Charles Sturt University’s mission is to ensure that there is a comprehensive range of highly qualified health professionals available to meet the health service needs of inland communities and to conduct research and develop strategies to promote healthy inland communities and lifestyles.

OUR OBJECTIVES
Charles Sturt University will focus on the following set of inter-linked objectives to achieve its mission:

**Help to Address Inland Health Labour Force Needs**
Deliver the most comprehensive range of high quality health education programs possible in areas of identified labour force need across inland Australia.

**Expand Access for Inland Students**
Develop flexible entry pathways, and innovate with new technology in our distance and clinical education, to expand the participation of students from regional, smaller regional and remote communities in University health programs.

**Support the Retention of Health Professionals in Inland Australia**
Integrate into the design and delivery of our programs strategies that support the retention of qualified health graduates and professionals in inland Australia.

**Prepare Graduates for Clinical Practice in Inland Communities**
Ensure students are employment ready by maximising clinical experience opportunities and innovating in clinical simulation; develop and implement learning approaches that prepare students for rural practice, including the promotion of inter-professional learning, and; equip our health graduates with the knowledge, understanding, and skills they require to operate as culturally sensitive practitioners across Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and other cultures.

**Promote Innovative Approaches to Practice**
Support health career pathways, paraprofessional health careers and appropriate opportunities for expanded scope of practice to address health labour force needs.

**Help to Address Health Services Needs**
Identify opportunities in the delivery of teaching and research for the University to provide, or support, clinical services in areas of labour force shortage in inland communities.

**Conduct Research that Addresses the Health Needs of Inland Australia**
Conduct research that addresses key health issues for inland communities, including the development of programs to promote healthy lifestyles, deepen community resilience, prevent ill-health and support early diagnosis and intervention.

**Work with Our Communities and Professions for a Healthy Future**
Develop strategic relationships with key stakeholders to share information, improve coordination, reduce waste and duplication, empower inland communities and promote professional networks that support quality delivery and retention of health practitioners.