

# JMO NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2019

Welcome to the second edition of the JMO newsletter. This newsletter provides you with information on HETI, events and updates within the prevocational space.



## JMO FORUM

Two successful JMO Forums were held in March and August 2019. There was also a JMO session held at the HETI Prevocational Conference in June 2019. The Forums provide opportunities for representatives from each Prevocational Training Network and Rural Hospitals to network, share innovations, discuss and action issues relevant to prevocational supervision, education and training, accreditation and welfare.

In 2019 the Forum is led by a Chair, Dr Thomas Morrison (RPA) and a four member executive. The Executive members are Dr Yvonne Nguyen (St Vincent's Hospital), Dr Jayden Murphy (Tamworth Hospital), Dr Bhavi Ravindran (John Hunter Hospital) and Dr Jeffery Wang (Nepean Hospital). The Executive provide support to the Chair in the leadership of the Forum and lead on the JMO Forum projects.

The Forum is producing several projects of note this year including:

- gauging information about how to increase the quality of ward round based teaching
- providing education regarding rational investigation ordering
- gaining insight into specific PGY2 education needs
- looking at reason's JMOs may feel the need to start before accredited starting times
- continuing the resident to registrar program

Several Forum members will be presenting the above projects at the Australian & New Zealand Prevocational Medical Education Forum in October in Canberra.

The Forum also provides opportunity for JMOs to engage with HETI and other health agencies. One of the roles of the JMO Forum representatives at your networks and rural hospitals is to disseminate information from the Forum to all trainees and bring any initiatives and issues to the Forums. You are encouraged to speak to your JMO Forum representatives for more information about the Forum. You can find your local representatives details at:

<https://www.heti.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/courses-and-programs/prevocational-education/jmo-forum>

**THE JMO FORUM WILL HOLD ITS LAST MEETING FOR 2019 ON 25 OCTOBER.**

## GENERAL CLINICAL TRAINING COMMITTEE (GCTC) MEETINGS

Each prevocational training hospital must have a GCTC. The GCTC is one of the platforms where JMOs can have their say and contribute to changes that can benefit their JMO colleagues.

The GCTC responsibilities is to:

- Develop, implement, monitor and evaluate all orientation, training and educational programs for prevocational doctors
- Ensure that each term, including secondments is consistent with HETI guidelines
- Regularly review and evaluate training, education, experience and working conditions of each prevocational trainee
- Review prevocational training program according to HETI Accreditation Standards

## ACCREDITATION SURVEYS

A hospital's accreditation process involves a Survey being conducted at the hospital, typically every four years, to accredit individual clinical terms as well as the hospital as a whole. Surveys are another platform that provides JMOs with an opportunity to voice any concerns or contribute to positive changes to their workplace. The Surveys involve interviews with JMOs as well as other hospital staff. The interviews are confidential and JMOs should feel comfortable providing open and honest feedback about their experience at the hospital.

Hospital accreditation survey schedule for rest of 2019

Northern Beaches Hospital	25 and 26 September 2019
Macquarie University Hospital	29 October 2019
The Children's Hospital at Westmead	31 October 2019
Mater Hospital	4 November 2019
Westmead Hospital	26 and 27 November 2019
Shellharbour Hospital	26 and 27 November 2019

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## HETI PREVOCATIONAL CONFERENCE

In June 2019, HETI held the Prevocational Conference with the theme of 'From Surviving to Thriving'. The Conference ran over two days and focussed on JMO wellbeing.

The conference was open to all Directors of Prevocational Education and Training (DPETs), Prevocational Term Supervisors, JMO Managers, Education Support Officers (ESOs) and JMOs, as well anyone involved with, or interested in, the delivery of quality training and wellbeing of prevocational trainees in NSW.

HETI invited all conference attendees to use this networking opportunity to share initiatives, showcase relevant work and learn more about current NSW initiatives in the prevocational training space.

A range of junior doctors presented on their projects through two concurrent sessions on JMO education, JMO quality and safety and participated in the concurrent JMO session.

Feedback has been extremely positive with participants feeling inspired, having made new connections, and feeling supported. Participants reported that they increased their knowledge of resources, existing skills and learned new skills



## HETI PREVOCATIONAL TRAINING AWARDS

Each year HETI honours the significant work of individuals delivering exceptional care and providing inspirational leadership in the area of JMO education and wellbeing.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AWARD WINNERS FOR 2019

#### GEOFF MAREL AWARD - DR EDDY FISCHER

Dr Fischer is the DPET at Nepean Hospital. Dr Fischer was acknowledged for his orientation and mentorship of junior doctors. He was recognised for his open door culture, for being an unwavering advocate for junior doctor's education, wellbeing and training opportunities.

*Dr Andrew Ling, Co-DPET at Nepean Hospital, accepted the Geoff Marel Award on behalf of Dr Eddy Fischer who was unable to attend.*



#### JMO MANAGER OF THE YEAR - MS STACEY TURNBULL



Ms Stacey Turnbull is the Education Team leader at Gosford Hospital. Ms Turnbull was recognised for her endless commitment to creating education and training opportunities that support the career aspirations of JMOs.

*Dr Julian Willcocks, DPET at Gosford Hospital accepted the JMO Manager of the Year Award on behalf of Stacey Turnbull who joined the Awards via FaceTime from a train in Spain.*

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## NSW JMO OF THE YEAR - DR THOMAS MORRISON



Dr Morrison, JMO from Royal Prince Alfred Hospital has been recognised for his commitment and contribution to education that underpins clinical excellence and patient safety

Dr Morrison is also the Chair of the HETI JMO Forum. His leadership is well known at RPA where he has delivered numerous peer-to-peer teaching initiatives for both medical students and interns. This includes overseeing a bedside tutorial program involving more than 50 of his peers, facilitating intern crash courses and tutoring surgical skills for medical interns and students.

*Dr Tom Morrison accepts the JMO of the year award*

Dr Morrison and Dr Fischer will represent NSW in the Confederation of Postgraduate Medical Education Councils (CPMEC) Australia & New Zealand Awards to be announced in October 2019.

## MEDICAL TRAINING SURVEY

The Medical Board of Australia Medical Training Survey is currently open and will close on 30 September 2019.

The Medical Training Survey will be run each year to get feedback from doctors in training in Australia (and in time their supervisors) to:

- Better understand the quality of medical training in Australia
- Identify how best to improve medical training in Australia, and
- Recognise and deal with potential issues in medical training that could impact on patient safety, including environment and culture, unacceptable behaviours and poor supervision.

All medical practitioners will be asked if they are a doctor in training at the time of renewal of their general registration. It will automatically include interns and other medical practitioners with provisional or limited registration.

The Board and AHPRA will not receive any information that identifies individuals. The results of the survey will be released in February 2020. Everyone is encouraged to complete the survey.

For more information please refer to the Medical Board of Australia website:

<https://www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration/Medical-training-survey.aspx>

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## ABORIGINAL TRAINEE DOCTORS' FORUM (ATDF)

*THE ARTWORK: This artwork was created by Dr Rebecca Davison in 2017 and depicts the NSW Aboriginal Trainee Doctors' Forum*

The ATDF is a state-wide meeting of Aboriginal trainee doctors and final year medical students from across NSW and the ACT. It is a joint initiative of the NSW Ministry of Health, HETI and the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA).

Contact: [HETI-ATDF@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:HETI-ATDF@health.nsw.gov.au)

### FORUM DATES:

**Friday 25 October 2019**

All 2020 Interns welcome.

**Friday 27 March 2020**

Smoking ceremony and welcome to Internship celebration!

## 24<sup>TH</sup> AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND PREVOCATIONAL MEDICAL EDUCATION FORUM



The 24th Australian and New Zealand Prevocational Medical Education Forum will be hosted by the Canberra Region Medical Council. The theme of the conference is "Creative Disruption in Medical Education - Technology, People and Place".

The winner of the 2019 Confederation of Post Graduate Medical Councils (CPMEC) Australia and New Zealand Junior Doctor of the Year and Clinical Educator of the Year Awards will be announced during this forum.

Similar to each year HETI is providing sponsorship to four JMOs to attend the Forum.

Thank you.

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Chair, Prevocational Training Council  
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Dr Thomas Morrison  
Chair, JMO Forum