

**Submission
No 165**

**INQUIRY INTO VETERINARY WORKFORCE SHORTAGE
IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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I'm unsure of what a submission should entail however I feel as though this is an appropriate place to communicate to the reader that I feel as though I can assist in putting forward ideas and developing strategies to help this situation. Background: I am 30 years old, I studied at CSU wagga, I have been practising for 4 years and have recently bought into a partnership. I feel as though I have a solid foundation regarding the plethora of issues present in our industry. From Skills shortages, to physical vet shortages the issue arises from the ground roots - I can comment with fair justification here given that I have graduated recently while also having enough industry experience. By ground roots I mean universities, the flow on effects are then seen every day in every clinic in the country. It's a hard slog every day and the universities are not preparing us for what is coming once we graduate. I could ascend into the abyss regarding all of the matter individually and am happy to do so if required - more than happy to discuss further. Again I apologise if this blurb is not appropriate for what a 'submission' generally is. I hope this brief overview is of some help. Kindest regards, Ryan