



# Events on Time

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December | 2009

## **Implementation of Mental Health Skills Training for General Practitioners: 2009-10 Budget Measure New Medicare Item Numbers**

The 2009-10 Federal Budget included the introduction of a new Medicare item for GP's who have not completed accredited Mental Health Skills Training from 1 January 2010.

What is the new MBS item for GP's who have not completed Mental Health Skills Training? As of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010, a new Medicare number (2702) will be introduced for GP's who have NOT completed accredited Mental Health Skills Training, with a schedule fee of \$125.95 for developing a Mental Health Treatment Plan.

GP's who HAVE completed Mental Health Skills Training accredited by the General Practice Mental Health Standards Collaboration (GPMHSC) will continue to be able to access item (2710) with a current schedule fee of \$160.45 for developing a Mental Health Treatment Plan. By 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2009 the GPMHSC will provide Medicare Australia with a list of those GP's who have completed the requisite training and are therefore eligible to access the higher schedule fee. Those GP's who are not on this list will only be able to access the new item 2702 with a lower schedule fee.

What are the requirements for new item (2702)? They are the same as 2710. In developing a Mental Health Treatment Plan under either item number 2710 or 2702, GP's are required to undertake a comprehensive assessment of the patients mental health needs and record that assessment and diagnosis in the plan.

For further information please contact Kristie Milloy at SPHN on 3290 3733.



**SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network looks forward to seeing you all at our events.**



## SPHN Events Coming Up...



### **Perinatal Meet and Greet** Expression of Interest

The National Perinatal Meet and Greet Initiative aims to improve the prevention and early detection of antenatal and postnatal depression, and to provide better care, support and treatment for expectant and new mothers experiencing Perinatal depression.

Logan Hospital will be working with SPHN and will provide a guest speaker for the meeting – so be quick to register your interest as seats are limited. Please complete the form below and fax back to Kristie Milloy at Southeast Primary Healthcare Network on 3290 3144 or for further information please call 3290 3733.



## Conferences & Workshops...

### **Young Parent Playgroup**

**Date:** Every Wednesday  
**Venue:** Kingston East Neighbourhood Group, 177 Meakin Road, Slacks Creek

For further information, please contact Kingston East Neighbourhood Group on 3808 1684.

### **Home Interactive Program for Parents & Youngsters ~ HIPPY**

**Date:** commences in December 2009  
**Venue:** Kingston East Neighbourhood Group, 177 Meakin Road, Slacks Creek

HIPPY is a 2 year (60 weeks) home-based early childhood enrichment program. HIPPY helps parents to understand more about child development and the way children learn. HIPPY Logan Central is open to families who live in Logan Central, hold a valid Health Care Card and have a child who is eligible to commence prep school in 2011.

For further information, please contact Kingston East Neighbourhood on 3808 1684.

### **Preventing & Managing Childhood Obesity** RCNA CNE Points: 10.5

**Date:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010  
**Venue:** The Pavilion, Allan Border Field, 1 Bogan Street, Breakfast Creek, Brisbane

This program is designed for registered nurses who want to be better informed about evidence-based prevention and intervention approaches. Learn about how to work effectively with the children themselves, their parents and the school environment.

For further information, please contact Ausmed Conferences on (03) 9375 7299.

**Tick boxes of Special Events that you would like to attend...**

**Perinatal Meet and Greet**

Please contact Kristie Milloy on 3290 3733.

**Optimal Health Diabetes Top Up Program**

Please contact Sarah Gruber on 3290 3733.

## Registration Form for Special Events

**Name:**

**Practice/Organisation:**

**Position Held:**

**Work Address:**

**Postcode:**

**Telephone:**

**Email:**

**Attending event:**

**\*RSVP by fax to 3290 3144**

**Special dietary requirements:**

