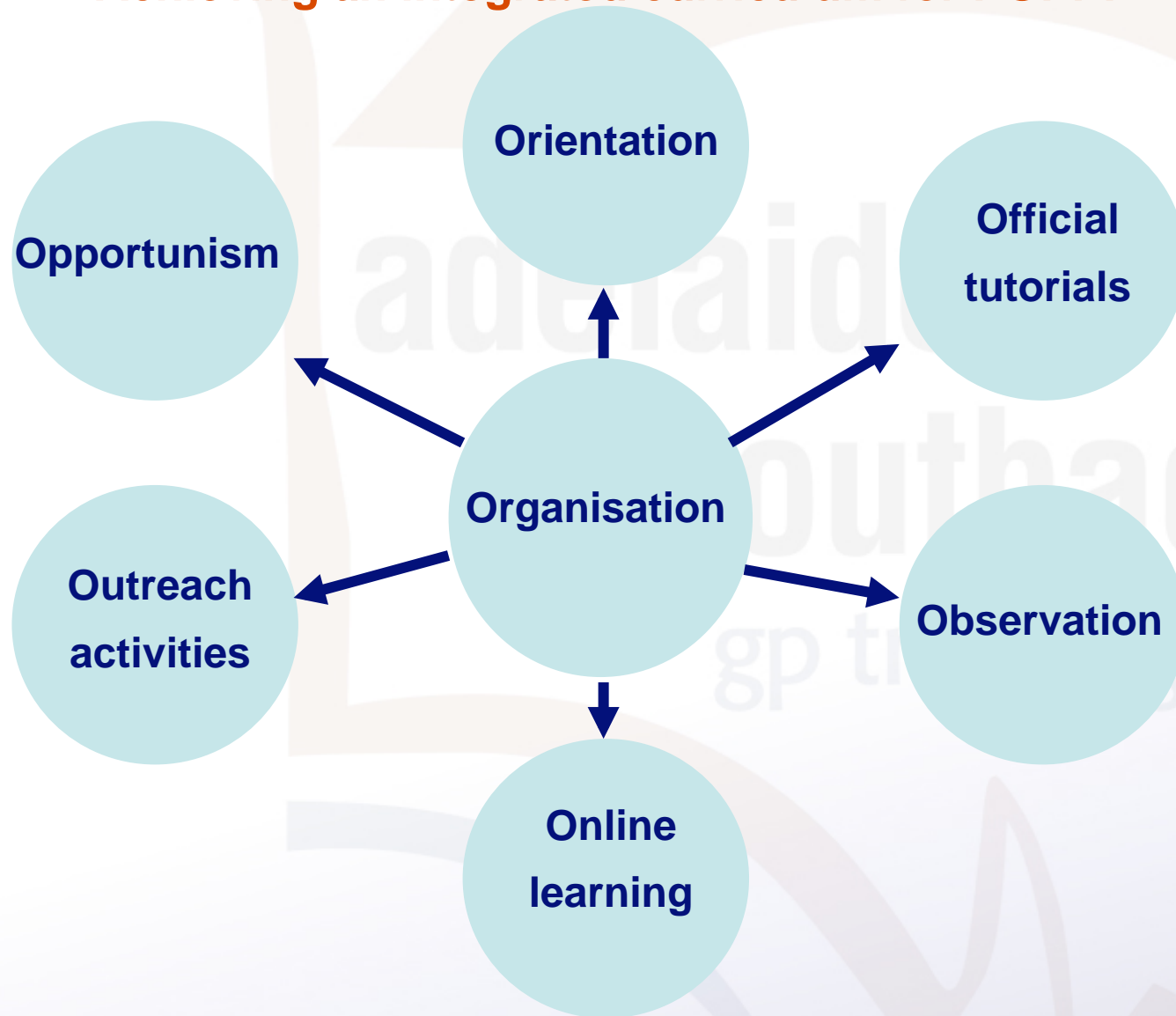
**3 rural + 3 urban practices**

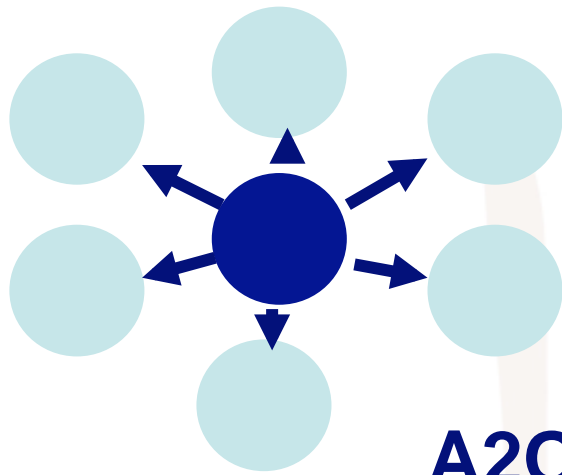


**4 Feeder Hospitals**

# The 7 'O's Framework

Achieving an integrated curriculum for PGPPP





# Organisation



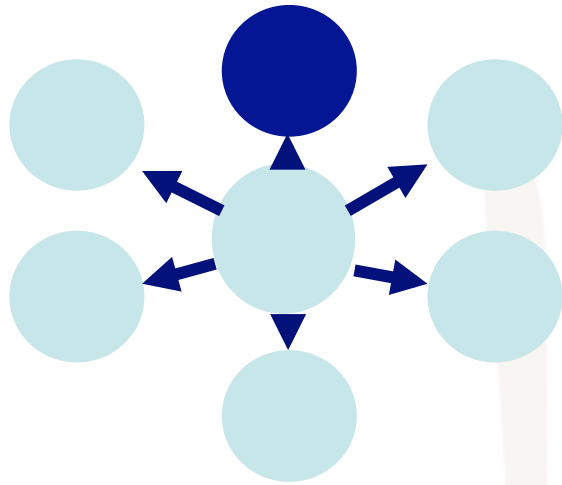
**A2O**

**Feeder hospitals**

**Practices**

**Interns**

- **Clinical Training Portfolio**
- **Self-directed learning**
- **Time management**



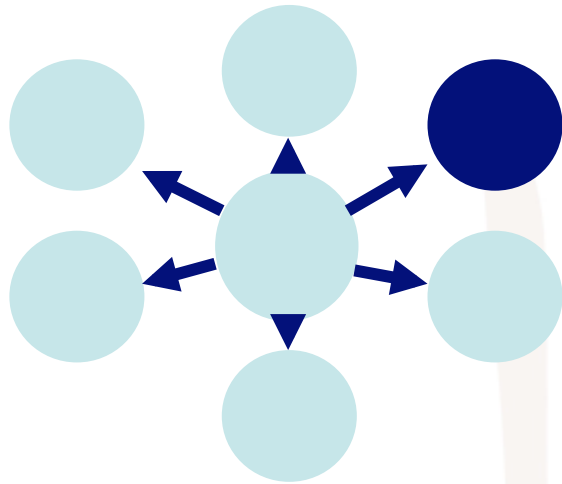
# Orientation



## 3 Tier Orientation

- Feeder Hospital
- A2O
  - PGPPP Coordinator & MEs – 2-day orientation
- Practice, local hospital & community

## Intern handover



## Official tutorials

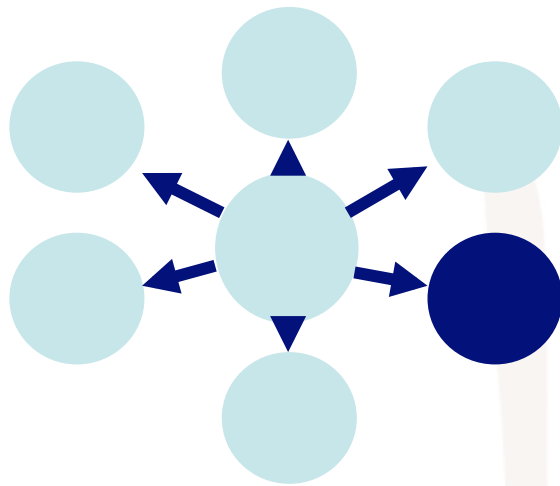


### Quarantined time

- Mentoring & admin tutorial time
- Clinical teaching tutorials
  - *A2O developing tutorial modules for Practice based teaching*

### Feeder Hospital tutorials

- video-conference links for rural based interns



# Observation

## Intern observe Supervisors

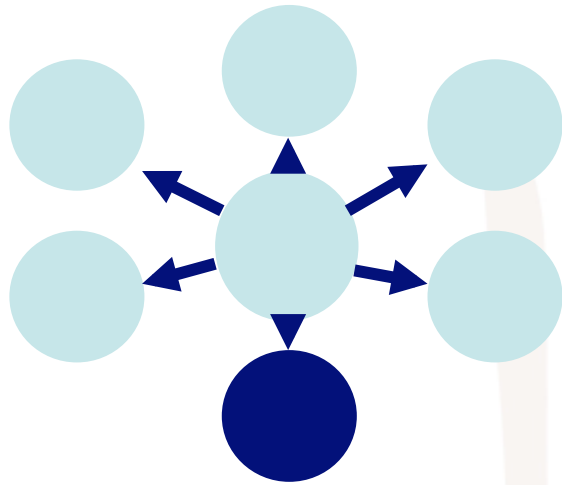
- various styles; role models

## Supervisors observe interns

- directly/video
- guidance & feedback

## Practice Education visits

- Hospital GP Coordinator visit
- A2O Medical Educator visit



# Online learning



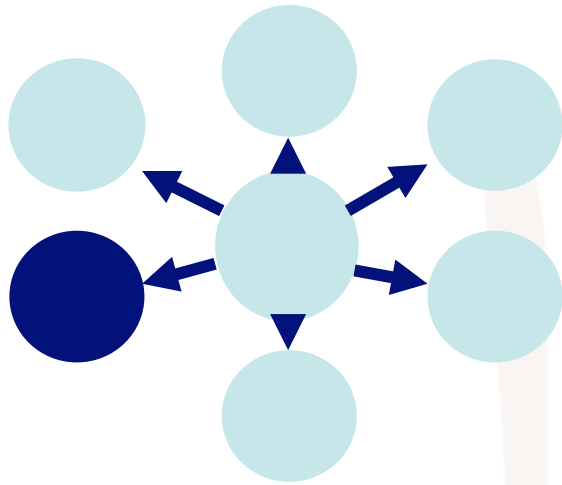
## Way of the future

- Rapid rise in medical knowledge
- Rise in use of evidence based medicine

## UpToDate

- First joint RTP-Practice site subscription
- Evaluation shows enhances junior doctor training in GP

*See A2O poster*



## Outreach activities

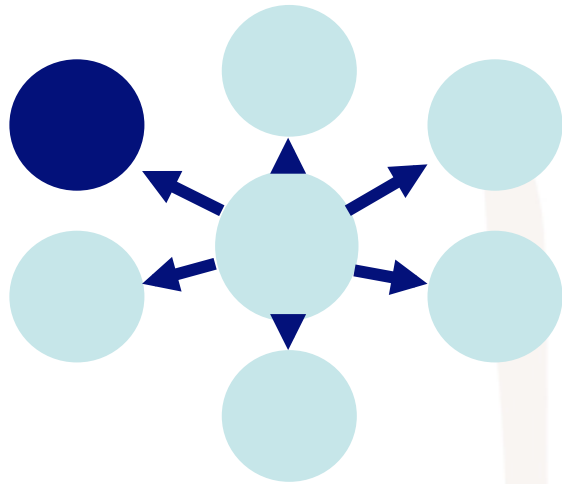


### Rural hospitals

- Admissions
- Theatre & anaesthetics assisting
- Hospital on-call under supervision

### Nursing homes

### Registrar Directed Learning sessions



# Opportunism



## Rich learning environment

- Case discussions
- Procedures
- Allied health, visiting specialists
- Teaching students/nurses



# The 7 'O's Framework

## Evolving curriculum model for PGPPP placements

### Conceptual framework

- Balancing & prioritising
- Flexible

### Integrated training

- Self-directed
- Information based
- Latest technologies
- Experiential
- Reflective



*Delivery acknowledges Australian Curriculum Framework for Junior Doctors (2006), RACGP & ACRRM requirements.*