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# HealthPathways talk available via webcast

Carolyn Gullery, General Manager, Planning and Funding, Canterbury District Health Board, New Zealand will be giving a talk on HealthPathways.

Date: Tuesday, 26th February 2013

Time: 10.00am-12 noon

Available live at

http://hnestream.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/

Simply login as

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& then click on the relevant recording to begin viewing.

If you experience problems please contact the HNE Health Telehealth Technical Support on 02 498 55400

# Lifestyle Medicine course postponed

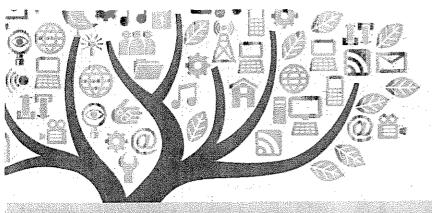
Due to a series of unforeseen events ALMA and SCU are unable to meet their commitments with Dr Ed Noffsinger to be in Australia in March.

Dr Ed Noffsinger is due to arrive in Australia in conjunction with the ALMA 5th Annual Lifestyle Medicine Conference (13th – 15th September 2013) and a new schedule of education events will be developed around that time.

## eHealth Update

The following information is provided for practices participating in the implementation of the PCEHR.

- 171 general practices are now registered for the PCEHR across the region.
- 4 practices are known to be live with the PCEHR and uploading shared health summaries
- If your Practice is now live please let us know
- NASH certificates (CD Rom) are now being received by Practice, please let us know when yours arrives
- Practices will receive a passphrase separately a few days after the NASH.
   Put these into your eHealth Toolkits
- Before you go live you will need a patient registered with the PCEHR
- Medicare is currently experiencing an overwhelming volume of forms to







process, hence delays in delivery of NASH certificates and passphrases

- Compliant software includes the latest versions of: Medical Director 3, Genie, ZedMed, MedTech32, iSoft Practix
- Best Practice are due to release compliant software this week

### ePiP tips

- Secure Messaging (Requirement 2) make sure you turn on your 'send' functionality to ensure compliance with this requirement
- Data Cleansing (Requirement 3) –
  how is this going? If you require
  assistance please contact your PCLO
  (PSO)
- eScripts (Requirement 4) do you have this functionality installed and active? If not, contact one of the providers – eRx or Medisecure

#### Resources

- Currently on our eHealth web page there is:
  - An overview of the eHealth PiP requirements
  - policy template for Secure Messaging (Requirement 2);
  - policy template for Data
     Coding and Clinical Records
     (Requirement 3)
  - o overview of eRx and Medisecure
  - Consumer and GP and Healthcare Provider eHealth brochures
  - PKI Summary of the types and their uses:

#### This week we will upload:

 a policy template for PCEHR access and use (Requirement

- This needs to be in place when you go live and start uploading or accessing the PCEHR.
- a Go Live check list for you to ensure you have everything in place before you go live
- software specific Cheat
   Sheets for configuration
- definitions associated with the PCEHR
- o eHealth Contact List

#### Coming soon we will upload:

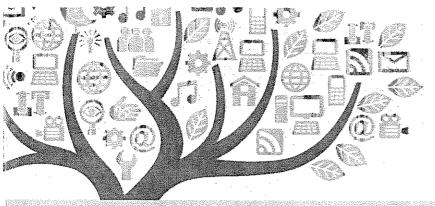
 Software specific Cheat Sheets for accessing and uploading to the PCEHR

#### What's next?

- Work with your IT Support provider to ensure your clinical software has been upgraded to the latest version (PCEHR compliant). Best Practice due by the end of February
- o Please let us know when you have received your NASH certificate and passphrase
- Work with your IT Support
   Provider to configure the software to enable PCEHR access and use

#### How can we help you to go live?

- IT Support to upgrade and configure your software to be provided by:
- Hunter ML managed practices this is part your contract; or
- Own IT Support Provider should upgrade and configure the software for you; or
- Hunter ML IT Team can provide this support on a fee for service basis, please contact the IT Team for details if required







- Go Live: if you would like process support on the day you go live, this is possible. Please contact our Provider Support Administrator to make a booking
- We will get in touch in regards to the removal of the Companion Gateways we provided to your practice last year

For more information contact a member of our eHealth team on 4925 2259

# Global Health Information forum

**Next meeting** 

Date: 6th March 2013

Time: 7pm

Venue: Hunter ML Head Office, 123 King St

Level one meeting room

There will be 4 presentations at the meeting, each about 15minutes long.

- 1. Rebecca Collins, medical student about her time in Nepal
- 2. Janice Hodgson, midwife and lactation consultant about working in remote indigenous communities
- 3. A medical student from Wake Up!, the Global health group within the faculty of medicine, University of Newcastle, taking about what this group is doing.
- 4. Robyn Fried, GP, about working in East Timor.

After the presentations, we will have some take away food arrive, and have an open forum for people to discuss whatever they wish.

RSVP to: swhite@hunterml.com.au

### **HPMI Paediatric Weekend**

Date: 9 and 10 MARCH, 2013

Venue: The Glades Function Centre Warners

Bay

Time: Saturday 8.30 AM - 5.00 PM and

Sunday 9.00 AM - 5.00 PM

For more details: www.hpmi.org anne.feletti@newcastle.edu.au (02) 4913 8173

# HealthPathways visiting the Upper Hunter

Dr Margaret Lynch and Martha Parsons are now taking bookings from practices located in Upper Hunter region who would like to learn more about the HealthPathways program.

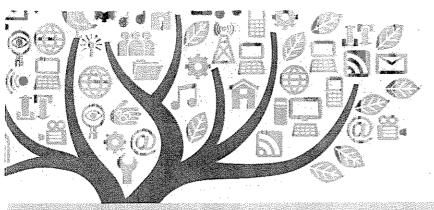
Margaret and Martha are able to offer practical demonstrations of the site and demonstrate how you can use it in your practice everyday to improve the care of your patients and save you time.

Visits are available from 7am 28th February to 6pm 1st March and ideally a minimum 1/2 hour-hour needs to be set aside to gain maximum benefit from the visit.

For more information Email: mparsons@hunterml.com.au

## Primary Health Care Management Networking Dinner

Hunter Medicare Local is hosting Primary Care Networking Dinners to address current issues and trends occurring in practices. These dinners are designed for Practice Managers and Clerical Staff, working in General Practice and Allied Health organisations, to network with other professionals within the local area.







These Networking Dinners will be focusing on eHealth, Telehealth and HealthPathways and the role of clerical and management staff. Representatives from Hunter Medicare Local will be made available for Q & A sessions and networking. Dates are as below:

Date: Wednesday 6 March Venue: The Bradford Hotel

358 New England Highway

Date: Thursday 14 March Venue: Muswellbrook RSL

113 Bridge Street, Muswellbrook

Date: Tuesday 19 March Venue: Tallwoods Verve Resort

2 Blackhead Road, Hallidays Point

If you would like to be a part of these very informative and interactive events please contact Amy Harrison at <a href="mailto:aharrison@hunterml.com.au">aharrison@hunterml.com.au</a> or 49260534.

## Health Assessments Education

Do you know how to best utilise MBS item numbers?

Hunter Medicare Local is holding a Heath Assessments education session to educate multidisciplinary health professionals on how to maximizes and assess care planning for patients.

Liz Meadley, will present an interactive education session to discuss:

- the clinical requirements for health assessments, chronic disease management and recall and reminders
- understanding and utilising key MBS item numbers and
- how to best use staff and Medicare item numbers from a whole practice approach.

Date: Tuesday 5 March

Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Venue: The Bradford Hotel
Rutherford

For further information please contact Amy Harrison on (02) 4926 0534 or email aharrison@hunterml.com.au.

### Men's Health Education

This men's health promotion education session that focuses on how we can more effectively communicate health and wellbeing messages to men and what agencies and organisations need to know about making their services, programs and resources more men friendly to achieve the best possible outcomes for men and boys. The program is for men and women who work in organisations and companies that provide health, welfare, wellbeing or community services for men and boys.

Greg Millan, will present an interactive education session to discuss:

- the current national issues are for men and boys
- principles of best practice in men's health & wellbeing work
- how to increase your knowledge and skills in men's health & wellbeing work
- the use of the H.E.A.L.T.H. model for effectively engaging with men

Date: Monday 4 March Time: 9:30am – 12:30pm

Fee: \$70

Venue: The Bradford Hotel

358 New England Highway,

Rutherford

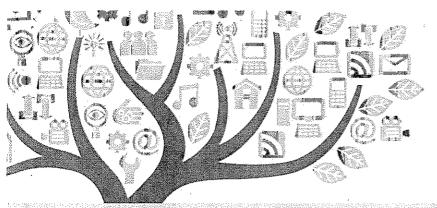
Date: Wednesday 13 March Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm

Fee: \$70

Venue: Hunter Medicare Local

Office123 King Street,

Newcastle







For further information please contact Amy Harrison on (02) 4926 0534 or email aharrison@hunterml.com.au.

## Hunter Physiotherapy Education

Lecture: Tendinopathy. Do we under use treatments in this over use condition? What are the treatment options and when should they be used?

Lecture outline: Background review of pathology, its application to humans and clinical situations (why does this cause pain mechanoreceptors, neurogenic inflammation cGRP, TRPV1 receptors, why does it happen?). Presenter will briefly review the causes of tendinopathy and its typical presentations, followed by treatment options and the evidence behind those treatment options.

This event is suitable for students.

Presenters: Dr Ross Cairns MBBS, BSc (HONS), PG Dip Sports Med

**Date**: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013 **Time**: 6.30pm - 9.30pm

Venue: Mayfield Wests Impressions Room

For more information or booking details contact local group chair Bruce Donald Bruce Donald@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au

## Little People, Big Difference: A Closer Look at Paediatric Care

This education session aims to enhance your ability to problem solve when assessing the sick child, identify clinical markers of the sick and deteriorating child and review current evidence based practice relevant to Health

Paediatric Clinical Practice Guidelines. Within this session you will understand how to utilise the Kaleidoscope Decision Tree for Mandatory Reporting and the Paediatric Health Assessment.

Date:

Friday 22 March 9:00am - 4:00pm

Time:

\$150

Venue:

The Bradford Hotel

Rutherford

For further information please contact Amy Harrison on (02) 4926 0534 or email aharrison@hunterml.com.au.

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