



## Weekly News

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2010

Please distribute to GPs and staff in your practice

### **NATIONAL REGISTRATION: IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL DOCTORS**

- From 1 July 2010 registration will be overseen by the new Medical Council of Australia. In NSW, doctors' health, professional performance and conduct matters including complaints and notifications will be dealt under NSW legislation and will be overseen by the Medical Council of New South Wales
- From 1 July 2010, you will need to approach the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) in relation to registration matters. Information about AHPRA and the Medical Board of Australia is available at [www.ahpra.gov.au](http://www.ahpra.gov.au)

### **EOI STUDENT NURSE CLINICAL PLACEMENTS – AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU)**

- ACU are seeking the support of practices and practice nurses to host 3<sup>rd</sup> year student nurses for clinical experience
- The placements are 140–160 hours & should be completed between 2<sup>nd</sup> August & early November 2010
- All details are included in the attached EOI form
- For further information contact the **Practice Support Team** on **9477 8700**

### **PRIMARY CARE INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS UNDER THE GP SUPER CLINICS PROGRAM**

- The Department invites applications for Primary Care Infrastructure Grant funding from individuals and organisations to enable existing facilities to expand or to upgrade space for GPs, nurses and/or allied health professionals, strengthen team-based care services, establish or extend clinical training facilities, and provide GP Super Clinic-style services
- Interested parties, potential tenders or applicants are asked to provide the information requested in the registration form on the website [www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au) Closing date 2pm 20<sup>th</sup> August 2010
- For further enquires please contact the project officer **Beverley Steer 02 6289 7374** or by email [gpsuperclinics@health.gov.au](mailto:gpsuperclinics@health.gov.au)

### **CANCER RESOURCE FOR PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

- Funded by the Australian Government and freely available, eviQ is a web based repository providing cancer treatment information to health professionals. The Information is accurate, standardised, evidence based and unbiased
- This point of care resource, designed to assist the busy GP or nurse includes, but is not limited to information on cancer treatment protocols, side effects, safety alerts, clinical considerations, interactions, clinical devices, MBS item numbers, useful links, safe handling of cytotoxics, and coming soon, an opioid conversion calculator
- There are communication templates also available for use between specialist and GP; these can be accessed from the primary care home page
- To register for free for this resource please visit [www.eviq.org.au/Home.aspx](http://www.eviq.org.au/Home.aspx)
- For more information, please email Natalie Cook [natalie.cook@cancerinstitute.org.au](mailto:natalie.cook@cancerinstitute.org.au)

### **AUSTRIALS HORNSBY CLINICAL RESEARCH**

- AusTrials is a leading operator of private clinical trial facilities. AusTrials works together with research organisations & pharmaceutical companies to make clinical trials available to patients in Australia
- AusTrials Hornsby have a number of studies being run in Asthma, T2D and CV Disease, COPD and Hypercholesterolemia
- All studies are ethically & regulatory approved and are available to be access by all GPs in the area
- All current trials can be found on our website [www.austrials.com.au](http://www.austrials.com.au)
- For further information you can also access [www.clinicaltrials.gov](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov), the study identifiers are noted below

### **GRILL YOUR LOCAL PSYCHIATRIST**

- The University of Sydney, Disciplines of Psychiatry and General Practice are conducting a study into diagnosis of anxiety and depression in general practice
- Workshops will be based on case discussions by a local GP, followed by the opportunity for discussion with a leading Psychiatrist. Workshops will be held in a number of venues around Sydney
- If you are interested in attending one of the workshops please visit [www.cadeclinic.com](http://www.cadeclinic.com) or email **Rita Hitching** [rhitching@med.usyd.edu.au](mailto:rhitching@med.usyd.edu.au) for further information
- Application has been made for RACGP QA&CPD points