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The **Clinical Education Model** reflects a unique and creative partnership between Southern Cross University and North Coast Area Health Service which supports and strengthens the Undergraduate Bachelor of Nursing Degree Program, Southern Cross University.

This innovative Model introduces the role of a Clinical Teacher Leader (CTL) and highlights the positive outcomes, growth and development achieved through creative program management, celebrating inventive solutions to improving nursing education and professional development.

The Clinical Education Model and CTL appointment has successfully strengthened the undergraduate student nurse experience and enhanced existing workplace practice arrangements. It also facilitates greater opportunity for inter-professional learning and community based education, displaying the positive benefits of strategic collaboration between health care systems and the university sector.