

Telehealth - Did you know?

The aim of the movement towards Telehealth consulting is for GPs' patients to consult specialists via video conferencing rather than travelling.

- \$6,000 incentive payment per GP until June 2012 (then decreases) for first consultation via videoconference
- Increased consultation fees are ongoing
- Existing internet connection and equipment appropriate for many consultations.

To receive your \$6000 incentive payment you need to claim an MBS Telehealth number and this payment will be paid directly to you.

Example of Telehealth consultation billing: 25 minute consult via videoconference by GP

- Level C Telehealth Consult \$91.35
 - Telehealth Bulk Bill Incentive \$20.00
 - Telehealth Service Incentive \$40.00 (paid quarterly)
- TOTAL \$151.35**

Please click [here](#) for the Telehealth MBS numbers.

Please click [here](#) to download the Division's Telehealth Guidelines which outline how to get connected and what you need to conduct Telehealth consultations for your patients.

Local Cancer Services Chemotherapy Discharge Information: GP Input Requested

Gippsland Regional Integrated Cancer Services (GRICS) is in the process of evaluating its 'Day Chemotherapy Discharge Information Sheet', and would welcome comments and feedback from GPs regarding discharge documentation. The following weblink will take you to a survey regarding the GRICS 'Day Chemotherapy Discharge Information Sheet' and will take only 3-5 minutes to complete.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GRICSDCInfoSheet>

Please complete the survey by 15 February 2012. For further information contact Louise Cristofaro or Kylie Halsall Co-Managers, GRICS on 5128 0142.

Article: All Aussie Kids Should Be Vaccinated

Please click [here](#) to read an interesting pro vaccine article by Susie O'Brien in the Herald Sun, Melbourne. Of further interest are the comments and discussion after the article.

headspace School Support Service

headspace School Support is a new initiative funded by the Federal Government, Department of Health and Ageing, that provides support to secondary schools affected by the suicide of a student.

headspace School Support is not a crisis service but can be used in conjunction with the relevant Education Department, Independent Schools Association or Catholic Education Office and/or mental health services who assist the school immediately following a suicide.

<http://www.headspace.org.au/what-works/school-support>

Gay Lesbian Health Victoria Rainbow Tick - Inclusive Practice Audit

GLHV has developed an audit to assist services to check how inclusive their service is of GLBTI consumers. The audit checks organisational performance against the Rainbow Tick National Standards for GLBTI inclusive practice.

The standards have been informed by: *Well Proud: A guide to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and intersex inclusive practice for health and human services*, produced by the Ministerial Advisory Committee on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex Health and Wellbeing (2009).

General Practice Resources:

- [Well proud—A guide to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and intersex inclusive practice for health and human services](#)
 - [About the Rainbow Tick: Prospectus and Standards](#)
- For more information please click [here](#).

Diabetes Australia – VIC

Life! Program Update - Case Finding Funding

With the continuation of the case finding funding agreement until June 30th 2012, 41 practices have now signed up to the case funding. The case funding agreement enables GP practices to receive \$560 (+GST) upon referral of 15 eligible patients into the program.

Practices still interested in signing up or who require any additional information can contact Michelle Jones at the Life! Program mjones@diabetesvic.org.au
Phone: (03) 9667 1773

RACGP Media Releases & Friday Facts

- [GP journal highlights teaching in general practice](#)
25 January 2012
- [Federal Budget 2012-2013: Supporting quality general practice for the future](#)
30 January 2012
- [RACGP Friday Facts](#)
27 January 2012

Education and Training

Do Natriuretic Peptides Have a Role in Primary Care? [APPN Webinar](#)

RACGP QI&CPD 2 Category 2 points.
ACRRM 1 Core PDP Point.

Date: Wednesday 7th March 2012
Time: Victoria: 7.00- 8.00 pm (AEDT)

All webinar participants must be registered APPN members.

Register for APPN (free) at www.appn.net.au.
Register for the webinar under the "Webinar" tab.

How2 Create a GLBTI Inclusive Service: 2012 Program

Expressions of interest are sought for participation in Gay and Lesbian Health Victoria's (GLHV) 2012 program: How2 create a GLBTI inclusive service. The program aims to support the development of services that are inclusive of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and intersex clients.

For more information, please see this [flyer](#).

Organ and Tissue Donation Education Event Interested GPs, Registrars and Practice Nurses

Date: Wednesday 7th March 2012
Time: 6.30—9.30pm

Venue: Greater Eastern Primary Health, Scoresby
This training has been funded by the Organ and Tissue Authority to better equip GP's and Practice Nurses to educate their patients about organ and tissue donation.

For more information and to register, please see this [flyer](#).

AAPM Industrial Relations Workshop Victorian members of the Australian Association of Practice Managers

Date: Friday 24th February 2012
Time: 12.30 – 5.00pm
Venue: Novotel Glen Waverley

This is a unique opportunity to hear cutting edge information about Enterprise Bargaining Agreements & Industrial Relations.

For more information and to register, please see this [flyer](#).

Education and Training

Intermediate Clinical Emergency Management Program (CEMP)

RACGP Accredited ALM 40 Category 1 points
GPs and Registrars only (Limited places available)

Date: Friday 20 April 2012

Time: 8.30am-5.00pm

Venue: WGHG Community Services, Warragul.

Cost: **Special Offer - \$300 saving on registration fee**



- CPR practice and assessment, including defibrillation
- New guidelines – resuscitation and pharmacology
- Basic life support and advanced life support
- Airway management skills
- Anaphylaxis and acute asthma
- Cardiac arrests
- Ventricular fibrillation, primary asystole and asystole
- Acute coronary syndrome
- Psychiatric episodes
- Early management of trauma
- Acute pain management and analgesia
- Collapse and loss of consciousness
- Patient assessment and management
- Emergency crisis scene safety and management

For more information and to register, please see this [flyer](#).

Advanced Clinical Emergency Management Program (CEMP)

RACGP Accredited 80 Category 1 points

GPs and Registrars only (Limited places available)

Date: Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 April 2012

Time: 8.30am-5.00pm

Venue: WGHG Community Services, Warragul.

Cost: **Special Offer 20% saving on registration fee (see flyer for details).**



- Advanced airway management: airway management review, managing the difficult airway
- The trauma patient: trauma systems, time critical guidelines, systematic approach
- Patient assessment and monitoring: primary and secondary survey, manual defibrillation
- Common paediatric emergencies
- Basic paediatric life support, airway management and paediatric cardiac arrests
- Online predisposing activity pre-workshop and online reinforcing activity post-workshop

For more information and to register, please see this [flyer](#).

SMS Event Reminders Available!

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