



## APHA Vital Signs

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

8 September 2013

### The Third Healthcare Revolution

ACSQHC are hosting a public lecture on The Third Healthcare Revolution, presented by Professor Sir Muir Gray.

Date: Monday, 30 September 2013

Time: 5:30pm to 6:30pm (refreshments from 5:00pm)

Venue: Rydges World Square, 389 Pitt Street, Sydney

RSVP: By Friday, 20 September 2013 by emailing [ACSQHCevents@safetyandquality.gov.au](mailto:ACSQHCevents@safetyandquality.gov.au)

### FWA – Full Bench Dismissal of the HSU’s appeal in respect of the definition of a shift worker for the purposes of annual leave

The Full Bench of Fair Work Australia dismissed the HSU’s appeal in respect of the definition of a shift worker for the purposes of annual leave and upheld the decision of VP Watson on 15 April 2013. Had this appeal been upheld the cost impact to the private hospitals sector would have been considerable.

APHA members were represented in this matter by the Private Hospital Industry Employers’ Associations (PHIEA).

Details of the full decision and determination can be found online at <http://www.fwc.gov.au/decisionssigned/html/2013FWCFB5551.htm> and <http://www.fwc.gov.au/decisionssigned/html/2013FWCFB5551.htm>

### Mental Health Week 2013

Mental Health Week is fast approaching: 6 – 12 October 2013.

This year, nearly 200 private hospitals will mark Mental Health Week with displays, events, and community talks. APHA has been proud to coordinate and provide campaign material for hospitals over the [past few years](#).

If you would like your facility to get involved with this year’s campaign, please contact [Lyndal Bailey](#) at APHA.

### Have Your Say on the Future Health Workforce

The Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council (CS&HISC) is inviting industry stakeholders to provide input into the 2014 CS&HISC Environmental Scan (EScan).

This is an opportunity for employers to have their say about how changes in policy and service demand are impacting on the current and required health workforce. You can provide comment direct to the Council by completing a [quick online survey](#) which closes on Wednesday 25 September 2013.

APHA will be making a submission to this process guided by the APHA Workforce Taskforce. Members can contribute to the APHA submission by contacting [Mehrdad Khodai-Joopari](#) or [Lucy Cheetham](#) on 02 6273 9000.

## **Private Hospital Magazine – December 2013 Edition**

APHA is looking for articles for the December 2013 Edition of *Private Hospital Magazine* and would love to hear from your hospital.

The theme for this edition focuses on community involvement from individuals within your hospitals. Here is your chance to feature and show off your wonderful staff and how they relate to your community and any other newsworthy happenings at your facility.

Submissions for the magazine should be around 450 words in length and should be accompanied with high resolution photographs. The deadline for submissions is 14 October 2013.

Please email [Lyndal Bailey](mailto:Lyndal.Bailey@apha.gov.au) with your ideas for articles.

## **On the Radar - Issue 142**

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:

*Progress in Patient Safety: A Glass Fuller Than It Seems*

*The Effect of an Organizational Network for Patient Safety on Safety Event Reporting*

*Setting Quality and Safety Priorities in a Target-Rich Environment: An Academic Medical Center's Challenge*

*"Excuse Me:" Teaching Interns to Speak Up*

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