



Allied Health Professionals

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Program: BOiMHC – Rapid response program to suicide prevention.

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Contact: For more information, or an update about the program please phone SPHN on 3290 3733.

Jeni has been engaged by SPHN to promote the Suicide prevention program to local services, multicultural agencies, community groups, schools and the public in general in your division.

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REFERRAL PATHWAY AT A GLANCE

Patient who is –

- Provide a Mental health treatment plan
- Use - MBS – 2710 with Mental Health training.
- MBS – 2702 without Mental Health training
- Refer to Psychologist from the list of Suicide Trained Local Psychologists

STEP 1

- At risk of suicide (assessment via MSSSI)
- Can not afford Medicare ‘gap’ fee for psychologist
- May need A/H, 24 hr Suicide risk support (Suicide call back service 1300 659 467)

STEP 2

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Mater Mothers' Hospital Pilot Preconception Care Clinic

- Mater Mothers' Hospital (MMH) is commencing a pilot Preconception Care Clinic from 19th May 2010 with the aim to formally evaluate the service and the outcomes of pregnancies for women who attend this service in order to demonstrate that the intervention has a positive health benefit for mothers and babies.
- **Who can I refer?** A service is being piloted at MMH and in a number of GP practices. You can refer any woman who is planning to fall pregnant and would be likely to choose Mater for her forthcoming pregnancy. MMH would be most interested in providing care for women with more complex health issues; however we would welcome referrals from any woman planning a pregnancy.
- **How do I refer?** We require a named referral to **Dr Tania Widmer**, Obstetrician, Mater Health Services, sent by fax to 3163 1949. The Mater Mothers' Hospital GP Liaison Midwife (telephone 0466 205 710; GPLiaisonMidwife@mater.org.au; or 3163 1861) can assist with any queries regarding referrals.
- **How much does it cost?** The cost of the consultation will be bulk-billed through Medicare. There is no out-of-pocket expense for women referred to this service at MMH.

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International Medical Graduates (IMG's) Mentored Meetings - Expressions of Interest

An invitation is extended to all IMG's in the Logan Area and specifically those who may be about to undertake their college exams to attend regular weekly meetings where you can work with peers under the mentorship of Dr. Ian Petersen.

Exam Date for 2010: 1 Clinical 8th May 2010

Exam Date for 2010: 2 Written – late August 2010 and Clinical 25th October 2010

- **Date & Time:** Date TBA. Time anticipated for 6.30pm to 9.00pm
- **Venue:** TBA – dependant on numbers of attendees
- **Contact:** Kim Moffatt at SPHN on 3290 3733 or e: kmoffatt@sphn.org.au

ALERT: Asthma clinical trial

- The Prince Charles and Princess Alexandra Hospitals are involved in a NHMRC-funded clinical trial for patients with asthma. Patients will be treated for 12 months with either low dose azithromycin (as an anti-inflammatory agent) or with a placebo. The research is not associated with a pharmaceutical company or any commercial entity
- To be eligible to take part in this trial, patients must be over 18 years of age, not smoking and have troublesome asthma symptoms despite taking regular preventer medication.
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Positions Vacant

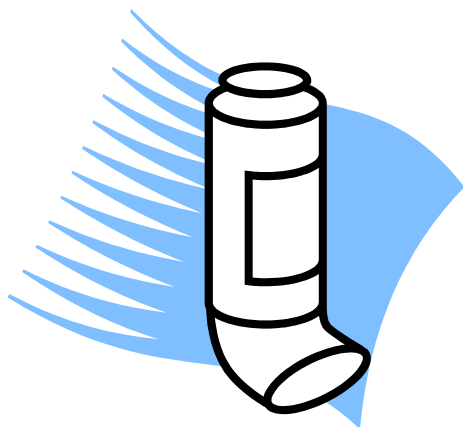
- **GP Required:** Meadowbrook (Logan)
Contact: Joye Preston on 0400 159 101 or e: jpreston@medihealth.com.au
- **GP Required:** Springwood
Contact: Fiona Hancock on 3290 0579

Please visit www.sphn.org.au/general-practitioners

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New online training - Early childhood oral health: Case studies from general practice

Early childhood oral health management skills are the focus of a new online learning activity from the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP).

The new activity, available on the gplearning website, is called Early childhood oral health: case studies from general practice and supports general practitioners and practice nurses to effectively perform their critical role in identifying, preventing and managing early childhood caries. The activity was developed in conjunction with the Centre for Oral Health Strategy, NSW.

The activity has been approved by the RACGP QA&CPD Program for 2 Category 2 points and is endorsed by APEC number 018030901 as authorised by the Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA) according to approved criteria. Completion attracts 1 RCNA Continuing Nurse Education (CNE) point as part of RCNA's Life Long Learning Program (3LP).

If nurses are interested in joining the RACGP to access this online learning activity please use the link below for the membership page.
<http://www.racgp.org.au/practicenurse>

Practices please remember!

It is important to.....

Transmit or send immunisation data daily, or at the very least, weekly to ACIR or VIVAS.

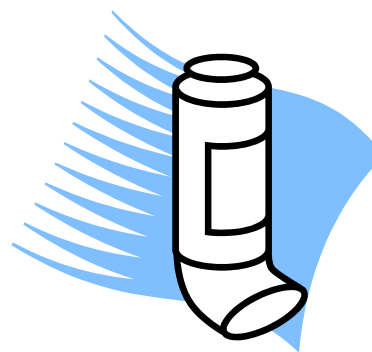
1. This helps to lessen the number of errors that can accumulate and consequently reduces the amount of practice time to resolve issues.
2. Reduce the likelihood of parents contacting the practice due to delays in Centrelink or Family Assistance Office payments.

Always check for error messages during online transmissions as these will block the transfer of data. Errors will need to be resolved to allow transmission to occur.

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New Intradermal vaccine

With the introduction this year of INTANZA, the intradermal influenza vaccine, go to www.intradermalflu.com.au to download product information and instructions for use for your practice. You may use your nurses registration number to login to the site.

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- **Casual Medical Receptionist Required:** Waterford
Contact: 3299 6688 or email CV to whzeng67@yahoo.com.au
- **Casual Receptionist Required :** Southside
Contact: Kerrie on sonimedical@bigpond.com.au
- **Casual Receptionist Required :** Southside
Contact: Lisa via e: reception@pacificfmp.com.au or fax resume to 3711 2281
- **Casual RN or EEN Required :** Southside
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