

# What's Hot

Monthly practical tips for your practice

*Got to Know:*

## My Health Record opt out period is here

My Health Record is part of the evolution of healthcare towards the use of digital health systems. It will better enable continuity of care for patients. By the end of 2018 every Australian will have a My Health Record unless they choose not to.

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## RACGP 5th Edition Standards

The RACGP has developed new Standards for general practices (5th edition) with the purpose of protecting patients from harm by improving the quality and safety of health services. The Standards support general practices in identifying and addressing any gaps in their systems and processes.

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## Quality Improvement PIP is coming in 2019

In response to the rise in chronic disease and the continuing challenge of improving our health system, the Federal Government announced in the 2017-18 Budget a new Quality Improvement (QI) incentive that will start from 1 May 2019.

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## Opportunities and Regional New

### Free Leadership Training for Health Care Providers and Consumers

North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network (NWMPHN) and Consumers Health Forum of Australia (CHF) are excited to be offering health services in our region the chance to be part of Collaborative Pairs Australia. Collaborative Pairs is a leadership training program. It aims to help consumers and health care providers to work together to improve health care. If you are a doctor, nurse, pharmacist, allied health provider, receptionist or practice manager you are invited to apply by emailing [brodie.preston@nwmpnh.org.au](mailto:brodie.preston@nwmpnh.org.au).

### Link-Me Trial

Integrating a care navigator for patients with complex mental health needs in general practice. NWMPHN is seeking general practices in its region to take part in a new mental health research trial. To participate or to find out more, please read the [expression of interest](#) or visit our [website](#).

For more procurement opportunities such as tenders and EOIs visit [TenderLink](#).

### New HealthPathways Live

Localised clinical and referral information can assist GPs direct their patients. New [Chronic Pain](#) and [Medication Assisted Treatment of Opioid Dependence \(MATOD\)](#) pathways are now available for GPs and pharmacists. These pathways were developed by Melbourne doctors and AOD experts who understand the sensitivities of the AOD space. Did we mention its free to access? For over 530 Melbourne-based pathways, visit [HealthPathways Melbourne](#).

### NDIS October Roll-Out

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is a no-fault insurance scheme, which is the new way of providing individualised support for people with permanent and significant disability, their families and carers. The scheme is designed to empower people with disability who meet the eligibility criteria in making choices about the supports they need based on a plan that includes support needs, goals and aspirations. For more information, please visit our [website](#).

## Education and Training

*“A really great, informative session! Thanks to all the speakers for giving up their time to educate us. They were all great presenters”*- Attendee, Breast Cancer Update Workshop

- ✓ North Western Melbourne PHN is an accredited activity provider with the RACGP QI & CPD Program. We support education and training activities that offer GPs the opportunity to help meet their continuing professional development (CPD) requirements.
- ✓ Visit our website for education and training activities in our region [nwmpnh.org.au/events](http://nwmpnh.org.au/events).

### Clinical Placement Program in Cancer Survivorship

General Practitioners are invited to apply for a free clinical placement opportunity at oncology specialist clinics across Victoria.

- ✓ Improve skills and knowledge in cancer survivorship care.
- ✓ Improve communication and enhance clinical relations between hospital and primary care sectors.
- ✓ Improve patient care outcomes.

To apply or to find out more, please visit our [website](#).

### Upcoming Events

19/09/2018 6:45 PM	<a href="#">Western Health Upper GI Surgery GP Information Evening</a>
25/09/2018 6:30 PM	<a href="#">My Health Record in General Practice</a>
09/10/2018 6:30 PM	<a href="#">HIV Case Discussion</a>
10/10/2018 6:00 PM	<a href="#">Quality Improvement Learning Workshop</a>
16/10/2018 9:00 AM	<a href="#">Falls Prevention Education Session</a>
17/10/2018 8:00 AM	<a href="#">Advance Care Planning 1 Day workshop</a>
21/10/2018 8:30 AM	<a href="#">HBV s100 Prescriber Course</a>
27/10/2018- 28/10/2018	<a href="#">HIV s100 Prescriber Course</a>
30/10/2018 6:45 PM	<a href="#">Cataracts and Sinuses GP Update</a>
27/11/2018 9:00 AM	<a href="#">Falls Prevention Education Session</a>

*“Our aim is that primary healthcare providers are fully supported to meet community needs, delivering better health outcomes for their patients”*

### Latest Resources

- [CAREinMIND Referral Form](#)
- [Domiciliary Medication Management Review \(DMMR\) Sample Referral Form](#)
- [Domiciliary Medication Management Review \(DMMR\) Sample Plan](#)
- [Home Medicines Review General Practice Poster](#)
- [Quality Improvement PIP Readiness Checklist](#)
- [MBS Items for hepatitis B and hepatitis C Care](#)
- [Advance Care Planning](#)
- [Mental Health Treatment Plans for General Practice](#)
- [Nurse Orientation Checklist](#)
- Department of Health and Human Services- [Supporting NDIS – The role of general practice](#)
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