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Short Courses invest in family and child health



In 2019, 24 participants completed the first Australia Awards Short Course in Family and Child Health, delivered by Queensland University of Technology in Australia.



100 per cent completion rate



Two-thirds of participants female



Participants from 13 PNG provinces

The Australia Awards Short Course in Family and Child Health empowered participants to develop their knowledge and practical skills to support positive health outcomes for families and communities across PNG.

Participants achieved an internationally recognised qualification and the skills to drive change and make lasting contributions to healthcare and PNG's development priorities.

The first-ever Australia Awards Certificate in Family and Child Health - Planning and Administration was delivered in 2019 by Queensland University of Technology.

The Short Course supported participants to deliver evidence-based healthcare services and plan strategically for their workplaces and communities. It included two blocks of full-time study in Australia, pre- and post course workshops in PNG and work-based projects in areas such as immunisation, family planning and reproductive health.

Participants represented a range of PNG Provincial Health Authorities, Government agencies, civil society and the private sector. This included officers from the National Department of Health and provincial general hospitals.

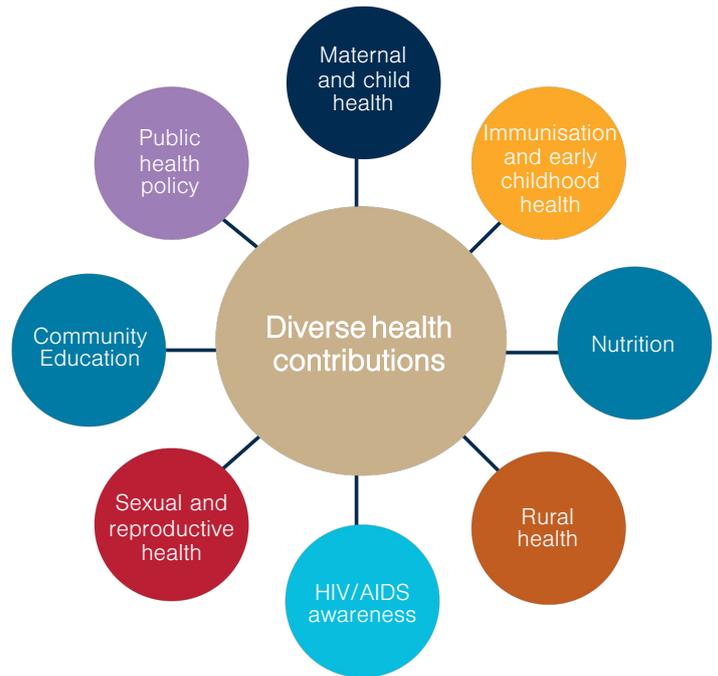




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Since completing the Short Course, participants have been applying their skills in meaningful ways across Papua New Guinea's health sector:



The Short Course broadened our skills and knowledge to deliver improved frontline health services, addressing key indicators in PNG's National Health Plan.

Short Course Award participant Joe Komba



Since returning to my workplace, I've started an immunisation program at Kundiawa General Hospital. We provide vaccinations for all children under five years of age, supporting family health.

Short Course Award participant



Every subject taught was very informative, inclusive and comprehensive. The content was supported by visits we made to hospitals and other health facilities.

Short Course Award participant Elizabeth Noah-Kaninini (above left)

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