

Attention : All Medical Director Users

Are you writing your Home Medicines Review (HMR) referrals by hand? It might be time to consign your hard-copy forms to the bin and use the software's referral template!

The Medical Director HMR referral template is simple to use. Your patient's information (eg patient notes, test results, DOB, height, weight, smoking status etc) self-populates into the form, which means that you can quite easily generate the referral in one or two minutes. Using the software to generate the referral also means that the Accredited Pharmacist has maximum information at his/her fingertips.

To obtain a one-page laminated instruction sheet on how to generate a HMR referral using MD, please contact Lorna Hurst on 9319 0555 or email lorna.hurst@fremantlegpnetwork.com.au. Alternatively Lorna will be happy to visit your practice at a time convenient to you.

Orientation program for nurses new to General Practice by WAGPN

Topics covered in this program include:

Professional Practice

- Primary health care and the Australian health care system (General practice environment)
- Nursing standards, competencies and guidelines
- Continuing professional Development

Provision of Clinical Care

- Clinical assessment and health checks
- Triage
- Wound management
- Immunisation

Management of clinical systems

- Accreditation
- Infection control principles in general practice
- Managing practice equipment

Collaborative Practice

- Information management in general practice.
- Chronic disease management.
- Health promotion in general practice

For more information, please call Susan Hensley or Jane Butcher on 9472 2922.

Waterworks Week 14 - 20 March 2010

The week is an initiative of the Continence Advisory Service that aims to encourage people to make water their drink of choice. Workplaces and community groups are encouraged to host an event during Waterworks Week to raise awareness about the importance of adequate hydration.

Register your practice to receive a promotional kit that includes free printed resources, fluid tracker sheets, promotional materials and ideas for awareness activities and displays. For a copy of the registration form or further information please email Sheila at healthprom@continencewa.org.au

GPs needed to mentor 2nd year medical students

The University of Notre Dame Australia requires GPs in the metropolitan area, who are interested in mentoring second year medical students.

- Students are required to do 8 sessions in a general practice on either Tuesday mornings or Saturday mornings, commencing 13 March 2010.
- Formal tutorials are not required.
- The students are bright, interested, eager to learn and have already had some exposure to general practice in their first year.
- Remuneration and CPD points are available.

If interested, or for more information, please contact Maria Saldanha on tel. 08 9433 0267 or email msaldanha@nd.edu.au.

Guidelines for treating alcohol problems

The 2009 Guidelines for the Treatment of Alcohol Problems is now available. The updated Guidelines are designed to reinforce clinical interventions and are based on the latest evidence and treatment of alcohol problems.

To order your FREE copy please phone (02) 6269 1080, email health@nationalmailing.com.au or download www.alcohol.gov.au

New Resource for Patients with COPD

The Respiratory Health Network has developed the COPD Action Plan for people with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease as recommended in the WA Health COPD model of care. The model of care was developed by a working group of medical specialists, GPs, health professionals and consumers. The goal is for all patients to be provided with a COPD Action Plan from their GP, medical specialist or health care coordinator.

To obtain copies of the COPD Action Plan contact HealthInfo on 1300 135 030 and quote reference HP10842. www.healthnetworks.health.wa.gov.au.

Warning Signs of Heart Attacks now available in other languages

The Heart Foundation's 'Will you recognise your heart attack?' action plan and patient fact sheet are now available in English and six other languages. These include Arabic, Greek, Italian, Simplified Chinese (Mandarin), Traditional Chinese (Cantonese) and Vietnamese. The resources can be downloaded from www.heartfoundation.org.au/Professional_Information/Warning_Signs_of_Heart_Attack

For more information about Warning Signs resources please call 1300 36 27 87 or email health@heartfoundation.org.au

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