

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 2019 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.

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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.

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Opportunities and Regional News

Quality Improvement Guide and Tools

We understand that a whole of practice approach is needed to drive changes that lead to better patient care. Your practice can use a Quality Improvement (QI) process to make small and large changes, from driving better, more sustainable outcomes for staff, to reducing costs, improving patient experience of health care and delivering better outcomes for the overall health of communities. [The Quality Improvement Guide & Tools](#) will help you to understand how to complete QI activities in your practice, and includes tools, templates and examples.

New NDIS HealthPathway

Our new [National Disability Insurance Scheme \(NDIS\) pathway](#) provides clear information on patient eligibility, how to assist applicants and services supporting access to NDIS. View the pathway when preparing professional reports for patients or their carers or answering questions about the NDIS process.

Cancer-screening project: Opportunity for general practices in Brimbank and Wyndham

NWMPHN is offering practices in Brimbank and Wyndham an opportunity to participate in a Quality Improvement activity focused on improving the cancer screening rates for breast, bowel and cervical cancer for the under-screened population. Practices will be remunerated for their participation in the 12-month project. For queries please contact Angela Ouroumis on 03 93471188 or angela.ouroumis@nwmpnhn.org.au.

Person-Centred Medical Homes – how can we help your practice?

NWMPHN supports the Person-Centred Medical Homes clinical model as the foundation for improvement in general practice. We want to ensure that GPs and practice teams are provided with practical support to be prepared for policy changes that affect general practice. To assist us to deliver appropriate support, please complete a short [online survey](#).

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.

Upcoming Events

07/02/2019 9:30 AM	A Masterclass for Medical Receptionist and Administrative Staff
11/02/2019 9:30 AM	Falls Prevention Education Session
12/02/2019 6:00 PM	Quality Improvement Workshop
14/02/2019 6:30 PM	Viral Hepatitis Essentials for Primary Care - Sunshine
18/02/2019 6:30 PM	HIV Case Discussion & Webinar
19/03/2019 12:30 PM	Recalls & Reminders Using Medical Director Clinical Software
20/03/2019 6:30 PM	STIs and PrEP: An update for Primary Care – Parkville
21/03/2019 12:30 PM	Recalls & Reminders using Best Practice Software

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

Latest Resources

- [Quality Improvement Toolkit](#)
- [How to set up your Provider Digital Access \(PRODA\) account](#)
- [Health Professional Online Services \(HPOS\) and Nash](#)
- [Asthma Australia – COACH Referral Form](#)
- [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](#)
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