



Weekly News
Wednesday 2nd June 2010

Please distribute to GPs and staff in your practice

GP PRACTICE DIRECTORY ON GPNN WEBSITE

- GPNN is considering including a directory of GP practices located in our catchment area on our website
- The directory would only contain the name of the practice, suburb and phone number
- If you **do not** wish to be listed on this directory phone **9477 8700** or email brooke@gpnn.org.au

RYDE HOSPITAL GP NOTIFICATION OF ADMISSION FAX SURVEY – YOUR CHANCE TO HAVE A SAY!

- GPNN and Ryde Hospital have commissioned Outcome Services to evaluate the Admission Alert Fax (AAF) program, which has been notifying GPs of their patient's admission to Ryde Hospital via the Emergency Department
- GPs will soon receive an invitation to participate in a survey via email or post with the hope of gaining valuable feedback about the program and ways that we can improve the service
- **If you do not receive your survey form or email and you would like to provide feedback, please contact Simone Southon at GPNN on 9477 8700 or email simone@gpnn.org.au**

ACCESS TO ALLIED PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (ATAPS) ** FUNDING STILL AVAILABLE **

- GP Network welcomes GPs to refer patients to the ATAPS program, including those suffering from antenatal or postnatal depression
- Referrals are allocated as they are received and are currently open to all GPs
- For more information please visit our website www.gpnn.org.au or phone **9477 8700**

GP LOCUM WANTED FOR LORD HOWE ISLAND

- Position available for 2 to 3 weeks after 10 July
- Lord Howe is a beautiful place and doing locums there is a very rewarding experience
- If you are interested please contact **Dr Frank Reed** by email francisreed@live.com or on **02 6563 2056**

SOUTH PACIFIC PRIVATE

- South Pacific Private is one of Australia's leading treatment centres for addictions and mood disorders. Offering a range of treatments for:
 - Alcohol dependency
 - Depression
 - Drug dependency
 - Anxiety & panic disorders
 - Bipolar disorder
 - Relationship issues
 - Compulsive sexual behaviour
 - Gambling
 - Eating disorders
 - Anger
 - Workaholism
- Treatment plans are tailored based upon the patient's assessment. We offer an in-patient program, day program, evening program and after care program
- If you have any queries about South Pacific Private or our treatment programs contact **Rhoda Silber**, Intake Manager on **9466 6201** or email rsilber@southpacificprivate.com.au
- To find out more visit www.southpacificprivate.com.au

AGPAL SOLO PRACTICE OF THE YEAR AWARD 2009 – New South Wales

- GPNN Would like to congratulate **Dr AM Babu** of St Ives and his practice team on winning the AGPAL Solo Practice of the Year Award 2009 for New South Wales
- This award is presented to an AGPAL accredited practice which has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to quality and safety and has achieved accreditation at the highest level
- Dr AM Babu's Medical Practice has excelled in accreditation against the RACGP standards, which shows that it is a safe place for patient care
- Accreditation is a voluntary process renewed every three years - and demonstrates that doctors and staff are committed to providing safe and high quality health care

PENNY KRAEMER RECEIVES CONSULTANT PHARMACIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

- GP Network Northside would also like to congratulate **Penny Kraemer** on being awarded the "Pfizer Consultant Pharmacist of the Year 2010" at the recent Conpharm Conference in Hobart
- Penny was presented with this award in recognition of the work she does as an accredited pharmacist with regards to medication reviews and the development of Quality Use of Medicine (QUM) education modules in Aged Care