

## ANZSPM Member Alert – July 2018

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### Government news

#### Consultation on Medical Board of Australia Code of Conduct

An email was sent out to Members on 23 July seeking comments on the revised Medical Board of Australia code of conduct that is currently under consultation until 3 August 2018. The consultation paper and revised code of conduct can be viewed [here](#).

Please email ANZSPM at [submissions@anzspm.org.au](mailto:submissions@anzspm.org.au) any comments by **5pm (AEST) Tuesday 31 July**. ANZSPM will then prepare a response to the consultation based on member feedback.

### TGA Expressions of Interest sought for Statutory Advisory Committee

The TGA is seeking expressions of interest from professionals in relevant scientific and medical fields or appropriate consumer health issues to support its functions as a best practice regulator.

#### Statutory Advisory Committee vacancies

As a committee member you will contribute significantly towards the TGA's regulatory functions by providing independent expert advice on specific technical matters relating to the regulation of medicines, devices, cell and tissue products and other substances.

Further details can be found on the [website](#) and enquiries can be made by email to [committee.vacancies@health.gov.au](mailto:committee.vacancies@health.gov.au)

Please note the closing date for applications is **5pm (AEST) Tuesday 31 July 2018**.

### Palliative Care Australia Expressions of Interest sought for Clinical Advisory Committee

PCA is seeking expressions of interest from palliative care health professionals for participation in the newly formed Clinical Advisory Committee. The committee is led by PCA's Nurse Practitioner Clinical Advisor and reports to the CEO PCA.

#### Roles and Responsibilities

The Clinical Advisory Committee aims to provide advice, recommendations and guidance, within their scope of expertise, on clinical issues that are identified by Palliative Care Australia.

The purpose of the Expression of Interest is to ensure that the clinical expertise of the palliative care sector is represented as equitably as possible. The committee membership is skills based and will take into consideration clinical area of expertise, setting of practice and experience of the provision of clinical advice.

Please send a one page response to the Expression of Interest, with past and current experience in the palliative care sector to Kate Reed-Cox via email [kate@palliativecare.org.au](mailto:kate@palliativecare.org.au), closing date is **5pm (AEST) Tuesday 31 July 2018**.

For any further information, please contact Kate Reed-Cox via email on [kate@palliativecare.org.au](mailto:kate@palliativecare.org.au).

#### **For information: caring@home – national palliative care project on symptom management for palliative patients**

caring@home is a new national palliative care project funded by the Australia Government and led by Brisbane South Palliative Care Collaborative. The project aims to improve the quality of palliative care service delivery across Australia by developing resources that will support people to be cared for, and to die at home, if that is their choice.

Resources are being produced for community service providers, health care professionals and carers to support carers to help manage breakthrough symptoms safely using subcutaneous medicines. The resources will be applicable in all jurisdictions across Australia.

caring@home has recently launched a new website [www.caring@homeproject.com.au](http://www.caring@homeproject.com.au)

Education and training resources are currently in the final stage of development and will be available on the website from November 2018.

If you have any questions please contact Natalie Blauensteiner, Senior Communications Officer at [Natalie.Blaensteiner@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:Natalie.Blaensteiner@health.qld.gov.au)

#### **Support for Rural Specialists – Funding Offer**

Are you an RACP Fellow who lives and works in rural and remote Australia? Did you know you can access grants worth up to \$10,000 to boost your professional development. For details visit the [RACP website](#) or [Support for Rural Specialists in Australia](#).

**Applications for Funding Round 3 are now open. Application window 1 June – 31 August 2018.**

#### **ANZSPM Conference 2018**

Join us in Sydney this September for the ANZSPM Conference 2018: *New Frontiers!* The conference will be held **Thursday 6 September to Sunday 9 September** at the Novotel Sydney Manly-Pacific on Sydney's beautiful northern beaches, with a packed [program](#) of workshops, plenary and break-out sessions.

To view the full program and register now, visit the conference website — [www.anzspm.org.au/anzspm18](http://www.anzspm.org.au/anzspm18).

#### **Other Events for your diary**

A calendar of events for 2018 is available on the ANZSPM website [events pages](#). Information is provided on the ANZSPM website [events calendar](#) as it becomes available. If you know of an event of interest to members that is not already listed, please email details to [info@anzspm.org.au](mailto:info@anzspm.org.au).

#### **2018 Australasian Palliative Link International Forum 5 September 2018, UTS Sydney**

The 2018 Australasian Palliative Link International Forum will be held on Wednesday 5 September 2018 (adjacent to the ANZSPM Conference) from 8:30am to 3:15pm at The University of Technology Sydney.

The APLI annual forum is an opportunity to learn about the work that is being done to help with development of palliative care in our neighbouring countries and meet like-minded clinicians who share a passion for global health. This year the program will include presentations from volunteer mentors Sarah Begley and Joan Ryan. Brett Sutton will provide an update on palliative care in humanitarian aid settings

and emergencies and Delamy Keall will discuss her three-month advanced training placement in Kerala. We will also hear from Pallium India project officer Shalini AJ.

For more information, please contact Anil Tandon [chairman@apli.net.au](mailto:chairman@apli.net.au). To register, please click on [this link](#). Cost \$50 per person with Indian buffet lunch provided.

## Aukahatia Fostering Resilience

23rd Hospice New Zealand Palliative Care Conference  
19-21 September 2018 / Auckland, New Zealand

Aukahatia – Fostering Resilience, the 23rd Hospice NZ Palliative Care Conference, is for any healthcare professional involved in palliative care. The conference will take place from Wednesday 19 - Friday 21 September at the Cordis Hotel, Auckland. Aukahatia honours and reinforces the importance of strength and resilience when it comes to the end of life. Strength and resilience is essential at an organisational and community level for those providing or using palliative care services.

This is an opportunity to hear from top international and New Zealand based speakers and network with over 300 palliative care professionals from a range of disciplines. The conference will be strategic, practical and forward thinking. During the conference, delegates will be reminded of the importance and need to be part of a strong team and community to provide excellent end of life care to patients their families and whanau.

### Who should attend?

Everyone is welcome, but the conference is aimed at health care professionals working for hospice (doctors, nurses, members of the multidisciplinary team) as well as GP's, district nurses, researchers, educators, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, counsellors, social workers, art therapists, staff from DHB's, and people working in aged residential care and primary care.

For all registration information, please click [here](#). Please note that there is an option for one day registrations for those who are unable to commit to the full conference.

For further information regarding the conference, please click [here](#).

### **2019 Australian Pain Society 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting 7-10 April 2019, Gold Coast**

The year 2019 invites a different posture, as we gather to extend the gains of 2018 while reflecting on The IASP Year Against Pain in the Most Vulnerable. The Scientific Program Committee has curated a stellar cast of not-to-be-missed national and international speakers including: Professor Beth Darnall (Department of Anesthesiology, Stanford University: prevention of post surgical pain, targeted psychological strategies, opioid reduction); Dr Nanna Finnerup (Department of Clinical Medicine, Aarhus University, Denmark: pathophysiology and therapy of neuropathic pain); and Professor Tor Wager (Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience laboratory, University of Colorado: neurophysiology of pain and emotion, affective learning, and brain-body communication).

Visit the [website](#) or contact: Conference Secretariat: DC Conferences, 02 9954 4400

or [aps2019@dcconferences.com.au](mailto:aps2019@dcconferences.com.au)

### Careers

Three **new positions** have recently been advertised on the ANZSPM website - visit the ANZSPM [Jobs](#) pages for details.

## 2018-19 Membership Renewals

Have you renewed your ANZSPM membership for the 2018-19 year?

If not, please note your membership expired on 30 June 2018 and your access to the ANZSPM members' area and member updates will shortly close.

Please login on the ANZSPM website and follow the prompts to renew now. **Don't forget to check that your details, including your current membership type is correct (if no changes, click "Update" to be redirected to the payment gateway).**

Membership inquiries should be directed to [info@anzspm.org.au](mailto:info@anzspm.org.au).

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