

Tuesday 6 September 2011 - Issue 10-11/12

**INVITATION TO REGISTRARS, GPS, PRACTICE NURSES AND
PRACTICE STAFF**

'Introduction To Medicare Benefit Schedule Items'

When: Tuesday 20 September 2011, 9.00 am – 11.00 am

Where: Murray-Plains Division of General Practice, Board Room,
13 Percy Street Echuca.

Registrations close 12 September 2012. Please see attached flyer for more
information and registration details or contact Daria Atkinson on 5481 1300 or at
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**HOW GOOD IS YOUR KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE EVIDENCE BASE ON THE
HEALTH BENEFITS OF WORK?**

**DO YOU KNOW HOW GPS AND PNS CAN BEST ASSIST YOUR PATIENTS TO
SUCCESSFULLY RETURN TO WORK?**

This evidence base is presented in an Australasian Consensus Statement on the Health Benefits of Work developed by the Australasian Faculty of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (AFOEM) of The Royal Australasian College of Physicians. The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) is a signatory to the Australasian Consensus Statement. For more information see:
www.healthbenefitsofwork.com.au

General Practice Victoria is supporting the campaign by coordinating the distribution of the materials through the divisions of general practice.

Practices can expect a package of information in the week 12-17 September including:

- Letter to GP(s) from Professor Claire Jackson, President of RACGP, about the evidence, and the GP role in supporting injured or ill patients to return to work
- Letter to Practice Manager from Professor Claire Jackson, President of RACGP RACGP, explaining what is in the package
- An information leaflet about the evidence base on the health benefits of work and the Consensus Statement
- Practice poster(s)
- Post-it notepad(s)

If you have any queries, the contact for the program at General Practice Victoria is Dan Miles (9341 5252) d.miles@gpv.org.au

**20th VICTORIAN RURAL DOCTORS CONFERENCE – LANCEMORE HILL,
LANCEFIELD 14-16 OCTOBER 2011**

Please refer to the attached flyer for more information. Updates, conference program, booking forms, progress and payments will be available on
www.rdav.com.au Communications to rdavconference@gmail.com

ASTHMA TIME FOR ACTION

Asthma patients are being urged to see their GP and ensure they have an up to date asthma action plan as part of the National Asthma Council's National Asthma Week campaign.

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AUSTRALIAN DOCTOR INTERNAL MEDICINE SEMINAR

The Australian Doctor presents its next seminar, designed by GPs for GPs, on Internal Medicine. Taking place in **Melbourne on 10th September** and in **Albury-Wodonga on the 15th October**. Early bird rates are on offer. The seminar has been submitted to the RACGP QI&CPD Program and the ACCRM PDP Program for accreditation. This is a popular seminar so book now to secure your place at www.australiandoctor.com.au/seminars/InternalMedicine2011.htm Flyer available from MPDGP – email twilson@mpdgp.com or telephone 54811300 for a copy.

BEYONDBLUE FREE ONLINE MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS WORKING WITH PREGNANT WOMEN AND MOTHERS

Beyondblue: the national depression initiative has produced a FREE accredited online mental health training program for health professional working with women in the Perinatal period (during pregnancy and the first year after birth). The program – *'Beyond babyblues: Detecting and managing Perinatal mental health disorders in primary care'* is the first of its kind in Australia and will provide health professionals – including midwives, GPs, obstetricians and maternal, child and family health care workers – with extra training and skills to understand, detect, treat and manage mental health conditions. To find out more about the online training, visit www.thinkgp.com.au/beyondblue

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE GENERAL PRACTICE AND PRIMARY HEALTH CARE ACADEMIC CENTRE INVITATION: Short Course – 'Research and Evaluation of Sensitive Issues for Vulnerable Groups' 13 – 14 October 2011

This two-day intensive course aims to assist participants to develop skills in designing and running research and evaluation projects on sensitive topics. It will also enable participants to reflect on their own projects and to build a network of potential collaborators.

The focus will be on vulnerable populations and sensitive issues, and a range of academic and community-based researchers will provide examples from their work in violence, mental health, sexual health, research with children, and research with same-sex attracted people.

If you would like a copy of the flyer and application form please contact Terri Wilson at MPDGP via twilson@mpdgp.com.au or 54811300.

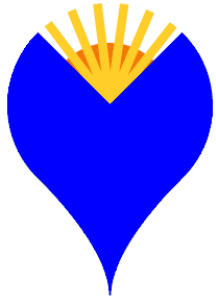
INCREASED MEDICARE AUDIT POWERS

Medicare Australia has written to all GPs to announce that the recently enacted **amendments** to compliance legislation are now being enforced. Practitioners can be compelled to produce patient records to back up claims and face fines for non-cooperation.



DID YOU KNOW???

There are 10,981 registered nurses working in general practice.



Murray-Plains
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Invitation to Registrars, GPs, Practice Nurses and Practice Staff

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**Tuesday, 20th September, 2011
9:00am-11:00am**

**Murray-Plains Division of General Practice
Board Room, 13 Percy Street, Echuca**

This session is a brief overview for new practice staff on

- **The common Medicare Item numbers in General Practice**
- **Chronic Disease Management MBS item numbers**
- **Health Prevention MBS item numbers**
- **PIP and SIP payments**
- **the effective use of Medical Director/Best Practice**

Registrations must be received by September 12th 2011

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Medical Practice Consultants Pty Ltd

20th Victorian Rural Doctors Conference

Lancemore Hill Lancefield 14-16th October 2011

Contact => www.rdav.com.au
rdavconference@gmail.com

Prof Rebecca Mason
Dinner Speaker: Peter Norden AO
Minister Davis attending Friday

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Friday

Emergency Skills training (Procedural Grant)

- AM: Oral, Dental, Stroke, TIA
- PM: - Skills stations (20 places)
- Mirena training
- Suture workshop for students

Family Dinner and Entertainment

Practice Managers at the Grange

Saturday

Lectures: Urogenital, Prostate, Pleuritic chest pain, Sick Child, Rural survey of blood product availability, musculoskeletal, osteoporosis.

EMED ultrasound workshop all day (Procedural Gr)

Musculoskeletal workshop

Gala Dinner, Band, Peter Norden Speaker

Friday Saturday ACRRM Rural Emergency Skills Training Course (REST) (Procedural Grant)

Sunday

Geriatrics, Vulval conditions, Vitamin D

Practice management for doctors

MUST BOOK THESE AHEAD

REST (Through ACRRM)

MIRENA training

EMED ultrasound workshop (20)

Friday PM Emergency skill-stations (20)

Implanon NXT training

PRESENTERS

Rebecca Mason

John Murtagh

Jill Rosenblatt (Murtagh)

David Vivien

Ross Pagano

Stroke clinical network

ACRRM REST

EMED Ultrasound workshop

Kathy McNamee

Tim Baker

Janelle Brenan

Quentin Tiballs

Sue Harrison

Mark Zagorski

John Griffiths

Mike Moynihan

Daily political session

Passport Competition

Affordable Family and spouse programs

Dinners: Hallal, Vegetarian, gluten and lactose free options

Practice managers workshop Friday at The Grange Lancefield.

Lancemore Hill is a large attractive conference centre set in hilly countryside 7 Km from Kilmore on the Lancefield road with plenty of amenities and 70 rooms.

www.lancemore.com.au. A list of alternative accommodation is available on the RDAV website.

Updates, conference program booking forms, progress and payments will be available on www.rdav.com.au. Communications to rdavconference@gmail.com