**MEDICAL EDUCATION NEWS**

**DISCOVER WHO'S WHO IN THE ZOO - REGISTER NOW FOR MCCC SUPERVISOR WORKSHOP**

Metro West is hosting a one day professional development workshop for Supervisors on **Friday 22 July 2016** at Melbourne Zoo from 9am to 5pm.

Supervisors from Metro West and North West will come together at this event. Places are also available for Supervisors from North East and South West who wish to attend.

The workshop program includes key note addresses from Drs Hilton Koppe and Tim Leeuwenburg, parallel workshop and teaching streams. **Please RSVP and register by 12 July** to secure your registration.

Metro West Supervisors please liaise with Natalie Wood, Workshop Coordinator.

If you are travelling from outside of Melbourne and require accommodation please coordinate bookings with your Workshop coordinator: Isabelle Swanson/Sam Delphin (North East), Terri Mathot (North West), Merryn Smith (South West)

The link for further information/RSVP is: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/595VHKQ](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/595VHKQ)

**NEW TRAINING PORTFOLIOS**

Our medical education team develops and delivers education and training for GP Registrars in accordance with the Australian General Practice Training Program (AGPT) requirements and the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) and Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) training standards.

MCCC Director of Medical Education and Training, **Dr Angelina Salamone**, works closely with a team of Senior Medical Educators (SMEs) who oversee training and are key contacts within our four hubs:
- Metro West: **Dr Thanh Nguyen**
- North East: **Dr Kate Davey**
- North West: **Dr Rachel Lee**
- South West: **Drs Marg Garde & Eldon Lyon**

In a recent development, the following people have accepted appointments as portfolio leaders to support delivery of medical education across MCCC:

- **Dr Karen Aarons** - MCCC Professional Development, including Supervisor and Medical Educator  
- **Dr Cath Beasley** - Registrar Progression (through training)  
- **Tim Clement** - Research, including Academic Registrars  
- **Dr Thanh Nguyen** - Practice and Supervisor Support (including training practice, supervisor and Extended Skills Post accreditation and reaccreditation)  
- **Dr Hilda Jessop** - Registrar Support (dealing with the registrar in difficulty, remediation and the highly performing registrar)  
- **Dr Ed Poliness** - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health training  
- **Dr Peter Keppel** - ACRRM and Rural, including FARGP. (Assisting rural and ACRRM registrars navigate the program)  
- **Dr Jenni Parsons** – Education Integration (Ensuring that MCCC registrar out of practice education is integrated across the region).

**ABORIGINAL HEALTH PROGRAM UPDATE**

MCCC is committed to Closing the Gap and is undertaking a variety of activities to equip GPs with skills and knowledge that can help improve the health of Indigenous people in our community. The Department of Health has endorsed our Aboriginal Health Strategic Plan, and we are delivering a range of actions across the MCCC region, including:

- Embedding Aboriginal health into MCCC education and training workshops  
- Appointing and supporting Cultural Mentors and Cultural Educators  
- Sharing resources and building support networks with health services and agencies to provide a coordinated, collaborative approach to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health education and training  
- Working towards a Reconciliation Action Plan
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- Undertaking feasibility studies to assess the opportunity to expand blended Supervision models so we can offer additional GP training options in remote communities.

GP REGISTRAR UPDATE
SPECIAL SKILLS AND EXTENDED SKILLS TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES
One of the great things about GP training is the ability to pursue a special interest during your training. Visit the MCCC website for latest information about Extended Skills and Advanced Rural Skills Terms opportunities in the MCCC region.

CELEBRATE NAIDOC WEEK 2016 (3 – 10 July)
NAIDOC celebrations are held around Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Find out what’s happening in the MCCC GP Training region by visiting our events calendar or browse the full selection of activities on offer across Victoria on the NAIDOC website: www.naidoc.org.au.
MCCC registrars are encouraged to attend events if timing permits. Please share your NAIDOC pics on our Facebook page.

PRACTICE SUPPORT
MAKE MEL YOUR GO TO PLACE FOR TRAINING INFO AND RESOURCES
We have added a new feature to MEL, (MCCC’s online medical education learning platform) that highlights what is new or changed, including updates to our Operations Manual. Recent additions include:
- ACRRM Supervisor Pack
- AGP Withdrawal and Deferral forms

TIP: You can access MEL via the MyMCCC button on the MCCC website home page.

END OF TERM FEEDBACK REPORTS DUE SOON
GPT1 and GPT2 Registrar feedback forms are required at the end of each Term. These reports provide valuable feedback for our Medical Educators and for the Supervisors who are taking on responsibility for the Registrar during their subsequent Terms. Practices will receive a payment of $600 for each report submitted on time. The next due date for feedback is 31 July. Any report received four weeks after the deadline will not attract payment.

HELPING YOU GET ON BOARD WITH PIVOTAL – NEW REFERENCE GUIDES NOW AVAILABLE
Do you need help with logging into Pivotal, changing your password, completing RCTIs, or submitting feedback? MCCC has produced a series of quick reference guides to help people use Pivotal, MCCCs online training platform. Use the MyMCCC button on our website to access these simple, user friendly guides in the resources section - http://www.mccc.com.au/mymccc/resources/.
We will continue to produce new guides and make them available through workshops, email, MEL and the MCCC website.

RESEARCH NEWS
- Healthy diet in adolescence may reduce breast cancer risk
- Continuity of care important for older people
- Pharmacological treatments for obesity
- Web-based intervention for preventing major depression
- MBCT helps prevent depressive relapse
- Deep brain stimulation for treatment-resistant depression
- Depression and risk of dementia in older adults
- Aripiprazole in treatment-resistant late-life depression

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- Parental depression affects child school performance
- Abrupt is better than gradual smoking cessation

**PARTNERSHIP NEWS**

MCCC Regional Managers will meet with peers from EV GP Training this Friday 8 July at MCCC’s Parkville offices to exchange information and share resources.

MCCC is working closely with health services across our training region to cross promote Advanced Skills Training vacancies available at hospitals and health services. Visit the MCCC website for more details.

Jade Johnson (MCCC Aboriginal Health Liaison) and Karen Dixon (NE Regional Manager) last week met with Albury Wodonga Aboriginal Health Service, Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation and Rumbalara Aboriginal Cooperative. Thanks to Wodonga TAFE for inviting MCCC along to Serpents and Spirits Art Exhibition at the Eddie Kneebone Galley that featured beautiful pieces of art by Koori students from TAFE and Wodonga Schools.

**REGIONAL ROUND UP**

**METRO WEST:** Drs Paul Grinzi & Tanya Scott and Natalie Wood (Workshop Coordinator) are driving development and sorting logistics for the MCCC Supervisor professional development workshop coming up on 22 July.

**NORTH EAST:** staff attended a NAIDOC Week official opening ceremony in Albury that included a moving Welcome to Country and flag raising. Our OTDNET candidates recently completed their final key activity which included an on-line AKT and KFP mock exam. Congratulations to all who completed the 12 month OTDNET programme. We hope this GP training and education stands you in good stead for upcoming Fellowship examinations. Study groups for GPT3&4 are running in Yarrawonga, Wangaratta and Wodonga. Please contact Sam Delphin for further details. During July our admin team is being trained in Pivotal, Facilitating Webinar and Skype for Business.

**North West:** Members of our admin team attended NAIDOC Flag-Raising ceremonies at the City of Greater Bendigo and Bendigo & District Aboriginal Co-operative on 4 July. We enjoyed the opportunity to support the local community and learn a little more about the local Reconciliation Action Plans for these areas. **Coming up...**

Small Group Supervisor evening meetings:
- 14 July – Bendigo
- 20 July – Ballarat
- 28 July – Echuca
- 17 August – Woodend

Small Group Practice Manager breakfast meeting:
- 15 July – Bendigo
- 21 July – Ballarat
- 29 July – Echuca
- 18 August – Woodend

RSVP to Lyn-Marie Richards these events.

**South West:** Our new Regional Manager, Ann Ellis, is organising a professional development for all MCCC Training Operations and Corporate Services staff to be held in late November. This will provide many staff the opportunity to meet face-to-face with their colleagues from other sub-regions for the first time.

**COMING UP**

3 – 10 July: NAIDOC week celebrations.

16 & 17 July: National Assessment Centre, Melbourne

21 July: GPA webinar from 8-9pm: *Thinking outside the box – developing and delivering teaching that connects.* Register here: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N6SCR5G](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N6SCR5G)

24 & 25 November: MCCC Training Operations and Corporate Services professional development activity

**TIP:** Visit the [calendar](#) on the MCCC website for dates of upcoming workshops and events.