



The Royal Australasian
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RACP EVOLVE to feature at Congress 2016

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Clinical updates from leading experts involved in The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) EVOLVE initiative, are among the highlights of day one of RACP Congress 2016*.

Launched last year, EVOLVE is a physician-led initiative that seeks to drive high-value patient care through the identification and reduction of clinical practices that offer little or no value to patients in a given clinical context.

There are already 10 EVOLVE lists published with another 14 lists currently under development. These lists are based on rigorous reviews of evidence and draw on the experience of Australia's leading clinical experts.

RACP President Laureate Professor Nicholas Talley said he looked forward to hearing feedback from Fellows on an initiative that is a currently a key focus for the RACP.

"Many of the recommendations are relevant to a number of clinical disciplines and RACP Congress is a great opportunity for our members to hear from their colleagues in other specialties on the latest evidence, on what has changed and what is now best practice," explained Professor Talley.

"Working to ensure the highest quality care for our patients is at the heart of what it means to be a physician and paediatrician. Having targeted and evidence-based recommendations that will facilitate conversations between specialists and their patients is vitally important."

For more information on EVOLVE and to view the completed lists, visit www.evolve.edu.au.

* RACP Congress 2016 brings together approximately 1000 of Australasia's leading medical specialists to discuss the latest developments in healthcare. This year's event is held in Adelaide from May 16 to 18.

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About The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP): The RACP trains, educates and advocates on behalf of more than 15,000 physicians and 7,500 trainee physicians across Australia and New Zealand.

The College represents a broad range of medical specialties including general medicine, paediatrics and child health, cardiology, respiratory medicine, neurology, oncology, public health medicine, occupational and environmental medicine, palliative medicine, sexual health medicine, rehabilitation medicine, geriatric medicine and addiction medicine. Beyond the drive for medical excellence, the RACP is committed to developing health and social policies which bring vital improvements to the wellbeing of patients.

The College offers 60 training pathways. These lead to the award of one of seven qualifications that align with 45 specialist titles recognised by the Medical Board of Australia or allow for registration in nine vocational scopes with the Medical Council of New Zealand.