

WEBINAR | GPs working in Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACF): New medical, allied health and mental health services

An invitation is extended to General Practitioners, Practice Staff and RACF nurses to attend this education event.

Gippsland PHN Education Event: 03GPAHRACF21-22

WEBINAR

NEW DATE!

WEDNESDAY

10 November 2021

6.15pm – 7.30pm
(join Zoom from 6.00pm)

PRE-WEBINAR REQUIREMENTS

Participants are required to view the video modules prior to attendance at webinars total time 1-1.5hrs)

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On day of webinar

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WORKSHOP OUTLINE

The Australian Government Department of Health has introduced the *Allied Health in Residential Aged Care Facilities – COVID Allied Health Package*. This program is a temporary measure aimed at improving physical functioning of RACF residents who are at risk of deconditioning due to the COVID-19 lockdowns in 2020. Funding is available for therapy sessions, and in December 2020 temporary MBS items were made available to improve access to multidisciplinary care for residents of RACFs during the pandemic.

In a collaborative approach with Vic/Tas PHN, medical consulting specialists Medical Business Services have developed 5 individual video modules and resources for General Practice and RACF nurses. These panel discussion webinars will discuss the modules and resources available to support referral and coordinated care for RACF patients.

Describing the new services for MBS and commissioned services, the panel will consist of Geriatrician, Dr Jesse Zanka, specialist consultants and a local physiotherapist, Priyanka Gupta. Learn:

- Why now? The rationale
- GP Services
- Allied health services including group services
- Mental health services
- Referral pathways
- The role of care coordination
- Opportunities and challenges

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Understand the new MBS services available to RACF residents
2. Understand referral processes into new services
3. Understand service constraints and limitations
4. Identify opportunities for improved service delivery to RACF residents

FACILITATORS

Riwka Hagen, FAICD, FAAPM, B.App.Sc(Med Sc), Dip. Project Management

Riwka is the Director of Medical Business Services providing consulting, advisory, coaching, training and mentoring services to the health sector Australia-wide. After starting her professional career as a Medical Scientist, Riwka embarked on a career of medical practice management and general practice accreditation. She has a strong interest in quality improvement, business planning and financial management.

Kim Poyner – Kim is a Director of the Australasian Society of Lifestyle Medicine and the Practice Excellence Institute. She has an extensive history working with medical centres and Primary Health Networks to train medical professionals in behaviour change theory and chronic disease management. Through her business MediCoach, Kim mentors nurses and organisations to achieve their best, ensuring they are resilient in the changing health landscape.

Dr Jesse Zanker, Geriatrician, PhD
Jesse is a geriatrician with public (Echuca Regional Health, Western Health, Aboriginal Community Elders Services) and private roles (Director, Aria Health). He works clinically in hospital, community clinics and in residential aged care. Jesse is a PhD candidate and tutor with University of Melbourne and Research Fellow with Deakin University.