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**PRACTICE NURSE EVENT – ECG UPDATE FOR PRACTICE NURSES**

- Presented by Carolyn Morgan, University of Sydney - Northern Clinical Skills Centre. Carolyn is an experienced Cardiology Clinical Nurse Consultant
- **When:** 20<sup>th</sup> April 2010
- **Time:** 7.00pm for registration
- **Location:** Level 2 Conference Room, Sydney Adventist Hospital, Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga
- To register for this workshop please contact **Robi** on **02 9477 8700** or email [robi@gpnn.org.au](mailto:robi@gpnn.org.au)

**DIRECTORS GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT – FEDERAL GOVERNMENT’S PROPOSED HEALTH REFORM**

- The NSW Government’s online consultation forum on the Federal Government’s proposed Health Reform is now open at <https://health.reform.discussions.nsw.gov.au>
- NSW Health would like to invite GPs to go to this discussion forum and have your say on the proposed reforms. Feedback will go directly to the Premier and the Deputy Premier in order to inform NSW’s position

**PARKINSON’S DISEASE RESOURCES**

- Parkinson’s Australia has designed the following resources for GPs and their patients: A General Practice Approach to Parkinson’s Disease clinical guidelines
- Parkinson’s Online - free GP online education program, available at <http://medical.primed.com.au>
- 40 Category 1 RACGP - QA&CPD points on completion of full program
- Contact your **Practice Support Officer** on **9477 8700** to obtain resources
- For large orders phone the **Parkinson’s InfoLine** on **1800 644 189** or email [miriam@parkinsonsnsw.org.au](mailto:miriam@parkinsonsnsw.org.au)

**THE ULTIMATE TIME MANAGEMENT GUIDE FOR GPs**

- A book packed full of practical strategies that have helped to change the quality of life of thousands of GPs across Australia.
- Find out: where your time goes, how not to run late, how to say no, how to beat the paperwork, better ways to deal with patients, what doctors really think!
- The book costs \$29.95 and can be bought from <http://ithinkwell.com.au>. Bulk copies discounted
- To order contact **Jenny** at [admin@ithinkwell.com.au](mailto:admin@ithinkwell.com.au) or **08 8293 5000**

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- Short Consulting and OR list waiting times, No-Gap, Known Gap options & Prompt Written Correspondence
- Visit [www.spinesurgeon.com.au](http://www.spinesurgeon.com.au) for more information
- Contact **Dr Raoul Pope** on **9911 7280** or email [info@spinesurgeon.com.au](mailto:info@spinesurgeon.com.au)

**THE EMOTIONAL HEALTH CLINIC – MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY**

- Provides evidence-based treatment of anxiety and related emotional disorders
- Working with clients across all age groups from children to seniors and provide both individual and group therapy programs, informed by the Centre’s research interests.
- Visit the Emotional Health Clinic website [www.emotionalhealthclinic.com.au](http://www.emotionalhealthclinic.com.au) or the Centre for Emotional Health [www.psy.mq.edu.au/CEH](http://www.psy.mq.edu.au/CEH)

**NAME CHANGE FOR AREA HEALTH AGED CARE PSYCH TEAMS – PLEASE NOTE**

- All Aged Care Psychiatry Teams in Northern Sydney Central Coast Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Services are in the process of being renamed The Specialist Mental Health Services for Older People (SMHSOP).
- In line with the above, Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital (HKH) Aged Care Psychiatry Service (ACPS) will be known as Specialist Mental Health Services for Older People HKH. (SMHSOP-HKH) commencing 1 March, 2010
- There will be no changes to the current referral process. The team will continue to provide a multi-disciplinary community outreach service to people aged 65+ who suffer from a mental health condition in addition to the issues of ageing
- For more information phone 9477 9520 Mon-Fri 8.30am – 5pm