



Name	Rural trainee travel bursary
Purpose	Supports trainees based in remote locations (MM4–MM7 in Australia or R2 in Aotearoa New Zealand) to attend the RANZCP Congress. The bursary may be used in 2026 or 2027 at the choice of the recipient. This is a one-off bursary.
Funding source	Donation of remaining funds from the NSW Country Psychiatrists' Association (upon being wound up), supplemented by additional Foundation funds.
Number offered	Twelve bursaries, each valued at \$1,000.
Eligibility	Open to RANZCP trainees who are in good standing, and are on rotation, in 2026, in MM4- MM7 in Australia, or R1-32 in Aotearoa New Zealand.
Conditions	The bursary is intended to support travel costs for attending Congress. Recipients are responsible for all other expenses. Recipients must <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visit and register at the Rural Psychiatry Training Pathways Lounge during Congress, and - Submit a 200-word report within six months. If funding is used for travel to Congress in 2027, the recipient must still be on rotation in a rural or remote area.
Applications	Applicant Statement (300 words): How you support psychiatry training or practice in rural locations (examples encouraged). Submit via the online portal by the due date.
Selection process & criteria	The selection panel will comprise three members of the RANZCP Foundation Committee. Panel members will review and score blinded applications, then recommend recipients to the Foundation Committee for approval. Applications will be assessed primarily on demonstrated commitment to rural psychiatry, with additional consideration, where relevant, for applicants who indicate financial need or involvement in the Congress program.
Key dates	Open: Monday, 19 January 2026 Close: Friday, 20 February 2026 Outcome: Friday, 6 March 2026 Funding available until: 30 June 2027
Terms	Recipients must accept a formal letter of offer. Recipients can claim the bursary via an expense re-imbursement. Claims will be processed after confirmation of Congress registration has been provided by the recipient.

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Contact:	Manager, RANZCP Foundation		
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