



HealthWEST

Supporting our providers and communities to achieve good health

Weekly Word week ending 8 May 2009

PLEASE CIRCULATE TO ALL PRACTICE STAFF

CME

The next CME meeting will be held on **Monday, 11 May 2009**. An invitation has been sent.

This is essential training for all practices every three years and fulfills cornerstone requirements.

Topic: Health and Disability
Time: 6.30 p.m. for refreshments, meeting commences at 7 p.m.
Speakers: Andrew McLean and Kohini Tu, Health and Disability Advocates focussing on the Rights of the Patient. John Wellingham, RNZCGP presenting on Significant Event Management.

Venue: Langton on Lincoln
130 Lincoln Road, Henderson. (Opposite McDonalds and BP Service Station)

National Immunisation Register Meeting

As you are aware the NIR has gone through a number of changes over the past year. An information meeting is planned for:

Date: Tuesday 26 May 2009
Time: 6.00 p.m. nibbles
6.30 p.m. meeting commences
Venue: Wings Event Centre (Hobson Motor Inn) Orion Room, 327 Hobsonville Road, Hobsonville
Speakers: Rachael Guthrie, MoH
Ann Davis, WDHB
Sue Martin, Programme Leader of NIR Waitemata
RSVP: 20 May to:
nir@healthwest.co.nz
or phone 837 832

Palliative Care Course

We are planning to hold palliative care training for GPs during 2009. The training is for all GPs even if you are not participating in the HealthWEST Palliative Care Programme or providing terminal care. In order to meet your needs we would like your indication on how you would like the training sessions organized. Below are the three options:

1. Attend the courses (Kees Lodder and Sandra Sheene, 5 sessions of 2 hours each), and/or
2. A two hour Monday CME and/or
3. Via Peer groups, a Palliative Care specialist would attend the Peer groups for a general discussion and a Question & Answer session. (Over a period of five 30 minute peer groups).

Please respond with your interests to:
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Swine Flu

General Practices should now be using infection control measures for all suspected influenza cases. This includes:

- Separating patient from others in your practice waiting room. Open windows to increase ventilation.
- Observe the 1 metre rule.
- Cough hygiene
- Patient to wear surgical mask
- Staff to wear surgical masks and gloves, and for specimen collection should wear full PPE (mask, gloves, gown and eye protection)

From the Staff of HealthWEST
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