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UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

Thursday 4

Aboriginal Asthma
Education and Spirometry,
Njernda Aboriginal Medical
Centre,
Echuca 9:00am-1:00pm

Wednesday 10

VMPF – Drug and Alcohol
in Young People,
Kerang District Health,
Kerang 7:00pm

*If you would like further
details on any of these
events, please do not
hesitate to contact
Daria Atkinson on
5481 1300 or email
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DO YOU KNOW A DOCTOR WHO STANDS OUT IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

RWAV wants to know - so we can say "thank you" at the 2011 Victorian Rural Doctors' Awards.

You can nominate a doctor who has:

- contributed 35 years or more service to rural communities, or
- made an outstanding contribution to rural communities, or
- worked in rural health for less than two years and demonstrated strong community engagement.

Complete your nomination form at www.rwav.com.au/awards or call (03) 9349 7800 for more information. Nominations close Friday 5 August 2011.

GENERAL PRACTITIONER PROCEDURAL TRAINING SUPPORT PROGRAM ANAESTHETICS

Interested in undertaking procedural training in Anaesthetics? \$40,000 Commonwealth Subsidy available to eligible GPs!

Funded by the Australian Government, the program awards a select number of rural GPs with a \$40,000 Commonwealth subsidy to undertake training in anaesthetics.

Applications open for the Anaesthetics component of the General Practitioner Procedural Training Support Program (GPPTSP) on **Friday, 1 July 2011**. Applications close on **Sunday, 31 July 2011**. For more information, visit <https://www.acrrm.org.au/gpptsp> or email ACRRM at gpptsp@acrrm.org.au

WORKSHOP: PROSTATE CANCER AND GENERAL PRACTICE, - Friday 5 August 2011

As part of the 12th Australasian Prostate Cancer Conference (3-5 August 2011) at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, the RACGP Victoria Faculty, the University of Melbourne and the Australian Prostate Cancer Research Centre present a workshop dealing with the challenging areas of prostate cancer care. International prostate cancer experts will join with leading figures from General Practice within Australia to update GPs on the best advice to give patients who are concerned about prostate cancer.

This workshop is a component of an Active Learning Module (ALM) to be approved by the RACGP QI&CPD program in the 2011-2013 triennium. Completion of all ALM components will entitle participants to 40 category 1 points.

For more information and to view the program, visit: <http://www.prostate2011.org> or call 03 9682 0244.

GENERAL PAEDIATRICS UPDATE – Saturday morning at the RCH

- Saturday 6 August, 9:00am – 12:00noon at the Royal Children's Hospital.
- Learning areas include UTI's and nocturnal enuresis, the crying infant and recurrent abdominal pain in young children.
- Lead GP Division is Northern – all GPs welcome. RACGP accredited (pending).
- See website for more info on learning areas & speakers and to register: www.rch.org.au/kidsconnect/edu.cfm?doc_id=14757

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DIABETES AUSTRALIA – VIC PRESENTS 'GETTING STARTED'

A diabetes information session for people with type 2 diabetes who are newly diagnosed or have not had diabetes education in the past. The 3.5 hour session is run by our diabetes educator and dietitian, who will provide you with valuable information to get you started managing your diabetes. Information sessions are held at DA–Vic Head Office, 570 Elizabeth Street, Level 1 (stairs only) Melbourne. Cost is \$10 for DA–Vic members, or \$15 for non-members. No referral is required but bookings are essential. For enquiries or to register, please phone the Diabetes Infoline on 1300 136 588. **The next information session is on Thursday 21 July 2011 from 1.00pm-4.30pm.** Encourage your patients to register and *Get Started*.



DID YOU KNOW???

In 2009-10, there were: 8.6 million hospitalisations in public and private hospitals; 7.4 million presentations to accident and emergency departments, and 70% of patients were seen within recommended times for their triage category.

See: <http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=10737418683>