



# WEEKLY UPDATE

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## New Training Places Welcomed

It was pleasing to see the Australian Government announcement this week of a doubling of PGPP (intern) placements by 2013 and an increase to 1200 General Practice places by 2014.

Both will go a long way to investing in Primary Care for Australia. GP training placements this year number 700.

## Recording Panvax on ACIR

When the Panvax vaccine is recorded on the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) the dose number refers to the number of "influenza vaccines" the child has received.

eg : Fluvax dose 1 on 10 June 2009

Fluvax dose 2 on 15 July 200

Panvax given on 17 February 2010 appears on ACIR as dose 3 of Influenza vaccine not Panvax dose 1.

Please be aware of this when checking immunisation records on ACIR.



## Breast Cancer screening at Mt Barker

The BreastScreen SA mobile unit will be located in the MBDSMH from early April to late July 2010.

**Their aim is to screen at least 70% of women aged 50-69**

## Free RHEF professional development DVD available for loan

### "Breast Cancer: Challenges After Treatment"

Learning outcomes:

- Understand the challenges facing women after treatment of breast cancer
- Describe routine follow-up protocols after treatment
- Understand common treatment-related side effects and their management
- Identify strategies to ensure access to appropriate information and support

To borrow this DVD contact [alice@ahdgp.org.au](mailto:alice@ahdgp.org.au)

A large range of RHEF educational programs are available to view free online, go to [www.rhef.com.au](http://www.rhef.com.au)

## Expanded Flu Program

### Practice Nurses and Practice Managers are invited to an impromptu Question and Answer Session

Topics

- Components of the Flu vaccine
- Who is eligible for the Flu vaccine in 2010
- Working with Pentool : searching for Patients with Chronic Disease on Medical Director

On : 30th March 2010, from 12 noon to 2pm

At : The Mount Barker Hospital Boardroom

RSVP: by 23rd March 2010 to [dianne@ahdgp.org.au](mailto:dianne@ahdgp.org.au)

## National Bowel Cancer Screening Program for Practice Nurses

Are you confident about your role in the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program?

An easy on-line learning module can provide you with the answers, and is now available FREE to APNA members AND non-members at [www.apna.asn.au](http://www.apna.asn.au).

Click on National Bowel Cancer Screening Program and follow the steps.

After completing the module, you will be able to:

- Identify the symptoms associated with bowel cancer
- Identify bowel cancer risk factors and list measures to reduce bowel cancer risk
- Identify who is eligible for the NBCSP and how often patients should be screened
- Understand your duty of care in relation to patients in the NBCSP and those currently ineligible for the program
- Identify the type of FOBT the NBCSP uses
- Understand the process for dissemination of FOBT kits to eligible people
- Manage queries about using an FOBT
- Understand how to manage patients with either a positive or negative FOBT result
- Obtain General Practice assessment forms and submit completed forms to the Register

Members will also receive 1 APNA CPD point upon completion of the module

For more information, contact the Bowel Cancer Education Coordinator at the Cancer Council WA on (08) 9388 4376.

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