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Seen here AMA Tasmania President A/Prof Tim Greenaway working continuously in advocating the rights and issues on behalf of all AMA Tasmania members.

30 JULY 2016 Medical Sciences Precinct, University of Tasmania, HOBART

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Centenary Fellowship Program

CSL have announced the establishment of a new flagship \$25 million fellowship program for early stage and translational research in Australia.

About the CSL Centenary Fellowships

The CSL Centenary Fellowships are competitively-selected grants offered to midcareer (minimum 4 years post-doctoral), medical researchers. Two individual fellowships are to be awarded each calendar year. The total value of each award is \$AUD 1.25 million, which is paid in annual instalments of \$AUD 250,000 to the fellow's employing university or medical research institute. The fellowship provides for a full-time salary plus associated research costs. The breakdown is to be determined by the Fellow, in conjunction with the employing institution at the commencement of the Fellowship.

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Important to Check

AMA Tasmania encourages public hospital staff to check their pay entitlements and penalty rates. In particular, junior staff employed under the current Salaried Medical Practitioners Award (at all Tasmanian public hospitals) are entitled to penalty rates, including double time, if they are given less than 4 weeks' notice of their roster.

This is especially relevant for those Royal Hobart Hospital interns who only received their Term 2 roster as early as one week prior.

AMA Tasmania would be happy to direct any concerned staff to their particular award entitlements, and assist them in claiming this from their hospital. There are no specific time limits to claiming entitlements but we recommend you do this sooner rather than later.

Psychiatric Emergency Nurse (PEN)

Funding ending 30th June 2016

ANMF calls on Minister to Fund PEN Nurses

On the 31st March 2016, Mr Andrew Wilkie MP sent a letter to the Minister for Health, The Hon Sussan Ley MP. In this letter, Mr Wilkie urged the Minister to "maintain funding for the seven Psychiatric Emergency Nurse (PEN) positions at the Royal Hobart Hospital.

"The reply from the Federal Minister of Health stated "As you are aware, the PENs at the Royal Hobart Hospital was funded as part of the Health Assistance Package, which was always due to conclude on 30 June 2016. It was not intended to be an ongoing program."

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Heart Week Walk

Tales and Trails

North Hobart State Cinema

Led By Irene Duckett

May 8, 2016, meet at 10:15 a.m. for a 10:30 a.m. start.

Duration: 1.5 Hours

Jane's Walk is a global movement of free, citizen-led walking tours inspired by urbanist Jane Jacobs.



This year the Hobart edition of Jane's Walk coincides with Heart Week. This is a free event, and will tour North Hobart to discover the values of the area arising from its history and its present.

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