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APHA National Procedure Banding Schedule

Latest edition of the National Procedure Banding Schedule now available

The latest version of the Banding Schedule is now available for download at www.apha.org.au Hard copy subscribers will receive their copies in the next few days.

APHA Health Workforce Training Survey Results

Earlier this year APHA carried out a member survey to find out how much health workforce training is taking place in private hospitals. The results of the survey show that APHA member hospitals are providing an impressive 9 million student and staff hours of training per year. A breakdown of the results can be found on the APHA website.

[APHA health workforce training survey results](#)

Federal Minister releases “Roadmap” to health reform

A “Roadmap to Reform” was released last week by the Minister for Health and Ageing, Nicola Roxon. The document sets out an indicative timetable and implementation plan, detailing when and how the government’s health reforms will be implemented. According to the document, the elective surgery National Access Guarantee, that will see rapid treatment in a public or private hospital for patients who have waited longer than the clinically recommended time, will be implemented in stages from 1 July 2012. A full copy of the Roadmap document can be downloaded from the yourhealth.gov.au website by clicking the link below:

[Roadmap to reform document](#)

ACSQHC Latest Bulletin now available

The latest *Update Newsletter* from the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care is now available. This edition includes an update on the Healthcare Associated Infection Initiatives, National Safety and Quality Healthcare Standards and Recognising and Responding to Clinical Deterioration Program. Go to <http://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/internet/safety/publishing.nsf/Content/issue-11-july-2010> to read or download the *Update*.

APHA Baxter Awards

APHA would like to encourage all current members to submit an entry to the 2010 APHA / Baxter

Awards for Quality & Excellence! Prepare your winning entry and imagine taking the stage to receive an award in one of the following categories at the Gala Dinner & Awards Night:

1. Clinical Excellence
2. Ambulatory Care
3. Community Involvement

Entry is free and the submission criterion is short and simple to complete. Winners will be announced at the APHA 30th Annual National Congress Gala Dinner Awards Night – a night not to be missed!

Entries close on 30th July 2010. Download the Application Prospectus at www.apha.org.au

Quality and Safety Professionals – Education Session in Melbourne

The Victorian Healthcare Quality Association (the Victorian branch of the AAQHC) with support from the NHMRC CRE in Patient Safety is holding a seminar on Friday 30 July . The 2.5 hour seminar is titled, "Safety and Quality: Getting it done without doing it all" and will be led by Dr Cathy Balding, who has 20 years experience in safety and quality management and policy development.

This session will be of particular interest and relevance to people responsible for quality management within organisations. To register – please contact Belinda Westlake bwestlake@moynehealth.vic.gov.au The Seminar will be held at the Alfred Hospital.