Orientation Program for Nurses New to General Practice

DATE
28-29 October 2010

VENUE
Arrow on Swanston
488 Swanston St
CARLTON

This 2-day workshop will support nurses who have been working in a medical practice for up to 12 months. However, some nurses that have been working in general practice for longer, often only one day per week also benefit from attending, as it gives the participant an overview of nursing in general practice. Quite often, nurses previously working in different areas e.g. the acute setting, are not always competent and confident in the duties, knowledge of care required for the role of practice nurse. The aim of this program is to develop the knowledge and clinical skills of the nurse to assist the General Practitioner to provide comprehensive interventions and population based primary health care within the scope of practice of professional ethical and legal responsibilities. This is a national program that has been developed through the Australian General Practice Network.

Topics covered in this program will include:

**Professional Practice**
- Primary Health Care and the Australian Health Care System (General Practice environment)
- Nursing Standards, Competencies and Guidelines
- Continuing Professional Development

**Management of clinical systems**
- Accreditation
- Infection control principles in general practice
- Managing practice equipment

**Provision of Clinical Care**
- Clinical assessment and health checks
- Triage
- Wound Management
- Immunisation

**Collaborative Practice**
- Information management in general practice
- Chronic disease management
- Health promotion in general practice

ENQUIRIES
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Course Cost
The orientation program is sponsored by the Australian General Practice Network (AGPN) which allows for the heavily discounted registration fee of $120 (GST inc). The fee includes all course materials, morning tea and lunch on both days.