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## What's on

Wednesday 28 July	<b>Caring for your refugee patient</b> Breakfast education meeting for GPs and Practice Nurses. Topic looks at 'Mental health for the older refugee patient'. 7.30–9am. Board room, ACTDGP, Weston. Register for this event to <a href="mailto:events@actdgp.asn.au">events@actdgp.asn.au</a> or for more information contact Bronwyn <a href="mailto:b.parsons@actdgp.asn.au">b.parsons@actdgp.asn.au</a> or 6287 8099.
Thursday 29 July	<b>Infection control &amp; sterilisation</b> Practice staff workshop for all presented by Judy Evans from walkerevans consulting. Two sessions: 12.30pm for 1pm start or 3.30pm for 4pm start. Majura Theatre, Majura Park, Majura. Register for this event to <a href="mailto:events@actdgp.asn.au">events@actdgp.asn.au</a> or for more information contact Eleonor <a href="mailto:e.geoghegan@actdgp.asn.au">e.geoghegan@actdgp.asn.au</a> .
Friday 6 August	<b>GP Grand Rounds</b> Case reviews and medical update meetings with guest presenters from The Interchange Practice. 7.45–8.45am. Auditorium, The Canberra Hospital, Garran. For more information contact Linda Beaver <a href="mailto:linda.beaver@anu.edu.au">linda.beaver@anu.edu.au</a> or 6244 4954.
Tuesday 10 August	<b>The psyche and the cutis - how inseperable are they?</b> ACTDGP dermatology event #3. Guest speakers Drs Diana Rubel, Dermatologist and Juliet Gibson. 6.30pm for 7–9.30pm. The Boat House by the Lake, Barton. Register for this event to <a href="mailto:events@actdgp.asn.au">events@actdgp.asn.au</a> or for more information contact Bronwyn <a href="mailto:b.parsons@actdgp.asn.au">b.parsons@actdgp.asn.au</a> or 6287 8099.
Wednesday 11 August	<b>Practice Managers Network Forum</b> For Practice Managers. Identify common challenges, discuss relevant issues and develop localised solutions. 8.30–11am. ACTDGP, Weston. Register for this event to <a href="mailto:events@actdgp.asn.au">events@actdgp.asn.au</a> or for more information contact Amy <a href="mailto:a.cooper@actdgp.asn.au">a.cooper@actdgp.asn.au</a> or 6287 8099. <b>CPR training—Booked out</b> To go on the waiting list please register your details to <a href="mailto:events@actdgp.asn.au">events@actdgp.asn.au</a> . An additional session may be created in September if there is sufficient interest. For more information contact Kerry on 6287 8099.
Thursday 12 August	<b>Tackling Indigenous Chronic Disease</b> Guest presenters will discuss tackling chronic disease in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. 6.45pm–9.30pm. The Boat House by the Lake, Barton. Register for this event to <a href="mailto:events@actdgp.asn.au">events@actdgp.asn.au</a> or for more information contact Bev <a href="mailto:b.hayhurst@actdgp.asn.au">b.hayhurst@actdgp.asn.au</a>

For all events and to RSVP visit our Events Calendar at [www.actdgp.asn.au/page/Events/Upcoming\\_Events](http://www.actdgp.asn.au/page/Events/Upcoming_Events)



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## News & information

### New clinical software templates available

Clinical software templates for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Practice Incentive Program including registration, consent and withdrawal are now available to download from the Division website.

In conjunction with Division's Project Officer for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs the eHealth Support Officers are looking to produce more templates for use with clinical software.

Templates are available on the Division website at [www.actdgp.asn.au/page/Programs/Resources/For\\_GPs/E/eHealth/Clinical\\_software\\_templates/](http://www.actdgp.asn.au/page/Programs/Resources/For_GPs/E/eHealth/Clinical_software_templates/).

### Interested in joining the AGPN Board?

Nominations are now open for the national Australian General Practice Network (AGPN) Board. Candidates for the election of AGPN Board may be GPs or non-GPs and must be nominated by their respective Division of General Practice.

Interested persons can complete a nomination form (available on the [AGPN website](http://AGPN website)) and send it to the ACTDGP CEO ([ceo@actdgp.asn.au](mailto:ceo@actdgp.asn.au)) for endorsement.

It is an exciting time for AGPN as it positions itself at the forefront of the introduction of Primary Health Care Organisations.

Nominations for the election close 5pm (AEST) Friday 30 July. For more information visit

[www.agpn.com.au/about-us/2010-director-elections](http://www.agpn.com.au/about-us/2010-director-elections).

### GP Immunisation Advisor vacancy

ACTDGP is seeking a GP Advisor for the Division's Immunisation Program. The advisor assists in the planning, development, content, delivery and review of the program to ensure it meets GP and practice needs, enhances program efficiency and effectiveness, and ensures the program achieves outcomes as set out in the Division's Strategic and annual Business Plan.

Advisors are appointed for a term of two years and are paid \$130 per hour. The average time contribution varies. For more information about the position contact the Division CEO at [ceo@actdgp.asn.au](mailto:ceo@actdgp.asn.au) or 6287 8099.

### GP Locum available

A fully registered female haematologist with GP experience is available for GP Locum work from August 2010 for up to two months.

Contact Dr Grace Moshi on 0414 547 735 or [gracemoshi@hotmail.com](mailto:gracemoshi@hotmail.com). For more information contact Kirsty at the Division [k.whybrow@actdgp.asn.au](mailto:k.whybrow@actdgp.asn.au).

### An invitation for International Medical Graduates

Anyone who received their medical degree overseas (International Medical Graduates or IMGs) are invited to participate in the Monash University project 'International medical graduate adjustment to Australian healthcare teams' which draws on the experience of IMGs to inform and improve hospital supports available on their arrival in Australia.

Participation involves completing an anonymous, online survey, which takes 20–30 minutes to complete.

For more information or to complete our survey visit [www.med.monash.edu.au/spppm/surveys2009/lhabeeb/](http://www.med.monash.edu.au/spppm/surveys2009/lhabeeb/).

### Chronic disease referral service

GPs may be aware of the Get Healthy Information and Coaching Service which provides telephone and web-based information and ongoing behaviour change coaching in relation to healthy eating, physical activity and healthy weight.

GP referral forms and more information is available at [www.gethealthy.act.gov.au/for-health-professionals](http://www.gethealthy.act.gov.au/for-health-professionals)

### Reminder: Health record access fee review

Health professionals are invited to comment on the current review of access to health record fees by ACT Health to the *Records (Privacy & Access) Act 1997*. The changes will affect patient health record-keepers.

A background paper and survey is available on the ACT Health website at: [www.health.act.gov.au/healthrecords](http://www.health.act.gov.au/healthrecords) until

**5pm 23 July 2010**. Hard copies can be posted by calling ACT Health Policy Division on 6207 7927.



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