



Events on Time

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Friday 2nd April | 2010



Linking Indigenous People (LIP) Program



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network's Linking Indigenous People (LIP) Program would like to invite members of your practice or organisation to a meet and greet dinner and entertainment evening with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations, community members, Elders from the Logan area and SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network Directors and Team members.

Date: Thursday 3 June, 2010.
Time: 6pm to 9pm
Venue: Logan Entertainment Centre

Guest speakers will include Elders from Logan, Vice Chair and CEO of SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network, Medicare Australia representative to discuss PIP (Practice Incentives Program) Indigenous Health Incentives and Cultural Awareness Information.

A three course dinner and entertainment from local Indigenous dancers will also be provided. If you could please let me know via post, email or fax if you would be interested in attending this free Linking Indigenous People meet and greet networking dinner and how many people from your organisation would like to attend by Friday 9th April, 2010.

For further information please contact Tamara Nikolaou at SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network on 3290 3733 or e:tnikolaou@sphn.org.au.

SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network looks forward to seeing you at our events!



SPHN Events Coming Up...

Smoking Cessation

Are you doing enough in general practice?

This lecture will reinforce the motivation for smoking cessation treatment, counselling and interventions. Primary care providers are in a unique position to assist patients with quitting smoking. Renee Bittoun is an Associate Professor at University of Sydney and she will provide tools for smoking cessation, with practical tips for screening, behavioural support and pharmacotherapy for GP's and practice nurses.

Date & Time: Tuesday 13th April 2010 at 6.30pm for 7pm dinner

Venue: Rydges Southbank Hotel, 9 Glenelg Street, Southbank

For further information, please contact Rhona MacDonald at SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network on 3290 3733.

Practical Education for Nurses!

Chronic Disease Self-management (CDSM)

General Practice is required to play an integral role in improving the quality of life for people with chronic disease and address the current pressure on the acute hospital system by reducing avoidable hospital admissions.

Date & Time: Tuesday 20th April from 7am – 8am for a Continental breakfast or
Wednesday 21st April from 5.30pm – 6.30pm for a light meal

Venue: Kingston Butter Factory, Milky Way Lane, Kingston

For further information please contact Bralma Hine at SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network on 3290 3733.

AGPN “Can Do” Program:

Managing Mental Health & Substance Use in Primary Care

The ‘Can Do Comorbidity Event’ is rescheduled to:

Date & Time: Wednesday 28th April from 7pm – 9.30pm

Venue: Summer on the River (formerly Oxleys on the River), 330 Coronation Drive, Milton

We have restructured the event to retain the intent of joint learning, peer networking and peer support strategies, while providing a relaxed evening event in a restaurant setting.

To register your interest for this event, please contact Kim Moffatt at SPHN on 3290 3733

CPR Course

SouthEast Primary HealthCare Network is offering CPR Classes for both Members and Non Members.

Date & Time: Thursday 20th May from 7pm – 9pm

Venue: TBA

For further information please contact Stephanie Culshaw at SPHN on 3290 3733.

Medical Objects Training – Expression of Interest

Date & Time: Wednesday 5th May from 6.30pm (7pm start) – 9pm. Light refreshments will be served

Venue: TBA

For further information please contact Kim Moffatt at SPHN on 3290 3733.



Conferences & Workshops...

News Release

PM announcements mean more money for diabetes care

Please find attached the New Release flier.

Skills to Enable People and Communities

If you would like to find out more about how to look after yourself and participate in your community, then come along to our **STEPS Skills Program**, a 6 week information and skills based group program.

Date & Time: Wednesday 14th April 2010 from 10am – 12 noon, then every Wednesday for 6 weeks

Venue: Logan North Library, Cnr Sports Drive and Springwood Road, Underwood

RSVP: Wednesday 7th April 2010 to Ben Turner (STEPS Program Coordinator,) on 3406 2311

For further information please contact Areti Kennedy or Ben Turner on 3406 2311

Choosing Between Treatments for Depression

Date & Time: Wednesday 21st April 2010 from 6.30pm

Venue: 433 on Logan, 433 Logan Road, Stones Corner

For further information please contact Julie on 0438 792 378

Working with Refugees in Primary Health Care

Date & Time: Thursday 22nd April 2010 from 6pm – 8.30pm

Venue: Mater Medical Centre Conference Room, Raymond Terrace, South Brisbane

For further information please contact Donata Sackey on 3163 6139 or Paula Peterson on 3163 3718.

The Ins and Outs of Vaginal and Breast Health

Presented by The Jean Hailes Foundation for Women's Health

Date & Time: Wednesday 28th April 2010 from 2.15pm – Attend via Video conference site

For further information please call (03) 9927 7777 or email events@gtheevents.com

Program for Nurses - New to General Practice

General Practice Queensland is pleased to deliver this new 2 day orientation program workshop to support new Practice Nurses who have been working in general practice for up to 12 months. The aim of this program is to enhance the knowledge and clinical skills of the Practice Nurse to support the General Practitioner to provide comprehensive interventions and population based primary health care within the scope of practice of professional, ethical and legal responsibilities. The cost is \$120 (incl. GST)

Date & Time: Friday 21st – Saturday 22nd May 2010 from 8.30am – 4.45pm

Friday 4th – Saturday 5th June 2010 from 8.00am – 3.30pm

Venue: Royal on the Park, Cnr Alice and Albert Street, Brisbane

For further information please contact Elise Gorman at GPQ on 3105 8300.

Brisbane South - Multicultural Health Forum

The QEII Health Community Council in conjunction with the Brisbane South Multicultural Advisory Group invites you to attend a Multicultural Health Forum. The forum aims to collect information on health issues and health services for culturally and linguistically diverse communities in Brisbane's South and will be officially opened by The Honorable Phil Reeves, Minister for Child Safety and Minister for Sport, Member for Mansfield. For further information please call 0403 607 371.

Date & Time: Saturday 29th May 2010 from 2pm – 6pm – afternoon tea will be provided

Venue: Mt Gravatt Showground's Hall, 1644 Logan Road, Mt Gravatt (free parking onsite)

RSVP: Friday 30th April 2010



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

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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:

1 April 2010

PM announcements mean more money for diabetes care

Funding for patients with diabetes will increase by 60 percent on average and enable significantly better treatment under the diabetes package announced by the Prime Minister yesterday.

Dr Emil Djakic, Chair, Australian General Practice Network (AGPN) said the \$1200 a diabetes patient will increase funding for each patient by \$440.00 and can be directed to better care.

"AGPN has pushed for the introduction of flexible funding models for many years. These extra funds will enable GPs to pick the right care for the patient.

"For example, not all diabetes patients need high level care, many just require regular check ups. The perverse incentive of Medicare means I have to see diabetes patients four times a year if they need to see me or not – under Mr Rudd's plan our Practice Nurse could look after my healthier diabetes patients, freeing me up to see those who do need GP care," he said.

Dr Djakic said while details of the plan need to be worked through with the profession the announcement was a step in the right direction for chronic illness care.

"The extra \$440.00 per patient might mean we can engage a professional to care for patients' foot care needs or offer dietary advice, perhaps have someone to help patients understand the system and access the right services and allow our Practice Nurses to use their full skill set.

"Chronic illnesses like diabetes and heart disease take up about 70 percent of general practice work, these are the patients we see every day. The Prime Minister's policy will mean patients see the right provider, at the right time and at the right cost," he said.

Estimates based on current use of general practice and allied health services show an increase in funding under the new model of \$440.00 in additional services can be bought with the government's announcement.

"Medicare statistics show that the average patient with diabetes consumes about \$485 of general practice services and about \$175 of allied health services each year, so this new package provides an average increase of almost 60 percent for additional services.

"AGPN's 2009 Position Statement called for voluntary enrolment of patients, blended funding models and team working – all of which the government has included in their new approach to diabetes care.

"Research tells us these elements will keep our diabetes patients healthy and living longer, better quality lives," he said.

Dr Djakic said the incentives would provide patients with more opportunity for broader treatments and access to health care which could only lead to a healthier Australian population.

To view AGPN's 2009 Position Statement go to: www.agpn.com.au/media/publications/agpn-position-statements

For media interviews contact Communications Manager Frith Rayner on: 0402 267 190