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President's Report

Dear NAPSA members,

I hope you have all had a successful start to the 2021 academic year and have hopefully been able to experience some more face-to-face events than this time last year!

March saw the launch of our annual Vampire Cup Blood Donation Challenge, with each branch competing to donate as much as possible and provide life-saving treatments for those in need. This is even more important this year, as life returns to somewhat more normal for many of us, and the demand for blood products increases for those able to have elective surgeries that were cancelled by the pandemic and for emergency situations, on top of those requiring these products regularly for a variety of reasons. Luckily, you still have time to donate for the Vampire Cup, help your local pharmacy branch, and give the gift of life! Make sure you sign up at donateblood.com.au TODAY and contact your local student branch to ensure your donation counts towards their tally!



President's Report

March and April also saw the release of two NAPSA x BAYER education sessions focusing on nutrition and supplementation in pregnancy as well as OTC treatments for allergies and allergic rhinitis. These were great sessions for some commonly seen presentations for pharmacists and pharmacy students working in pharmacies and was well received by our attending members. A huge thank you to NAPSA Executive Director, Samantha King and the Bayer Consumer Health Team for organising the sessions and stepping our students through these important topics. The recordings will be available on the NAPSA website [here](#) for those that missed out!



Coming up soon is the annual Australian Pharmacy Professional Conference & Trade Exhibition (APP), where you can discover and learn all things community pharmacy! Held on the Gold Coast, it is sure to be a great event to wash away those COVID blues, uncover the exciting future for community pharmacy and network with pharmacists, interns and students from across the country who all share a passion for pharmacy! NAPSA will also have a stall at the Trade Exhibition, so make sure you come to say hi if you're attending and purchase a ticket to our Alumni Networking Night on Friday the 21st of May [here!](#) To register for APP click the image below or visit www.appconference.com, we look forward to seeing you there!

President's Report

Upcoming soon for NAPSA will be the next round of our LocumCo Rural Scholarship, so keep your eyes peeled for applications opening! If you've always wanted to experience what it would be like to work in a rural pharmacy (and we know you have!) but have been unsure about the cost, this is the scholarship for you, so don't miss out!

In early July, NAPSA will also be hosting the annual SHPA Student Symposium, where you can learn about all things hospital pharmacy and ask all those burning questions you have to those pharmacists with the expertise! Make sure you look out for registrations opening in June and with the event being virtual again this year, you will be able to dial in from anywhere in Australia and gain some really valuable knowledge from premier hospital pharmacists!

Keep an eye out on NAPSA socials and your emails for our upcoming events and campaigns, which we'd love for you to be involved in!

I wish you all the best in your pharmacy studies and in any upcoming exam periods!



Ethan Kreutzer
National President
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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**

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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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Exciting Events with QPSA!

Last month, QPSA held two exciting pharmacy events to reignite the life of the pharmacy cohort made dull by the COVID-19 pandemic. These events were: The OTC Education Night and Ravens' Recruitment. The OTC night provided participants with an avenue to boast their counselling and information gathering skills. Alongside our guest pharmacists, Mitchell Everlyn, Melissa Armstrong and Jess Nguyen, students collaborated to identify and solve complex clinical scenarios that often present in a community pharmacy setting. As most students demonstrated their brilliance in providing care, many sought to revise on their skills after stumbling into obstacles and challenging scenarios. Without a doubt, everyone had sought an opportunity to build upon their skills and this ensured that the night was fruitful to all who attended. A big thank you to the pharmacists who came along to the event.



Exciting Events with QPSA!

Later that week, QPSA collaborated with Ravens' Recruitment to host a night where students were advised how to strengthen their employability. Ravens' Recruitment is Australia's largest specialised pharmacy recruitment agency that seeks to aid pharmacists and aspiring pharmacists in navigating employment opportunities in the Australian industry. This night provided students with the perfect avenue to consult with the representatives of Ravens' Recruitment, Debbie Capuano, and Sophie Moore. Students heard the different pharmacy career pathways, advice for post-graduation preparedness, advice on CV and cover letter writing, as well as learning valuable interview preparation techniques.

Thank you to Debbie Capuano and Sophie Moore for coming along that night, we found your tips and tricks very insightful!

Though QPSA has a long year ahead, we are just warming up with plenty of other events that will expand the opportunities pharmacy has to offer. Be on the lookout for those events, as they will most certainly be fun, exciting, interactive, and productive.

Nihal Dey
QPSA Education Representative

An Update on Life with SAPSA

The first semester started with a free seminar on the COVID-19 vaccine followed by another highly anticipated event, the SAPSA cocktail night. On the 9th of March 2021, a free seminar on the COVID-19 vaccine was held at the University of South Australia. It was a collaborative event between the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA) and the South Australian Pharmacy Students' Association (SAPSA). The presenter of this seminar was Helen Stone joined in support by Trudy Seymour, as shown in the second picture below. The event was held both online and in-person, with both generating roaring questions from the attendees. It was a successful event as students walked away with useful knowledge about the COVID-19 vaccine.



Pictured left to right: Jessica Shannon (Education Chair), Olivia Carswell (President), Helen Stone & Trudy

An Update on Life with SAPSA

Our annual cocktail night was held on the 19th of March 2021 at The Republic in Norwood, South Australia. The event attracted many students as tickets sold out quickly and we had an amazing turn-out of students. Our social secretaries organized this event brilliantly with a large array of food, amazing decorations which suited the theme very well and a pleasing music playlist which allowed us to dance all night long!

The event started with a short speech from DailyTask to introduce their new relationship with SAPSA, followed by the award for the “Best Dressed” of the night. A big thank you to DailyTask for their collaboration with SAPSA in giving this exclusive opportunity to our Pharmacy students!



Thanks for reading and on behalf of SAPSA, we sincerely wish that you have a great year ahead!

Htat Myat Wai Alena
SAPSA Publications Chair



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Presented by hospital pharmacists, [this presentation](#) provides tips on how to put together a hospital job application and how to excel at the interview stage and is invaluable for students, interns, technicians, and pharmacists who want that hospital pharmacy job or hope to accelerate their career opportunities!



Heading Towards Hospital Pharmacy?

Residency Showcase 2021

Held in Brisbane in February, [the Residency Showcase 2021](#) saw hospital pharmacy residents showcase their work to pharmacy students, intern pharmacists, other residents, junior and senior pharmacists and directors and assistant directors of pharmacy. It featured keynote speaker 2020 SHPA Resident of the Year Mika Varitimos, and Queensland-based Foundation Resident pharmacists showcasing their achievements through SHPA's leading two-year program. [See more about SHPA's Residency Program here!](#)

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How to Network with CaSPA

The "How to Network" event held by CaSPA on Saturday was a great success! We had around 25 students at the event with 9 pharmacists from a range of fields of pharmacy such as hospital pharmacy, GP pharmacy, HMR pharmacy, the Guild, owners of pharmacies etc.

The main keynote speaker was Phillip Jones who gave our students very helpful tips on not only how to network, but also on strategies to follow to make sure that you stay connected with the person you're networking with. He emphasised the importance of following up with the person you connected with. After the presentation by Phillip, we conducted 4 min sessions of 2-3 students interacting with a pharmacist about their experience and any other questions the students had. The groups of students then switched pharmacists which made sure that every student interacted with every pharmacist!

We got great feedback from the networking night with students wanting more of this sort of event in the future. One comment was: "It was so great! I got so many helpful tips for internship next year! and got to meet all these amazing pharmacists who have done so much in their careers from working in the NHS in England to running clinical trials and owning pharmacies!" Thank you to the Pharmacy Guild of Australia for sponsoring this event.



Juliet Contreras
CaSPA President

The Year of 2020 with BAPS

It goes without saying that 2020 was not the most auspicious year for many clubs and it was a tough time trying to keep the club together through online events. But having been hit with the loss of the annual BAPS ball and pub crawl, it was great to hear that 2021 brings with it so much opportunity to delve straight into face-to-face events. BAPS started off strong with our club stall during o-week, we managed to gain new members to join in on some amazing upcoming events and had the chance to meet some amazing new first forest. We also have the highly anticipated BAPS pub-crawl back in action with a new pyjama theme twist. But this is only the beginning to an exciting year with many more social and education events to come. It is great that the club is back together again, and we cannot wait to see what the rest of this year hold for us.

William Meehan
BAPS Pharmacy Awareness Chair

PDL Student Grant Program

The logo for LocumCo features the word "LocumCo" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The "Co" is slightly larger and more prominent. Below the text is a thick, horizontal yellow bar.

Much of what we are reading about in the pharmacy media seems to be about pharmacist remuneration and how poorly new graduates and pharmacists in general are being paid. This may well be the case with the discount pharmacy chains but not so with other banner groups and independents.

Although the Pharmacy Board quotes figures indicating the number of pharmacists being higher than ever, this is also not what we are seeing at the coalface. During the height of COVID-19, many locums took up permanent employment in order to put food on the table and the impact of this has been a reduced number of available locums for all the short-term positions. This in itself has pushed the hourly rate up and locums are now being paid on average \$50/hour and upwards particularly in rural areas.

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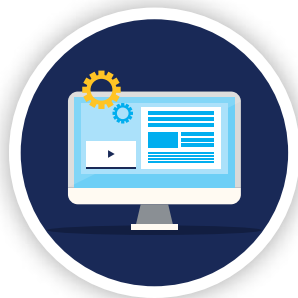
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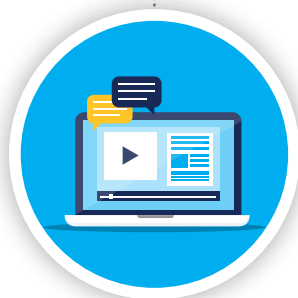
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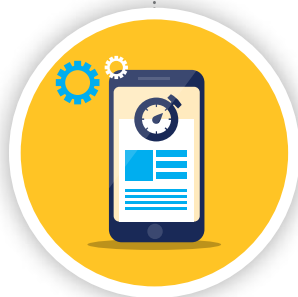
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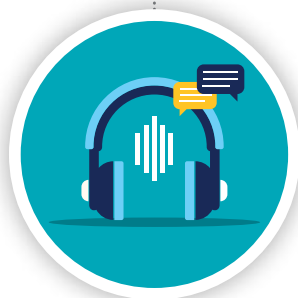
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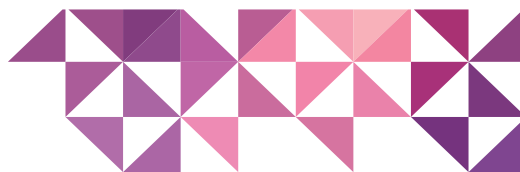
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Episode 69: International Women's Day

International Women's Day is celebrated around the world as a day to recognize the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. It's a great opportunity to help accelerate gender equality and raise awareness and visibility of this cause. This year's International Women's Day theme – Choose to Challenge – is one that resonates closely with community pharmacy; we saw time and again during 2020 the way our industry challenged itself to respond and lead, and its pharmacy's opportunity again to step up and challenge for a more inclusive world.

In this episode, we welcome Kirsten O'Doherty to discuss some of the themes around International Women's Day. Kirsten originally qualified as a hospital pharmacist before joining the pharmaceutical industry, moving from clinical research and medical roles into commercial and senior leadership positions. She has extensive board and committee experience and was appointed to the Australian government's COVID-19 Vaccines Science and Industry Technical Advisory Group.

Pharmacy Business & Career Network Podcast

We also welcome Michelle Bou-Samra. Michelle is a practising pharmacist, management consultant and Strategic Director of Fullife Pharmacies, with 30 years' experience in the industry. She currently holds the positions of President of the Australasian College of Pharmacy, PDL Queensland local advisory committee member, and is a Director of the Fullife Foundation.

Over the years, Michelle has had extensive experience with representation of the profession on a diverse range of committees, industry bodies and within organisations, culminating in her involvement in the preparation for the Fourth Agreement negotiations, and currently as a Guild Pharmacy of the Year Judge and AHPRA Mentor.



Mahek Shah's Pharmacy Journey

If anyone had told me I'd be able to search 'Mahek Shah' on Spotify with a result...I would not have believed you. Words could not express the sense of achievement and elation I felt upon the podcast publication. A small feat for some but a large feat for myself.

I was given the prestigious opportunity to be interviewed by Allie Xu an opportunity for which, I am very grateful for. I hope that it serves as a helpful and relatable listen for my peers and others. It was a pleasure diving into my journey as a Pharmacy student and experiences with leadership & fear. I enjoyed exploring my future vision and what I hope to pursue & accomplish, even though as a 3rd year student I still may not be sure.

Thank you for the immense support I have received, especially those who took the time to listen! All the kind words put a smile to my face and made my day! I appreciate those who commended me and informed me that the content of this podcast really resonated with them and provided them with great insight, I appreciate you.

Scan the QR code to listen to Mahek's podcast.



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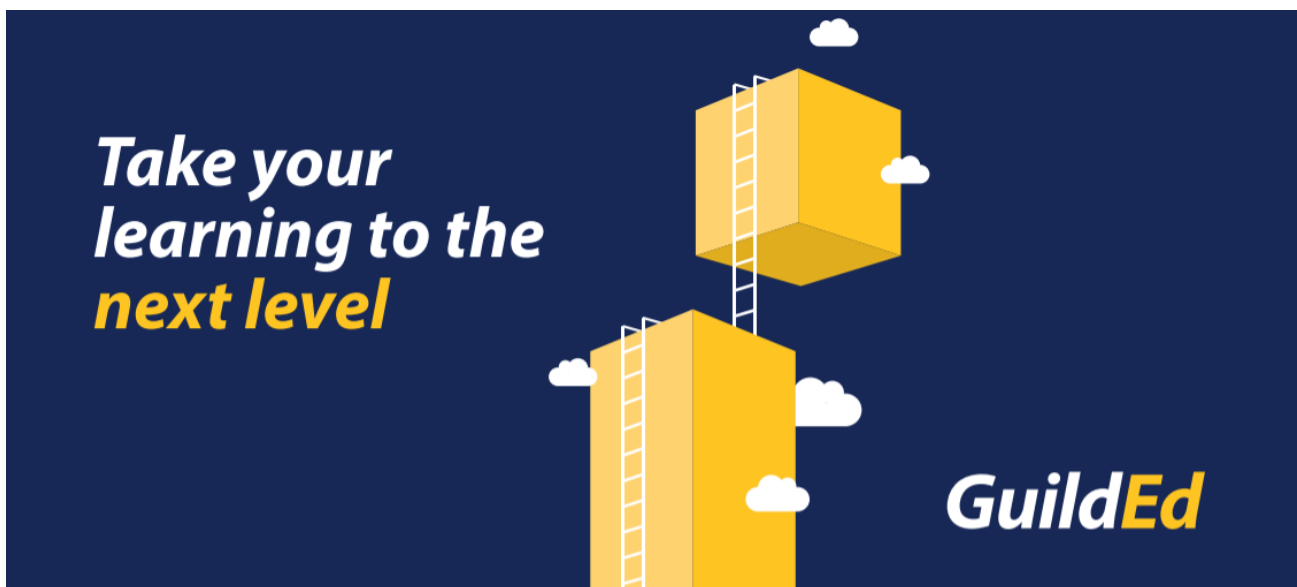
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NAPSA Alumni Spotlight: James Delahunty

James was exposed to pharmacy at the age of 14, when he worked in his fathers' pharmacy, delivering medicines and washing bottles. James went on to pursue a career in Pharmacy, studying at the University of Queensland and undertaking a traineeship at the Mater Public Hospital Pharmacy and 3-month locum position in New Guinea. James and his wife Carmel met whilst working together. They now have 4 children, and their daughter, Bridget has followed in her parents' footsteps: the family now has 3 generations of pharmacists!

James and Carmel have dedicated themselves to community pharmacy since 1970 and have made an impact on pharmacy practice both nationally and internationally. They own Jas J Delahunty's Chemists in Brisbane formerly owned by James' father. They currently own a pharmacy in Brisbane in Carmel's name which has the motto "continuing the Tradition of Complete Health Care." Like many Australian businesses, COVID19 has brought many challenges for their pharmacy.

James was NAPSA secretary and helped organise the Student Congress in 1970. He was a founding member of the Australian Institute of Pharmacy Practice Management which was initiated in Brisbane and then expanded to be the national organisation. Additionally, being a founding member of the Advanced Diploma in Pharmacy Management and organising international pharmacy management conferences in South Africa and the UK.



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James advocated for natural medicines to be sold in pharmacies separate from health food stores and encouraged vitamin and health food companies to change their products from practitioner only to pharmacy only complementary medicines. James helped with the history of pharmacy lectures and pharmacy heritage collections funded by the Pharmaceutical Defence Ltd which are now at the PACE, QUT & Griffith pharmacy schools.

The Delahunty's innovative ideas have inspired other pharmacists and pharmacies across Australia and the world. One such example being touch screen information kiosks in the pharmacy, increasing accessibility to information about natural health products. Their pharmacies were one of the first to hire naturopaths on the floor, emphasising the role of pharmacists as part of the multidisciplinary healthcare team. In addition to being one of the first to implement a separate herbal dispensary and remove the "dispensary curtain," enabling patients to directly approach the dispensing pharmacist. James had one of the first internet health sites and now owns an online chemist (www.chemistaustralia.com.au).

With the help of his Rotary Club, James founded Donations in Kind (DIK), an organisation that collected unused medicines from Qld pharmacies and sent them to developing countries. The initiative finished in 2007 with over 500 shipping containers of pharmaceutical, hospital and educational equipment being donated, improving the health of many overseas.

James won the Sanofi-Aventis Medal for Excellence in Pharmacy Practice in 2007 and was awarded with being a life member of the PSA in 2019.

The 6,000km Long Friendship

The Penpal programme was a collaboration between NAPSA and NUSPS Singapore, in which 20 of our pharmacy student members interacted with 20 members from NUSPS Singapore to forge a new friendship through penmanship. During 4 weeks of March, 4 different emails were shared between the penpal pair, with each week having a theme; *Week 1: An introduction about yourself*, *Week 2: Pharmacy*, *Week 3: Culture*, and *Week 4: Hidden Gems (Places within your countries that you will recommend to anyone outside that is not mainstream) + Photo*.

With the finale being a zoom call where we get to put a face to the name and also have to introduce each other to the other pen-pals that participated. We also played Spyfall and Pictionary which was super fun and enjoyable! Everyone who participated gave really good feedback and enjoyed partaking in the event as well as being thankful for having a lifelong friend that without this project they would have never met before.

Flynn Swift
NAPSA Executive
Director



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PENPAL**

EVENT DETAILS

- 1st March - 3rd April 2021
- Consists of weekly emails and a Zoom finale
- Platforms: Email (Penpal Writing) and Zoom (Finale)

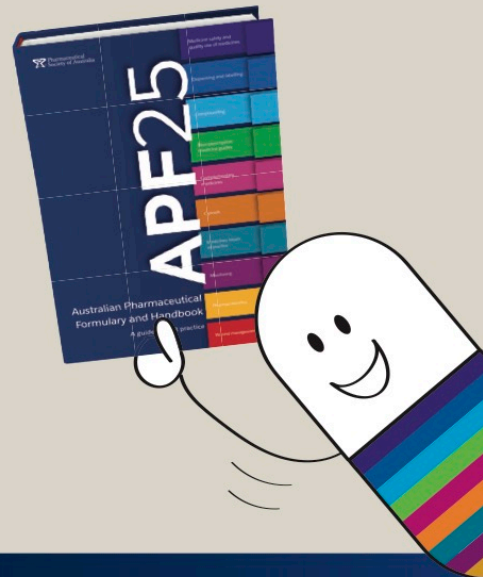
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PSA Upcoming Events

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May 2021

New South Wales

- 05 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 05 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Afternoon
- 06 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 15 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Morning
- 15 Immunisation Practical Workshop – North Sydney: Afternoon

Queensland

- 06 Immunisation Practical Refresher Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon
- 11 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 18 Immunisation Practical Refresher Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 18 Immunisation Practical Refresher Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon
- 25 Immunisation Practical Refresher Workshop – Brisbane: Morning
- 25 Immunisation Practical Refresher Workshop – Brisbane: Afternoon

South Australia

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

Tasmania

- 03 Hobart Workshop: Phase 2 COVID-19 Rollout

PSA Upcoming Events

May 2021

Victoria

06 VOPP: Digital workshop 2

19 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Morning

25 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Morning

25 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Afternoon

26 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Morning

26 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Afternoon

June 2021

Victoria

07 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Morning

07 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Afternoon

16 VOPP: Digital Workshop 1

17 VOPP: Digital Workshop 2

17 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Morning

17 Immunisation Practical Workshop – Melbourne: Morning

Western Australia

06 Perth Workshop: Phase 2 COVID-19 Rollout

07 Immunisation Practical Workshop (ATU) – Perth: Morning

07 Immunisation Practical Workshop (ATU) – Perth: Afternoon

08 WA Annual Therapeutic Update 2021

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