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**Dr Stuart Day appointed
AMA Tasmania President**

Following this week's meeting of the AMA Tasmania Board, AMA Tasmania is pleased to announce Dr Stuart Day has been appointed to the position of President.

Dr Day has been involved with the AMA at both a state and federal level for the past 20 years and has served as Vice-President of AMA Tasmania to A/Prof Tim Greenaway since 2014.

Dr Day has been AMA Tasmania's representative on the Postgraduate Medical Education Council of Tasmania and the LGH Joint Unions Management Committee as well as President of the Tasmanian Salaried Medical Practitioners Society for more than 10 years, helping members from around the state on matters concerning working conditions and industrial relations. [READ MORE](#)



A/Prof Tim Greenaway steps down to take on new challenge

A/Prof Tim Greenaway informed the AMA Tasmania Board he will be stepping down effective immediately from his role as President of AMA Tasmania.

A/Prof Greenaway has accepted the position of Principal Medical Advisor of the Health Products Regulation Group in the Commonwealth Department of Health.

AMA Tasmania CEO Tony Steven said A/Prof Greenaway has been a great servant of AMA Tasmania, along with many other Tasmanian health committees and boards for a number of years.

“After taking on the role of President in April 2014, Tim has worked tirelessly to better the health of Tasmanians, advocate for positive change in the Tasmanian health system and improve the working conditions of AMA Tasmania members,” said Mr Steven.

“Tim presided over AMA Tasmania during the development of the state wide Tasmanian Health Service, worked closely with the Tasmanian Government through the Healthy Tasmania Committee to develop a raft of initiatives outlined in the

Healthy Tasmania Five Year Strategic Plan, and implemented a new award for medical professionals.”

Tasmanian **Health** Conference

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

State and national health leaders come together for Tasmanian Health Conference!

Around 160 health professionals, health advocates and members of government will meet in Hobart tomorrow for the **2016 Tasmanian Health Conference** at the Menzies Research Institute.

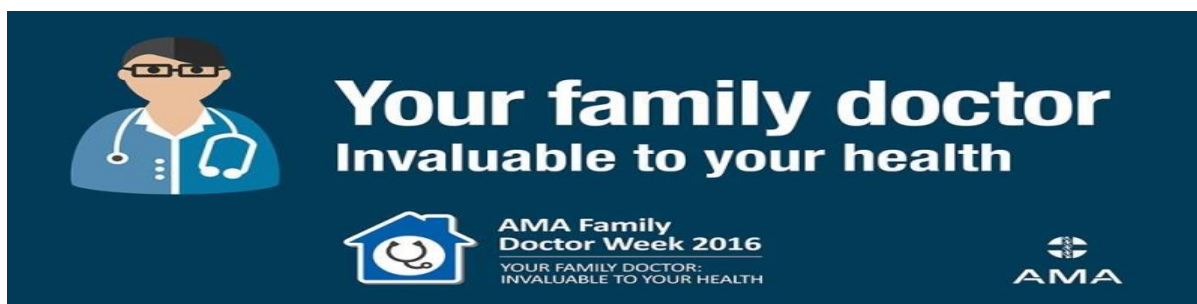
The theme of this year’s conference theme is Communities of health: It takes more than an apple a day. The 2016 Tasmanian Health Conference aims to bring delegates up-to-date on recent developments in the health, aged and social care sectors while showcasing frontline activities keeping people well and out of hospital.

AMA Tasmania President Dr Stuart Day said the conference is an important opportunity for Tasmania’s health leaders to come together to discuss the future of the state’s health system and the health of our population. “If Tasmania is to achieve the state government’s target of making Tasmania the healthiest state in Australia by 2025, it is going to take a collaborative effort between GPs, Hospitals, not-for-profit-groups and government.

This year’s conference will hear from an array of speakers including a keynote presentation from the Director of the Centre for Health Promotion and Research, Dr Garry Egger.

Attendees of the conference include Minister for Health, Mr Michael Ferguson, Dr David Alcorn CEO Tasmanian Health Service, AMA National President, Dr Michael Gannon and AMA Secretary General, Ms Anne Trimmer.

Registrations are still available.



GP-Pharmacist team delivers better outcomes for patients

This Family Doctor Week, the AMA is encouraging the Federal Government to support the AMA's proposal to integrate non-dispensing pharmacists into GP-led primary care teams.

AMA President, Dr Michael Gannon, said that the AMA's Pharmacist in General Practice Incentive Program (PGPIP) would enhance the care provided to patients, provide new career opportunities for pharmacists, and create significant Budget savings across the whole health system.

"Integrating non-dispensing pharmacists within general practices as part of a GP-led multidisciplinary health team would improve patient health," Dr Gannon said. "Under the AMA proposal, pharmacists within general practice could assist with medication management, provide patient education on their medications, and support GP prescribing with advice on medication interactions and newly available medications.

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Whilst the treating doctor's role is vital to the efficient working of the system it can sometimes be confusing and frustrating finding your way through the paperwork and legislation whilst all the while managing your patient's injury.

WorkCover Tasmania has put together a **Workers' Compensation Medical Advisory and Mentoring Service (MAMS)** designed to put doctors in touch with other doctors, to improve the medical management of workers' compensation patients and to ensure better outcomes for everyone involved in the return to work process.

MAMS is a telephone-based service initially running on a trial period till January 2017.

If you need help with the system or even just identifying treatment options, assessing work capacity and identifying alternative duties for your workers' compensation patients, call 1300 366 322 during business hours. A MAMS medical mentor will then contact you.

"MAMS will improve health outcomes of injured workers by increasing information, support and advice available to medical practitioners who are part of the workers' compensation scheme" said WorkCover Tasmania Board member Dr Rob Walters.

"Through this scheme, doctors with skills, experience and confidence in the Tasmanian workers' compensation system can help more than just their patients" More information on MAMS can be accessed at www.workcover.tas.gov.au

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