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CHAPTER OF COMMUNITY CHILD HEALTH COMMITTEE MID-YEAR COMMUNIQUÉ AUGUST 2015

Welcome to the Chapter of Community Child Health Committee (CCCHC) mid-year communiqué which is made available to all Fellows, Trainees and College staff. This communiqué keeps you informed and updated of matters pertaining to the CCCHC for the first half of 2015.

Dear Fellow and Trainee Members,

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- The CCH Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA) pilot concludes Monday 31 August. Trainees and participants from the pilot have now been sent post-pilot surveys to capture their feedback on their experience.
- A Community Child Health EPA Pilot Wrap-up session will be held at the RACP Sydney offices on Friday 18 September. This day will provide participants an opportunity to share their thoughts and experiences on the pilot with both the College and other participants. The presentations and group discussions filmed on the day will contribute to the development of new resources to support trainees and supervisors in the use of work-based learning and assessments.
- Thank you to Dr Mick O’Keeffe for his continuous effort and work in this area.

WORKFORCE

- The Chapter reviewed its rural workforce and noted low numbers; this may be partly attributed to practitioners identifying as general paediatricians primarily.

POLICY & ADVOCACY

Chapter contribution to RACP response / input to:

- National Framework for Child and Family Health Services – Secondary and Tertiary Services, March 2015.
- Proposal for a National Disability Insurance Scheme Quality and Safeguarding Framework, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), April 2015.
- Developing the Third Action Plan (2015-2018) [National Framework for Protecting Children], Driving change: engaging the community – A Discussion Paper, Department of Social Services, May 2015.
- The Use of Photo and Video Imaging in Cases of Suspected Child Sexual Abuse, Physical Abuse and Neglect – draft policy, NSW Kids & Families, May 2015.

Chapter participation:

- National Framework for Protecting Australia’s Children: Third Action Plan Consultations, Dr Terry Donald, 30 April 2015.
- National Community Child Health Council Meeting, Dr Kerri-Lyn Webb, 30 April 2015
- Representatives of the CCCHC continue to be involved with PCHD meetings with the National Disability Insurance Agency.

RESEARCH

- The Rue Wright Memorial Award 2015 was awarded to Dr Christine Jeffries-Stokes - *Pulkurlkpa – The Western Desert Kidney Health Project Strategies to build resilience and combat kidney disease and Type 2 Diabetes.*
- Chapter member, Dr Catherine McAdam won the Best Poster Award 2015 – *Measuring what matters to patients and families - the impact of attending paediatric services.*
- Chapter member Dr James Fitzpatrick won the PCHD Wiley-Blackwell Publishing New Investigator Prize 2015 - *Prevalence of fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS) in a population based sample of children living in remote Australia: The Lillilwan Project.*

MEMBERS

- The Chapter of Community Child Health Satellite Day was held Sunday 25 May. Prof John Boulton gave the plenary [An Imagined Future: Whither adolescents in Aboriginal Australia](#) (to be viewed in conjunction with the [talking points](#)).
- Thank you to the working group for another excellent day: Dr Chris Pearson, Dr Tim Jelleyman, Dr John Eastwood, Dr Bessy Lampropoulos and Dr Terry Donald.
- The Chapter Annual Dinner was held Sunday 24 May, in Cairns, Queensland, Australia.
- [Chapter Chat](#) was published in April 2015.

Please note that we are seeking a budding or experienced editor for [Chapter Chat](#) the premier e-newsletter of the Chapter of Community Child Health. Please contact paed@racp.edu.au for further information including the position description.

GOVERNANCE

Membership of the CCCHC

- Dr Jan Connors recently joined the CCCHC as the Appointed Fellow from Queensland replacing Dr Sharon Greenwood.

Annual Meetings

- The Chapter of Community Child Health Annual Meeting was held at the RACP Congress, Monday 25 May 2015.

CCCHC Meetings

The CCCHC meetings for 2015 are:

- 13 March 2015 (face to face)
- 13 May 2015 (teleconference)
- 24 July 2015 (face to face)
- 9 November 2015 (teleconference)

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