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# AMA Family Doctor Week 2017

YOUR FAMILY DOCTOR: ALL ABOUT YOU



29 JULY 2017 Medical Sciences Precinct, University of Tasmania, HOBART

## INQUIRY INTO ACUTE HEALTH SERVICES



#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE INQUIRY

On 28 June 2017, Legislative Council Government Administration Committee A resolved to form a Sub-Committee to inquire into the capacity of Tasmania's main hospitals to improve patient outcomes.

Terms of Reference for the Inquiry are: To inquire into and report upon the resourcing of Tasmania's major hospitals to deliver acute health services, including mental health services, to the people of Tasmania, with particular reference to:

(1) Current and projected state demand for acute health services;

(2) Factors impacting on the capacity of each hospital to meet the current and projected demand in the provision of acute health services;

(3) The adequacy and efficacy of current state and Commonwealth funding arrangements;

(4) The level of engagement with the private sector in the delivery of acute health services;

(5) The impact, extent of and factors contributing to adverse patient outcomes in the delivery of acute health services; and

(6) Any other matters incidental thereto.

### **READ MORE**



## SAVE THE ROYAL

#### SAVE THE ROYAL CAMPAIGN - CHANGE.ORG PETITION

In the very short time since rolling out the Save the Royal Change.org petition, there are now close to 700 signatures and comments. It is not too late to add your support or encourage the support of your patients.

Please use this link to sign the Save the Royal petition by adding your signature and encouraging the public to add theirs to the <u>Change.org Petition for the Save the</u> <u>Royal Campaign.</u>

Please circulate widely to any non-AMA colleagues, family and friends who may also wish to also support the RHH by signing.

### OTHER LOBBYING OPTIONS EMAIL THE MINISTER DIRECTLY WITH THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE

"Waiting extended periods for health care leads to poor health outcomes. Without enough beds and enough nurses and doctors to staff them, Tasmanians who need health care at the Royal Hobart Hospital face the risk of long and possibly dangerous delays in treatment. Tell the Minister for Health that Tasmanians deserve a well-resourced health system": michael.ferguson@parliament.tas.gov.au

By encouraging your patients to lobby Minister Ferguson, we can together drive the Save the Royal Campaign. Other options for lobbying include - liking and following the <u>Save the Royal Campaign Facebook page</u>.

## AMATAS EVENTS

#### **INTERVIEW SKILLS WORKSHOP - SAVE THE DATE**

AMA Tasmania is hosting a series of Interview Skills workshops across Tasmania for medical students, doctors in training and those looking for new roles. Free for members and available to Non-Members to attend for a nominal fee.

- If you have been overlooked for a job interview, then this workshop is for you.
- If you have stumbled over what to include in your CV, this workshop is for you.
- If addressing selection criteria is confronting, this workshop is for you.

• And, if you appreciate what a big deal getting your CV noticed and performing well at interview is, this workshop is for you.

The interactive workshop will be run by AMA Career Adviser, Christine Brill and AMA Group HR Director, John Barry and will be offered only once in 2017.

Christine has over three decades of experience working with the profession as well with AMA and John brings a wealth of experience in "hiring and firing". Together they will present you with information to give you the edge in applications and interviews.

**SAVE THE DATE** - Thursday 31st August and Friday 1st September 2017. This career-focused workshop will be presented only once in 2017 so register to secure your place.

**Register Now** 

### AMA RETIRED MEMBERS LUNCHEON - SAVE THE DATE

AMA Tasmania at the suggestion of some of our more senior members is staging two get together luncheons for our retired members. One in Hobart on 6th October 2017 and one in the north in Launceston on 2nd March 2018.

AMA recognises that while your working life may no longer be as busy, it is vital for you to continue to contribute and interact with your peers (plus have a little bit of fun). Friends made through work can last a lifetime, but all too often retirement can unexpectedly bring an end to workplace friendships. Keeping in touch with work colleagues is a good way to keep a diverse circle of social contacts during retirement.

More details, including costings and timings to follow.

**SAVE THE DATE** - Friday 6th October 2017 and Friday 2nd March 2018.



### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- DOCTORS' ROLE IN AGED CARE WORKFORCE TO BE CONSIDERED FOLLOWING AMA ADVOCACY
- AMA STAND ON NATIONAL MATERNITY SERVICES FRAMEWORK A WIN FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN
- AMA SLAMS PHARMACY PATHOLOGY TESTS AS "OPPORTUNISTIC AND WASTEFUL"

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### July 2017

- 8 23 July School Holidays
- 11 July Tuesday Southern Division Meeting 6 pm Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania. Light finger food and some drinks will be provided
- 27 July Thursday Northern Division Meeting 7 pm for a meal and 7.30pm start 3rd Floor Meeting Room at the Launceston General Hospital
- 29 July Saturday Tasmanian Health Conference Menzies Centre Hobart
- 29 & 30 July Council of DiT Federal

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