



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### NAPSA Charity Cup Success

The National Australian Pharmacy Students' Association (NAPSA) raised \$7735.45 in support of The Fred Hollows Foundation's Indigenous Programs in the inaugural NAPSA Charity Cup Campaign.

NAPSA Branches Australia-wide participated in Charity Cup by holding events in the month of April to raise funds for The Foundation and awareness of indigenous health issues. Fund raising events included barbeques, auctions, trivia nights, live music nights, scavenger hunts, social networking events, lawn bowls afternoons and raffles. Creativity was encouraged, with some Branches holding their events in theme to relate to The Foundation's primary focus on eye health, like the pirate-themed "Aye Eye Ball" by pharmacy students in Perth and "Eyes" Skating event by pharmacy students in Adelaide.

NAPSA Pharmacy Awareness Committee Chair, Amy Minett said, "This is a fantastic achievement, totally exceeding our expectations. NAPSA is proud to have made such a huge contribution and thanks must go to all participating branches for their enthusiasm, passion and hard work in running fundraisers for The Foundation. They have ensured Charity Cup 2009 was a phenomenal success in its first year."

The official presentation to Tracy Woolgar from Pfizer, representing The Fred Hollows Foundation, will take place at the NAPSA Annual General Meeting Dinner, on the 11<sup>th</sup> July on the Gold Coast. Dinner guests will be treated to a presentation about The Foundation and the work they have undertaken recently in the Northern Territory.

The NAPSA Charity Cup Award will recognise the efforts of the NAPSA Branch that raises the most money. The NAPSA Charity Innovation Award will be presented to the Branch displaying the most originality, enthusiasm and passion for the cause in their fundraising activities. Both awards will also be presented at the NAPSA AGM Dinner.

NAPSA is proud have to have made such a significant contribution to The Foundation's unique and valuable work in 'closing the gap' between the health outcomes of Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Please visit [www.hollows.org/Australia/](http://www.hollows.org/Australia/) for more information about The Foundation or to make a valuable donation.



For more information regarding the NAPSA Charity Cup, please contact the Pharmacy Awareness Chair, Amy Minett, at [a.minett@napsa.org.au](mailto:a.minett@napsa.org.au), or the National President, Lisa Goldsmith, at [l.goldsmith@napsa.org.au](mailto:l.goldsmith@napsa.org.au).



Western Australian Pharmacy Students Association (WAPSA) got into the pirate-spirit at their themed "Aye Eye" Ball to raise vital funds for The Fred Hollows Foundation.



South Australian Pharmacy Students' Association (SAPSA) committee members collected donations at a PSA Documentary screening of "Fighting the Dragon with Luck" in Adelaide.