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Winner Bridges-Webb Award 2010

It was a great honour for me to receive the Bridges-Webb medal at the AAAPC dinner in Darwin. This was especially poignant so soon after Charles's death. Charles was my doctoral supervisor and I learnt a great deal from him. I hope that in some small way I can live up to his legacy to general practice research in Australia. It has certainly prompted me to think harder about what is important in research. We all get distracted by academic pressures to publish, be cited, secure research funding, build research teams etc. Of course, the really important long term outcomes are in mentoring and working with students and colleagues and in making a contribution to health and health care delivery. The award will certainly inspire me to try to focus on these things.

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