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Biography:

Professor Steve Trumble is Head of the Department of Medical Education in the Melbourne Medical School, University of Melbourne. A General Practitioner (Family Physician) by specialist training, Professor Trumble has responsibility for the university's Doctor of Medicine program, which graduates 350 junior doctors annually.

A medical graduate of Monash University in Victoria, Australia, Professor Trumble has pursued an academic career since completing his vocational training in the Victorian city of Geelong. He established an academic unit to improve the health care of people with developmental disabilities in the 1990's and wrote his doctoral thesis on the vocational training needs of doctors caring for that vulnerable population. He then became State and later National Director of Australia's general practice training program, before arriving at the University of Melbourne in 2002. Professor Trumble has served as the Editor in Chief of 'Australian Family Physician' (the journal of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners) and 'The Clinical Teacher', published by the Association for the Study of Medical Education in the United Kingdom. He chairs the federal Minister for Health's General Practice Training Advisory Committee.

Amongst Professor Trumble's responsibilities is the development of the Melbourne Medical School's E.X.C.I.T.E. (Excellence in Clinical Teaching) program, which encompasses a suite of degrees and short courses to provide busy clinicians with an academic basis and practical skills for the clinical teaching and supervision work that increasingly forms a large part of the clinician's role. Further information about the program is available at excite.mdhs.unimelb.edu.au.

After working as a General Practitioner throughout metropolitan and rural Australia, Professor Trumble now provides medical services to remote Aboriginal communities on three week visits.