



APHA Vital Signs

A WEEKLY ROUND-UP OF NEWS VITAL TO THE PRIVATE HOSPITAL INDUSTRY

10 March 2013

APHA Closed Monday 11 March - Canberra Day Public Holiday

The APHA Secretariat will be closed on Monday 11 March 2013 for the Canberra Day public holiday. The office will reopen on Tuesday 12 March at 8.30am.

APHA 32nd National Congress

Thank you to everyone who attended the APHA's 32nd National Congress. The Congress was an excellent three days of networking and learning. Presentations from the Congress can be downloaded at: <http://www.icebergevents.com/apha2013/Program/#.UTibu1eP9i0> You can also check out photos from the Congress on the Valuing Private Hospitals Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/valuingprivatehospitals>

APHA Launches New Website

APHA is proud to launch its new website which highlights the latest news affecting private hospitals and the healthcare industry, APHA's *Private Hospital* magazine and social media channels. To view the new website, visit: <http://www.apha.org.au/>

If you experience any difficulties with the website, please advise APHA's Communications Officer [Lyndal Bailey](#).

Benchmarking Performance – How Can APHA Help You?

After attending the APHA National Congress are you challenged by James Robinson's 'the age of accountability'? What do you see as the key problems? APHA would like to know how we can best help hospitals understand their performance and benchmark against national indicators. We started this work with the APHA Indicator Collection but NOW is your chance to have a say about where we need to go next. The survey should only take 15 minutes to complete and your response by **COB Friday 15 March 2013** would be greatly appreciated. <http://www.apha.org.au/2013/03/do-you-need-help-measuring-up-against-the-nchbois/>

On the Radar - Issue 117

On the Radar is a summary of some of the recent publications in the areas of safety and quality in health care. Some of this week's content includes:

Closing the Quality Gap: A Critical Analysis of Quality Improvement Strategies

Performance data on all surgeons in England will be published within two years

Wisdom through adversity: Learning and growing in the wake of an error

On the Radar is available via email or as a PDF document from <http://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/publications-resources/on-the-radar/>

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