

Australasian Pharmacist Prescribing Workshop

Wednesday 27 October 2010



National Alliance for Pharmacy Education (NAPE)

For almost a decade pharmacists in Great Britain have been involved in advanced practice activities including prescribing. Pharmacists in many other countries, Australia included, are exploring opportunities and models for pharmacists to practice at advanced levels. For some time now, nearly 30 practitioners and researchers from different institutions in Australia and New Zealand with a special interest in pharmacist prescribing have met as a group. They discuss ideas to take the pharmacist prescribing agenda forward and they share details from pilot projects.

In January 2009, the group had its first face-to-face meeting (workshop) at the University of Queensland. The 2010 Workshop will be organised under the auspices of National Alliance for Pharmacy Education (NAPE), a consortium of four Australian Universities – Monash University, The University of Sydney, The University of Queensland and University of South Australia – formed to support the ongoing advancement of the pharmacy profession as a key contributor to the healthcare team. The Workshop will be held at the Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Monash University (Parkville campus), 381 Royal Parade, Parkville, Vic 3052, Australia.

PROGRAM

Keynote addresses will be given by representatives from the Pharmacy Board of Australia, Pharmacy Council of New Zealand, Health Workforce Australia, National Prescribing Service, Department of Health, Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, The Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia, The Pharmacy Guild, Australian Association of Consultant Pharmacy and NAPE. The program includes presentation of data from pilot prescribing projects and feasibility studies, small group workshops and a panel discussion involving all the keynote speakers.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This workshop is open to pharmacists and other health professionals, researchers, policy makers and educationalists with an active interest in pharmacist prescribing. Places are limited to 100 so we urge you to register early for this workshop. The following groups may be specifically interested to attend:

- Members of the prescribing teleconference group
- Those involved in prescribing research
- Pharmacists who have completed/enrolled in a prescribing course
- Those associated with developing prescribing models at a legislative or policy level

REGISTRATION

Early bird (by 15 September 2010): AU\$75.00

Full registration (16 September 2010 – 15 October 2010): AU\$100.00

Registration includes morning and afternoon tea, and lunch.

The attached registration form should be completed (preferably electronically, using Adobe) and e-mailed to Ms Janet Leeder (Janet.Leeder@monash.edu) or posted to the address on the form. Payment can be made by credit card or cheque (made payable to 'Monash University'). **Registrations will not be accepted after 15 October.**

ABSTRACTS

Abstracts for oral or poster presentations are invited from pharmacists who have carried out demonstration projects or feasibility studies around pharmacist prescribing. Abstracts as MS Word documents should be submitted by e-mail to Dr Johnson George (Johnson.George@monash.edu), with a statement indicating your preferred mode of presentation. We will acknowledge the receipt of abstracts within 3 working days. The closing date for submission of abstracts is **8 September 2010**.

Abstracts should have the following format: Title, Authors and affiliations, Aims, Methods, Results, and Conclusion. Abstracts should be type written in Times New Roman font size 12 or equivalent, single spaced, have no more than 250 words and fit in one-A4 page with at least 2 cm margin on each side. In addition to the text, one table is permitted; however the abstract must still meet the above requirements.

Authors will be notified of the outcome and the mode of presentation not later than 13 September 2010. A maximum of six abstracts will be selected for oral presentation (10 minutes presentation + 5 minutes for questions). Posters are to be prepared with dimensions not exceeding 1.20m wide by 1.20m high. Presenters will be allocated time within the program to interact with delegates to discuss their poster. Further information and instructions for preparation of oral and poster presentations will be distributed at abstract acceptance.

VENUE

Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Monash University (Parkville campus), 381 Royal Parade, Parkville, Vic 3052 is 3 km north of Melbourne's city centre and is part of the 'Parkville strip' - Australia's premier health and biomedical precinct. Parkville is about a 30 minute taxi trip from Melbourne Airport, and generally costs around \$50, depending on traffic, time of day, etc. The Skybus provides an express service between Melbourne Airport (all terminals) and Southern Cross Railway Station (Spencer Street in the city) every 10 – 15 minutes from about 6am until about 9.30pm daily, and at least hourly for the rest of the time – a 24-hour-a-day, seven-days-a-week service. The Skybus trip takes around 20 minutes depending upon traffic. Fares are \$16.00 one way, or \$26.00 return. The number 19 tram (North Coburg) from Elizabeth Street in the City takes 15-20 minutes to reach the campus; get off at stop 16.



ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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