

What's Hot

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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.

[MORE ONLINE](#)

Got to Know:

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.

[MORE ONLINE](#)

Got to Know:

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.

[MORE ONLINE](#)

Opportunities and Regional News

Free leadership training for health care providers and consumers

North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network (NWMPHN) and the Consumers Health Forum of Australia are 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@nwmpnhn.org.au

Co-location of Intensive Support Service in Melton and Moorabool

The Australian Primary Mental Health Alliance has been commissioned to provide an Intensive Support Service in Melton and Moorabool. Primary care providers wanting to build their capacity to manage clients with severe and complex mental health issues are invited to apply to have a credentialed mental health nurse co-located at their premises. To express

interest in this opportunity please [visit our website](#).

Social prescribing model

Social prescribing enables GPs to refer patients whose health is being affected by non-medical factors, such as housing, financial stress, health literacy or social exclusion, to a range of community services that can help address these concerns. NWMPHN is funding IPC Health, in collaboration with Victoria University and Brimbank City Council, to develop and test the model. A Community Link worker will be placed into the IPC Health Deer Park centre to better connect GPs and patients with local non-clinical services.

NDIS October rollout

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

- ✓ NWMPHN 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: nwmpnhn.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

09/10/2018 6:30 PM	HIV Case Discussion
10/10/2018 6:00 PM	Quality Improvement Learning Workshop
16/10/2018 9:00 AM	Falls Prevention Education Session
17/10/2018 8:00 AM	Advance Care Planning 1 Day workshop
21/10/2018 8:30 AM	HBV s100 Prescriber Course
27/10/2018- 28/10/2018	HIV s100 Prescriber Course
30/10/2018 6:45 PM	Cataracts and Sinuses GP Update
01/11/2018 9:30 AM	A Masterclass for Medical Receptionist and Administrative Staff
14/11/2018 6:00 PM	Statewide Paediatric HealthPathways Project: Pathway Launch and Workshop
27/11/2018 9:00 AM	Falls Prevention Education Session

“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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We acknowledge the peoples of the Kulin nation as the Traditional Owners of the land on which our work in the community takes place. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

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