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# President's Report

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Dear NAPSA members,

I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday and are gearing up to have a great 2021!

Thank you to all those who attended our first ever Virtual Congress in January! I hope you all got something out of our amazing sessions throughout the week and are fully enthused to get back into pharmacy this year! I would like to once again thank Congress Chair, Abby Richardson, her team and the team at PSA for their hard work and dedication towards what was an amazing week for all our delegates.

Although without the usual social gatherings, this year's conference was still a great opportunity for our students to hear from leading figures in the pharmacy sector, engage with professional bodies and contribute to the conversation surrounding the future of the profession which they will soon enter. Thus, it was quite appropriate to have the educational week kicked off by PSA President, Associate Professor Chris Freeman, posing the question 'What does the future hold for pharmacy?'.

The National Student Business Plan Competition 'Where are they now?' session from the Pharmacy Guild of Australia was another highlight of the week, with students getting to see the impacts that are possible to make at the very beginning of their careers and hear inspiring stories from former competition winners. The Guild National President Address from George Tambassis also highlighted to students the diversity of career pathways that can be found in community pharmacy.

Other highlights included the PSA ECP Panel with speakers Lauren Burton, Shane MacDonald and Kerri Barwick encouraging students to be involved in the profession and be passionate about what they do.

# President's Report

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SHPA's Dan Guidone also gave a great talk about the continually growing career pathways available in hospital pharmacy, and Sue Muller from LocumCo spoke about the opportunities for students who are keen to look further afield and work in rural and remote areas around Australia. PDL provided some practical advice for students and interns in the pharmacy workplace and who can forget the much needed 'Stress Buster' session by Kay and Dusty from Pharmacists' Support Service, they provided a much-needed laugh in these stressful times!

Thanks once again to all our fabulous speakers and sponsors for helping to make this Congress just as fantastic!





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As the conference drew to a close, the University of Newcastle Association of Pharmacy Students (UoNAPS) was awarded the Best Branch at NAPSA Congress. James Cook University Pharmacy Students' Association (JCUPSA) were the overall Vampire Cup winners and the recipients of The Young Blood Award from the annual Vampire Cup Blood Donation Drive for the second year running.

The Spirit of Congress Award was presented to Daniel Glisic from the University of South Australia. Forrest Tang from the University of Newcastle was the winner of NAPSA's Student Research Poster Competition, with the People's Choice Award going to Abby Richardson of the Queensland University of Technology.

NAPSA would also like to congratulate Ma Christel Joyce Manuel from the University of Western Australia on winning the Pharmacy Student of The Year (PSOTY) NAPSA Wild Card. Ms Manuel will now travel to the PSA21 National Conference in Sydney in July to compete against the other state finalists for the national title of PSOTY 2021.

It's another exciting year ahead with our annual Vampire Cup now moved to Semester 1 and commencing on the 23rd of March! Make sure you keep your eyes out for more information from your local pharmacy student branch in the near future and across the NAPSA socials. Ensure you're signed up with Lifeblood to donate [here!](#)

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In another exciting news, NAPSA is pleased by the decision of the Victorian Department of Health to allow intern pharmacists and fourth-year pharmacy students to help with certain aspects of the [COVID-19 vaccine rollout](#), including drawing up vaccine doses and labelling of syringes. NAPSA will continue to push for the ability of pharmacy students to vaccinate under supervision across the country, as indicated in our letter to governments published late last year which you can read [here!](#) We even managed to make it onto the ABC news daily feed!

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3h ago  
By Michael Doyle

KEY EVENT

### **Pharmacy students want to be able to administer COVID-19 vaccines**

Pharmacy students and interns want to be allowed to administer vaccines ahead of the planned rollout of a coronavirus vaccine across Australia next year.

Pharmacy students and interns are allowed to deliver injections - with supervision - in Queensland, but are stopped from doing so in the Northern Territory, Victoria and South Australia.

The Pharmacy Student Association has written to those governments to try and get the rules changed.

Association president, Ethan Kreutzer, said students can play an important role in helping to get Australians vaccinated in 20-21.

"Pharmacy students are already administering the vaccines, they're administrating them in America as we speak, they're calling all pharmacy students across that nation to help with the administration of the vaccine," he said.

# President's Report

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The PDL Student Grant Program is also closing on the 5th of March, so make sure you get your applications in now! With 3 grants valued at up to \$5000 on offer to assist with attending a pharmacy conference or event, it's not too late to submit your application and you definitely don't want to miss out with pharmacy conferences set to return in a big way for 2021! You can apply [here](#)!

Whether 2021 is your first year or last year of pharmacy study, make sure to reach out to your local student branch and take every opportunity to get involved. Use this year to step out of your comfort zone, maybe join your local branch committee, or attend the next event to network and make new connections, whether that be with fellow students or industry professionals. The opportunities in pharmacy are endless and pharmacy is definitely a small world, so make the effort to get out there and be passionate about what you do!

To keep up to date with all of NAPSA's happenings throughout the year make sure to like our [Facebook Page](#) and follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#)! I wish you all the best with the start of the new semester and a big welcome to all of our new members and pharmacy students!



Ethan Kreutzer  
National President  
[president@napsa.org.au](mailto:president@napsa.org.au)

# National Student Business Plan Competition



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## 2021 National Student Business Plan

COMPETITION

### BUSINESS PLAN ESSENTIALS

These guidelines aim to provide a consistent base for all teams, to allow them to focus on the innovation component. All business plans submitted by the participants in the National Student Business Plan Competition 2021 must comply with these guidelines.

The business plan **MUST** be based on the 'Foundation Pharmacy Profile' which is located in the RESOURCES section of the website. All entries must use the 'Foundation Pharmacy Profile' from which to develop their new pharmacy business.

Do not construct your business plan on an existing pharmacy business – your pharmacy is fictitious.

**The focus of the plan MUST be on a business innovation and a community integration activity**

To be successful in the first round of the competition, the business plan **MUST** use the information provided and **MUST** detail the development of a new to market or highly differentiated service to be run from the pharmacy. The business plan **MUST** also outline how this service offers a social or community benefit.

#### Your business plan should aim to describe:

- » what is unique or innovative about the pharmacy service proposed
- » what it is you're selling
- » who the target market is
- » the demographic and size of the market
- » the revenue model
- » how do you expect to make money?
- » who is behind your business?
- » what are you offering an investor?

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# National Student Business Plan Competition

## BUSINESS PLAN FORMAT AND CONTENT

### Business plans MUST be in the following format:

- » maximum ten A4 pages for all content inclusive of graphs, charts, tables, pictures etc;
- » all pages to be A4 ONLY;
- » one additional page for Title Page;
- » one additional page for Contents;
- » additional biography page/s with maximum 200 words for each team member and team mentor\*;
- » single spaced text using Arial font (font size 10 or equivalent);
- » no references; market research results; appendices; attachments etc; and
- » the plan should be succinct and be able to satisfy the scrutiny of a loan provider and assembled as though being made to a bank or lending institution for finance – **use plain language and avoid jargon**

\*Looking for a team mentor?

You may find a mentor on the Guild Mentor Platform.  
Visit [guild.org.au/mentorplatform](http://guild.org.au/mentorplatform)

### The business plan MUST address the seven sections outlined below:

- » **An Executive Summary** – the overview of your business;
- » **A Short Description of the business** – this must include one 'new to market' or 'highly differentiated' service that will be offered by the pharmacy and one social outreach or community initiative that will be offered;
- » **Marketing and Sales Strategy** – outline how you will sell your business and why people will buy from you;
- » **Management Team and Personnel Summary** – your credentials and the skills of the team you plan to recruit;
- » **Operations Management** – details of your premises; management information systems; IT and risk management outline;
- » **Financial forecasts** – using the details provided and your innovations in the previous sections to translate your plan into numbers;
- » **SWOT** or opportunity analysis including demographics etc.

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# Spotlight on JCUPSA

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The overall winner of Vampire Cup and the Young Blood Award was announced during our annual NAPSA Congress held online in January 2021.

The James Cook University Pharmacy Student Association (JCUPSA) was announced as the overall winner for the second year in a row, with 108 donations in total, saving nearly 400 lives.

JCUPSA additionally won the Youngblood Award – which recognises the branch with a big year of growth that shows innovation in promoting the cup to students. JCUPSA had the highest growth compared to the other branches, by 97% compared to the 2019 campaign which is an outstanding effort considering the COVID-19 pandemic– also for the second year in a row.

Every year we hope our vampire cup campaigns continue to grow so we can assist in saving many more lives and JCUPSA really champions this. I'm extremely proud of Brennan Brusetti, JCUPSA President for her leadership throughout the campaign and I can't wait to see what JCUPSA can achieve during this year's campaign.



Kathryn Mayanja  
NAPSA Pharmacy Awareness Chair  
[pharmacy.awareness@napsa.org.au](mailto:pharmacy.awareness@napsa.org.au)





# Alumni Mentoring Program

NAPSA is beyond excited to introduce our first ever Alumni Mentoring Program! The Program aims to match students with pharmacy alumni with experience in the area that students have a particular interest in.

Students will have the option meet with alumni over video call to talk about all things pharmacy and gain advice from their mentor. Students and their mentors can organise a time and frequency of meetings that best suits their schedule.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in taking part in, please fill in the surveys below by the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021. We hope to get the program up and running by March 2021. Please contact Sophie via email if you have any questions or queries!

Survey for pharmacy alumni:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MK3JY8S>

Survey for pharmacy students:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/M88XN2Y>

Sophie Keating

NAPSA Alumni Chair 2020/2021

[alumni@napsa.org.au](mailto:alumni@napsa.org.au)

# Raw Challenge Event with GUAPS

This year, GUAPS is running a Raw Challenge Event on Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> for the first time. We are so excited to be getting everyone back together as a group in a post-COVID-19 environment for some well needed team building and bonding face-to-face. The Raw Challenge is an adult fun run/obstacle course, where any fitness level is welcome! If you can't or don't want to complete an obstacle, you are fine to skip it and go around it - it's not a race but a team building exercise.

We are raising money for GUAPS to be able to run more events like this going into the future. The idea came from wanting to do a large group activity early in the year that focused on fostering a healthy lifestyle since we are studying to be healthcare professionals, as well as making it an age inclusive event for those who are not yet able to attend pub crawls and bar nights.

We have made this event open to everyone non-members and general public are \$85 per ticket and then GUAPS members are \$65 (contact us to confirm your membership status and receive your discount code). We can't wait to see everyone on the day, both familiar and new faces. Click [HERE](#) to get your ticket through MyCause and for pharmacy students, sign up to be a GUAPS member through Campus Groups.





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## The Year of 2020 with BAPS

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2020 was a challenging year for students and lecturers adjusting to studying online. Navigating the COVID-19 restrictions and a new way of learning was undoubtedly challenging for all concerned. Our pharmacy lecturers were very helpful and supportive of students offering additional help sessions and promptly responding to emails. Unable to hold any of our usual events including pub crawls and ball, BAPS tried to integrate new events into the online platform for their members. BAPS aimed to put a greater focus on educational events and supporting their students through a difficult year. We held several zoom educational events and two trivia nights. One event was facilitated by JPH accountants and informed students about tax returns and pharmacy business.

In addition, BAPS developed a new initiative with positively transforming world, a non-for-profit international aid organisation, with the aim to expose students to the vast array of opportunities within a career in pharmacy. The sessions covered a variety of topics including managing a hospital pharmacy, medication safety and hospital procedures during COVID-19. This year we plan to expand the PTW sessions and offer them to other health students not just pharmacy. Studying online gave us the opportunity to have classes and work in teams with Albury Wodonga students. This was a good way to meet some new faces from another LaTrobe campus.



# PDL Student Grant Program

## PDL Student Grant Program

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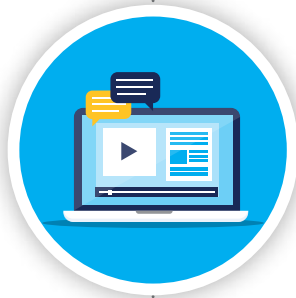


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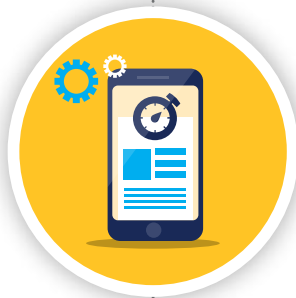
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# APP 2021!



20-23 May 2021, Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre  
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For students wishing to access four days of education sessions, the fee is \$535 (including Street Party ticket) or \$450 (excluding Street Party ticket). Don't miss this amazing opportunity to network with suppliers, industry leaders and potential employers.

If you have ever wanted to attend APP, 2021 is your year! Register today [HERE](#).

# My Worst Nightmare: LocumCo

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I have been the Director of LocumCo for about 33 years and the last 12 months have proved extremely challenging for many of the LocumCo family. At the start of COVID-19, locums were having their bookings cancelled because pharmacists were no longer travelling. Locums who once had their diaries full 4 months in advance suddenly were scrambling for work.

Now that we are seeing pharmacists take much needed breaks from their pharmacies we have a new problem come to light.

Previously, when a locum was listed in any State, we always attempted to source the locum from the same state to minimise the travel costs for the employer. However, if there was not a suitable candidate available within the state we could source a locum from another state, provided the employer was happy with the cost.

Of late this has proven problematic due to border closures. Recently we had a locum from Queensland keen to take a position for 2 weeks in a small town 6 hours south of Perth. She was so keen to take the role she even offered use her frequent flyer points to get to Perth and the owner would organise a rental car for her to drive the 6 hours from Perth to the town. How could anyone have foreseen that mid-flight, an announcement was made that WA had closed their border and our locum was put in quarantine for 14 days.

No number of calls to the pharmacy bodies could get her out in time to start work on the Monday. So now locums are being limited to choose work only in their own states to avoid incidents like this occurring in the future. The vaccine can't come soon enough!!!!

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# Successful O-Week with CaSPA!

During the University of Canberra's O-Week, CaSPA ran its very first Amazing Race. Pharmacy students signed up in pairs to participate and CaSPA formed small teams across different year groups for some (socially distant) fun.

CaSPA led students on a wild adventure around campus, with each team given an envelope full of clues. These clues ranged from compounding creams to retrieving the AMH to recite indications as well as a couple of curve balls including 'bonus point' clues. Once teams had successfully completed all the clues, the race was on to make it back to the starting point. The last clue found pharmacy students having to take a photo of themselves outside Bruce Capital Chemist (BCC). Unfortunately, BCC is a fair journey from the centre of campus and saw several teams being pushed to their limits!

The winners received FREE CaSPA membership for the year and a goodie bag as well as the very prestigious title of the *Ultimate Champions*. Overall, the event was a great success and encouraged pharmacy students from all years to bring their knowledge together and have some well-deserved bonding before classes started.





Where are they now?

**National Student Business Plan**  
COMPETITION

 The Pharmacy Guild of Australia

Episode 68: National Student Business Plan Competition Winners – Where Are They Now – Jess Cahill and Wally Maguire

The National Student Business Plan competition is the perfect way for pharmacy students to develop their entrepreneurial spirit and bring innovative ideas to the forefront of community pharmacy. The competition contributes to the development of a dynamic and vibrant pharmacy industry and makes a genuine difference to the health and wellbeing of local communities.

However, what can it do for pharmacy students? There is no better way to answer this question than by checking in with two of our past competition winners in Jess Cahill and Wally Maguire. Jess and Wally have enjoyed fantastic career progression and networking opportunities since their involvement in the competition and, today, we chat about their experience as pharmacy owners and what it takes to succeed in community pharmacy.

# Pharmacy Business & Career Network Podcast

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The opportunity for the 2021 Student Business Plan competition is now underway. For more information on eligibility, how to enter, and other resources, visit [guild.org.au](http://guild.org.au) and search 'student business plan competition'.

The Guild also acknowledges the competition's primary sponsors Symbion, ProPharma, PDL and Gold Cross.



# Propel Your Pharmacy Career with SHPA Today!

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## Congrats to all graduating pharmacy students!

The start of the new year is an exciting time for many pharmacy students, as some embark on their intern year, while interns move to general registration as practicing pharmacists.

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At this exciting time of transition, we chatted to members of the SHPA community who have made the most of the early career membership...

# Propel Your Pharmacy Career with SHPA Today!

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Shania Liu – Prince of Wales Hospital, NSW.

[Shania Liu](#) says SHPA membership has proved invaluable for networking and ensuring she has a voice while advancing from a Student, to Provisional (registration) and now a Full Pharmacist Member.

“While I was a student, I was involved in the education sub-committee for SHPA’s NSW Branch, allowing me to be involved in planning seminars and networking with hospital

pharmacists before my career began. As my interest in pain management grew, I joined SHPA’s Speciality Practice forum at the Interest Group level as a Student Member and have now been elected to the SHPA Pain Management Leadership Committee as a Full Pharmacist Member.

For me, the best part of being at this level is the two-way nature of working with other members and leaders. You gain an understanding of other pharmacists’ priority areas and glean ideas from their practice, as well as having your own voice and making sure it is heard by leaders in the field.”

# Propel Your Pharmacy Career with SHPA Today!

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[Deanna Mill](#) says the unique opportunities to network with pharmacy leaders, and contribute to high-quality journals and conferences, is what sees her renewing with SHPA every year.

*Deanna Mill – Early career pharmacist, SA.*

“As a full time PHD student, working casually in hospital, my SHPA membership has proved invaluable for networking and ensuring I stay up-to-date with the latest in hospital pharmacy. It was only after I became a registered pharmacist that I started to understand the importance of SHPA advocacy to the profession; I’m in the loop with what's happening in pharmacy via SHPA’s weekly eNews and find opportunities to give feedback on policy work.

I have presented at two Medicines Management conferences and the SHPA Virtual Congress over the past three years – making connections with pharmacists who are renowned in their field, both virtually and face-to-face – has been extremely beneficial for putting forward research opportunities.

Being active in the Specialty Practice discussion forums has been beneficial for networking with influential pharmacists who would sometimes be out of reach as an early career pharmacist.”

# Propel Your Pharmacy Career with SHPA Today!

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## JOIN THE GUILD FAMILY

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### The Guild Student Offer gives you:

- ✓ FREE entry to The Australian Pharmacy Professional Conference (APP) Trade Exhibition and Welcome Reception on the Gold Coast
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## Community Pharmacy Career Pathways Resource Hub

The Guild aims to equip early career pharmacists with the pathways, skills, tools and professional networks needed to be leaders in the primary health care system and owners of community pharmacies. The Resource Hub is where to find valuable information and resources relevant to you and your stage of career.

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## Brief outline of your career so far:

After forging a career based in hospital pharmacy prior to having children, Kay has also been involved in roles providing services which support pharmacists and other health professionals. These roles have included working for the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (Victorian Branch), the Victorian Drug Usage Advisory Committee (VDUAC), the Victorian Medicines Advisory Committee (VMAC) and the Victorian Therapeutics Advisory Group (VicTAG). Currently Kay is employed as the Executive Officer of the Pharmacists' Support Service (PSS). Her role with PSS lead to employment by AMA Victoria to establish and coordinate their Peer Support Service for doctors and medical students. At AMA Victoria, Kay also coordinates the Peer Visitor Program which matches elderly isolated doctors with volunteer visitors who are medical students or doctors. In addition, she is involved in the doctor in training mentoring program at AMA Victoria.





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Over the years, Kay has continued to work in clinical pharmacy practice and was accredited to perform medication reviews and undertakes both RMMRs and HMRs. In addition, she has recent experience working as a research assistant with Monash University in GP practices recruiting and screening patients with a history of smoking with a view to diagnosing COPD.

Kay is passionate about mental health and well-being in health professionals, particularly pharmacists and doctors. In addition, she is interested in enhancing mental health in the general community and reducing stigma in relation to mental illness and suicide.

## Where did you study?

I studied for my B Pharm at the Victorian College of Pharmacy (VCP), which is now Monash University. At the time this was the only school of pharmacy in Victoria. Later I went back and completed a Grad Dip Hosp Pharm. I also undertook post graduate studies in management to obtain a Grad Dip Health Admin through La Trobe University in Melbourne.

## Favourite NAPSA memory:

We had a strong social life when I was an undergraduate at VCP with balls, wine and cheese nights and other regular social activities, football and other sporting matches, the infamous BPD = Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Degeneracy which was a pub crawl, a student magazine (SCRUPLE) and a yearbook. There was some liaison with the South Australian pharmacy students with an annual trip to Adelaide or the students from Adelaide coming to Melbourne. However, NAPSA was not nearly as active as it is now, so during my undergraduate years we did not seem to have events on a national scale. In those days there was only one school of pharmacy in each state and none in either NT or ACT – so a total of six schools of pharmacy in Australia.

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## One of your proudest achievements:

There have been lots of wonderful times during my career as I have worked with some inspirational pharmacists who have been great role models and enjoyed a varied and satisfying career. But to be honest being nominated and selected as the PSA Symbion Pharmacist of the Year 2020 is an honour that exceeds everything else. This is so special because it is my peers acknowledging that my work has had an impact. However, I do believe that in 2020 all the pharmacists on the frontline should be receiving this award for their work to ensure their local communities could access medication and health care throughout a severe bushfire season followed closely by the COVID-19 pandemic. Throughout this time pharmacists have been present and visible, and this makes me really proud to be a pharmacist.

## Advice for pharmacy students:

There will be challenges along the way but persist in finding your niche in pharmacy where you will flourish. Pharmacy is a very broad career with many different opportunities. Get involved with your professional organisations, go to conferences and network. Support your professional colleagues and be kind and compassionate in all your interactions with colleagues, other health professionals and the members of the communities you serve. This does not mean allowing others to take advantage of you and there will be times when you will need to take a firm stance. Ensure that what you do is always legal and ethical. Keep learning. Most importantly look after your own wellbeing so that you can continue to look after others. Ask for help when you need it – the Pharmacists' Support Service (PSS) is there for those times when you need support and don't know where to turn. PSS provides a confidential listening ear from a pharmacy colleague over the phone on 1300244910 every day of the year from 8am to 11pm (AEDT).

# Welcome to VPSA's New Committee

The Victorian Pharmacy Students Association (VPSA), and many other clubs, have persevered very well throughout COVID-19, and this is something I'd like to commend everyone for. After conducting application processes alongside my executive team, I am proud to announce that VPSA is now composed of 18 enthusiastic Pharmacy students. I cannot wait to work with them to enrich the experiences of our Pharmacy peers at Monash. To commemorate our new team, make sure to see our new committee in the photo attached!

Whilst VPSA Presidency as a 3rd-year student during the pandemic comes with a range of challenges, it also draws in a plethora of rewards. I hope that this year can differ from the last. I am so grateful and thankful for this opportunity. To all the other club presidents, you are all flourishing in your role. A very well done to you all!



Our orientation week, whilst restricted, holds an opportunity for us to meet some of the new students. Additionally, we hope to execute a range of events alongside the other University Pharmacy groups within Melbourne to better connect with our young Pharmacy peers!

On behalf of the VPSA committee, stay safe!

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## March 2021

### **Australian Capital Territory**

- 13 NSW/ACT Annual Therapeutic Update 2021
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)
- 27 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Morning
- 27 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Afternoon
- 28 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Morning
- 28 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Afternoon

### **Queensland**

- 09 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 09 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon
- 19 Palliative Care and Anticipatory Medicines: palliPHARM Workshop (Morning ATU)
- 19 Palliative Care and Anticipatory Medicines: palliPHARM Workshop (Afternoon ATU)
- 20 QLD Annual Therapeutic Update 2021
- 24 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)
- 30 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 30 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon

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## March 2021

### **New South Wales**

- 10 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 10 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Afternoon
- 12 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Manly: Morning (NSWATU)
- 12 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Manly: Afternoon (NSWATU)
- 13 NSW/ACT Annual Therapeutic Update 2021
- 14 ECP Women's Day Breakfast – Sydney
- 24 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 24 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Afternoon
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)

### **Northern Territory**

- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)

### **South Australia**

- 12 SA/NT Annual Celebration of Excellence in Pharmacy
- 24 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Adelaide: Morning
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)
- 28 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Port Lincoln
- 31 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Adelaide: Morning
- 31 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Adelaide: Afternoon

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## March 2021

### Tasmania

- 12 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Hobart: Morning
- 12 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Hobart: Afternoon
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)

### Victoria

- 22 Victorian Opioid Pharmacotherapy Program – Workshop 1
- 23 Victorian Opioid Pharmacotherapy Program – Workshop 2
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)

### Western Australia

- 04 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Morning
- 04 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Afternoon
- 16 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Morning
- 16 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Afternoon
- 23 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Afternoon
- 24 Supporting your patients who are vaccine hesitant (Online Webinar)
- 25 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Morning
- 25 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Afternoon



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## April 2021

### Queensland

- 13 Palliative Care and Anticipatory Medicines: palliPHARM (Online Webinar)
- 15 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 15 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon
- 20 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 20 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon

### New South Wales

- 21 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 21 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Afternoon
- 30 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 30 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Afternoon

### Northern Territory

- 19 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Darwin: Afternoon

### South Australia

- 07 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Adelaide: Morning
- 07 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Adelaide: Afternoon

### Western Australia

- 22 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Morning
- 22 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Perth: Morning

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