



GP News

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Mum Sonia and baby Elsie met Health Minister Jill Hennessy at the Women's as new data was released showing that whooping cough in babies is at historically low levels in Victoria. [Read more](#)

Vaccinations during pregnancy

In June last year the Victorian Government reinstated the free whooping cough vaccine for expectant parents and parents of newborns. The Whooping Cough Vaccination Program is available to all pregnant women from 28 weeks gestation and their partners. In addition, all parents and guardians of newborn babies under six months are eligible.

Vaccination against pertussis (whooping cough) and influenza is strongly recommended during pregnancy to protect expectant mothers and their babies against these serious infections. Other inactivated vaccines are not routinely recommended during pregnancy but may be considered in special circumstances. Live attenuated vaccines are contraindicated in pregnancy. Some vaccines, like rubella, and varicella may be needed when planning pregnancy so the mother is immune before she becomes pregnant.

Quadrivalent influenza vaccines (QIV) are now provided free for pregnant women under the NIP. QIV protect against the same three influenza strains as trivalent influenza vaccines (TIV), as well as one more influenza B strain.

See the [National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance \(NCIS\) resource page](#) for information about influenza and pertussis vaccines for Australians and vaccinations during pregnancy.

Seminar on Pregnancy, Neonatal and Infant Issues

Date and time: Saturday 19 November 2016, 9am – 1:30pm

Venue: The Royal Children's Hospital Ella Latham Lecture Theatre

Allocation: Category 2 RACGP QI & CPD points applied for

CPD points at this event contribute to the CPD requirements for reaccreditation as a shared maternity care affiliate GP at the Women's/MHW/WH/NH for the 2017-2019 triennium

Cost: \$35.00

Reserve your place: [Booking website](#)

Enquiries: kids.connect@rch.org.au

The Royal Women's Hospital and Royal Children's Hospital are hosting a seminar for GPs, shared maternity care affiliates, community nurses and midwives.

Presentations include topics such as eczema and neonatal skin disorders, food allergy in infants including the latest feeding guidelines, formulae and allergy testing, as well as perinatal mood disorders and bleeding in pregnancy.

Training in psychosexual medicine at the Women's

These seminars are for registered medical practitioners, nurses, midwives and physiotherapists who are currently seeing patients who may have problems of a sexual nature.

The seminars provide basic training in Psychosexual Medicine, accredited by the Institute of Psychosexual Medicine (IPM), UK. They include case-based discussion and analysis. Each seminar lasts approximately 4 hours.

Term 2

Saturday mornings 9.00am – 1.00pm

26 November 2016

4 February 2016

4 March 2016

Cost (per term)

The fee includes training membership of the IPM, UK.

Doctors: \$595

Nurses, midwives and allied health professionals: \$395

Registration

1. Log on to the [Institute of Psychosexual Medicine website](#)
2. Read the information on the website
3. Click on Training
4. Fill in the application form and email to susan.carr@thewomens.org.au
5. When accepted, logon to EventBrite and pay online

Perinatal data: birth outcomes

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) has released a new web report on perinatal data. These dynamic data displays provide AIHW National Perinatal Data reports focusing on baby outcomes for 2010–2013. This release presents the new Baby outcomes module and displays data that have not previously been presented in the perinatal data portal.

Visit [Perinatal data SAS VA update: birth outcomes](#).

New Parkville cancer care model

The Women's, RMH and Peter Mac are working collaboratively to provide cancer care to patients across the Parkville precinct, with patients benefiting from the shared expertise of cancer clinicians from across the three hospitals. There is no change to the referral process or contact numbers and referred patients are allocated a unique patient record number that will enable them to move between the three hospitals along with their medical history and treatment plan.

Patient assessment and care is now managed through 12 precinct-wide Tumour Streams, each with a Director supported by a multi-disciplinary team of experts.

Victorian Maternity and Newborn Clinical Network (VMNCN) newsletter

The Victorian Maternity and Newborn Clinical Network (VMNCN) promotes collaboration between maternity and newborn care providers and helps services to identify local strategies when implementing state wide clinical practice guidelines.

The VMNCN publishes a newsletter bimonthly and communicate new research, information and resources. [See the latest newsletter and clinical guidelines.](#)

Shared Maternity Care Workshop 2016 fully booked

The 2016 Shared Maternity Care Workshop to be held on Saturday 15th October is now fully booked.

All shared maternity care affiliates were mailed an invitation in late August. If you did not receive an invitation, please check that your practice passed it onto you and that the address we have on file for you is correct.

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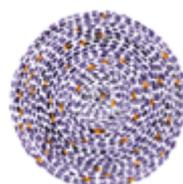
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On the Women's website

[Research Report 2015](#)

The Women's is proud to present the 2015 Research Report for the Royal Women's Hospital, in this, our 160th year

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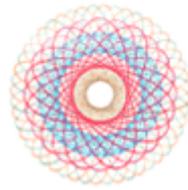
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