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# AAAPC News - February 2023

Hello everyone,

February (and summer) has officially finished. AAAPC has been picking up pace for 2023, make sure not to miss out on any news, including:

- Membership renewals due!
- Online research profiles webinar available for members
- New look website
- Subcommittee updates (find out what we are doing and how to get involved)

And much more...

Happy reading!

## Time to renew: update your AAAPC membership for 2023



Membership renewal is due Now!

Make sure you do not forget to renew your annual AAAPC membership, or you might miss out on all the news and opportunities in AAAPC for 2023.

Individual membership remains at \$175(AUD) per year, with discounts available for students and registrars.

You can renew your membership online! On the [AAAPC webpage](#), click on the icon in the top right hand corner of the screen to **log in**. Navigate to your profile by clicking on the icon in the top right corner, and selecting **My Profile** from the links. Scroll down and click on the **Renew to March 2024** button. Complete the payment form, and VOILA! You are a member for another year.

# RENEW MEMBERSHIP ONLINE TODAY



- 1** Log in at the top right
- 2** Navigate to your Profile
- 3** Scroll down to Renew!

## AAAPC Webinar available online for members

The Membership Engagement subcommittee ran a lunchtime workshop on February 13. *BIG thank you* to Dr Shakira Milton, Dr Flora Hui, and Dr Sharon Leitch for their enthusiastic and comprehensive presentation on February 13 about online researcher profiles. For anyone who missed their guidance, tips and tricks for marketing academic

skills online, check out the recording on our members only section of the [webpage](#).



## New look AAAPC website



You may have noticed our [website](#) has a fresh new look!

Everything is in the same place. The change of style gives a cleaner website. Make sure to check it out and let us know what you think on the [Members Noticeboard!](#)

Thank you so much to Katrina Green for her hard work in putting this polished website together.

## Members Noticeboard

The AAAPC [members noticeboard](#) is *the* space to post national and international primary care opportunities: jobs, research projects, guidelines and resources – really whatever you like!



In case you missed any posts this month we have seen: New dates announced for academic registrar applications 2024; and a great discussion on the ethicality of identifying practices involved in research.

To get regular updates on noticeboard posts in your emails, click [here](#) to subscribe, or navigate to the AAAPC members noticeboard (requires login) and click the subscribe button.

## Using the noticeboard is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3!

1. Sign into the AAAPC website and go to the [Members Only Section >> Noticeboard](#)
2. Underneath the big blue rectangle there is a 'Subscribe' button you can click to receive regular messages to your inbox.
3. If you would like to leave a message for other members, click the 'Create topic' button underneath the big blue rectangle.

## AAAPC Subcommittee Updates



AAAPC has 5 subcommittees dedicated to advancing the building excellence in academic primary care.

[AAAPC strategic plan](#) and

If you would like to get involved in one or more of the subcommittees, check out [our webpage](#) and email your interest to [secretariat@aaapc.org.au](mailto:secretariat@aaapc.org.au).

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**Academic Policy and Advocacy subcommittee** met end of February to discuss plans

for the year. The subcommittee is considering a response to the [Strengthening Medicare Taskforce Report](#) to remind the Government of the previous 10 year plan for primary care . Members interested in contributing to this response should contact [secretariat@aaapc.org.au](mailto:secretariat@aaapc.org.au).

**Conference Subcommittee** has been meeting regularly to finalise software for the conference and to discuss keynote speakers. Exciting things are happening in this space – keep your eye on twitter and this newsletter to get all the information soon.

**ECR subcommittee** is revamping the AAAPC mentoring program, previously called FACES (friends advancing careers through e-based support). If you would like to get involved with primary care research and education mentoring, join in by signing up on the website!

**Membership Engagement subcommittee** has been tweeting up a storm – get all the hot news and recent publications on our twitter feed. This subcommittee is also revamping our new member welcome package and considering a member wide survey to ensure AAAPC can meet the needs of members, and to highlight opportunities for members to contribute to our volunteer organisation.

**Education Subcommittee** is busy infiltrating all our subcommittees to ensure primary care education and education research is adequately represented throughout AAAPC. The subcommittee is also judging the Education travelling fellowships and preparing for an education focused webinar later this year. If you have a passion for education, this subcommittee is for you! Join by emailing your interest to [secretariat@aaapc.org.au](mailto:secretariat@aaapc.org.au)

## Upcoming Primary Care Opportunities

### International research funding opportunities

The NIHR Health Technology Assessment Programme in the UK has a long-standing collaboration with the Australian NHMRC and advertise joint commissioned calls inviting collaborative international research proposals to address shared research priorities. These

collaborative commissioned calls are announced on the [NIHR](#) and funding [NHMRC](#) websites. There is also opportunity to [suggest research topics](#) that could go through the NIHR prioritisation process for future funding consideration. Joint funding applications between the UK and Australia may be one way to provide opportunity and solidify international relationships in primary health care research.

Please contact the Secretariat if you have a research idea and we can put you in touch with the Society for Academic Primary Care (SAPC) in the UK who will assist with facilitating collaboration with NIHR.

### **Australian primary care specific funding opportunities**

A few primary care relevant grant opportunities that may be of interest for you or your team members:

- [MRFF Million minds mental health research mission](#). Grant opportunity to improve mental health and wellbeing via improving diagnosis, treatment or prevention. Applications close 29 March, 2023.
- [MRFF Rapid applied research translation grant opportunity](#). To support translation and implementation of evidence-based practice, or to support evaluation of previously funded (2022) translation and implementation activities. Applications due May 12, 2023
- **MRFF Preventive and public health research initiative.** [Consumer-led research grant opportunity](#), [Chronic Respiratory Conditions Grant opportunity](#), [Maternal Health and Lifestyles grant opportunity](#). All applications due June 14, 2023.
- [MRFF Clinician Researchers Initiative](#). To support General Practitioner clinicians to improve the quality of health care, practice and systems in their area, or implement and evaluate evidence-based practice. Applications due August 2, 2023
- [MRFF Primary Health Care Research Initiative](#). To support projects that address one or more priorities in the Strengthening Medicare Taskforce or to evaluate or implement best practice multidisciplinary care models. Applications Due August 2, 2023
- [MRFF 2023 Models of Care for Sexuality & Gender Diverse People grant opportunity](#). To support projects that develop, implement or evaluate models of care that support best practice care for sexually diverse or gender diverse people. Projects should involve co-design with community members. Applications due August 23, 2023
- [MRFF 2023 Early to Mid Career researchers grant opportunity](#). To support teams to drive health care improvements for priority populations

Remember to subscribe to [GrantConnect](#). GrantConnect provides a centralised publication of all forecast and current Australian Government grant opportunities via an online portal. To receive personalised research grant updates, make sure to input your research key words (separated by commas) when you register!

### New Zealand funding opportunities for primary care

- [2023 HRC Health Delivery Research Activation Grant](#). To establish health delivery research projects. Applications registration due March 15, full applications due April 12, 2023.
- [2023 HRC Health Delivery Research Career Development Awards](#). To support clinicians and academics to undertake funded placement in research, health services, or policy while or contributing to a research project. Applications registration due March 15, full applications due April 12, 2023.
- [2023 HRC Health Delivery Research Project Grant](#). To support research that directly impacts healthcare and health outcomes for New Zealanders. Applications registration due March 15, EOIs close April 5, and full applications due August 3, 2023.
- [2023 The Ngā Kanohi Kitea Community Advancement Fund](#). To support iwi, hapū, or other Māori community groups and organisations or researchers to undertake research training and development activities. Applications due March 21, 2023.

### Victoria PHN primary care conference

Western Victoria Primary Health Network will be running a Primary Care conference on the last weekend of May 2023. The focus of the Primary Care Conference 2023 is: Toddler to Teen Health – an Investment in the Future.

[Details coming soon!](#)



### WONCA 2023 Abstracts Open

The World Organisation of Family Doctors Conference will be held in **Sydney Australia** from **26-29 October, 2023**. Abstracts are now open! Submit [online](#) by February 9<sup>th</sup> 2023.



## Celebrating AAAPC Members



Congratulations to some of our members on successful publications:

- **Liz Halcomb** and team: [Telehealth's future in Australian Primary Health Care: Lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic](#). BJGP Open, February 2023
- **Christina Thompson** and team: [The contribution of primary care practitioners to interventions reducing loneliness and social isolation in older people—An integrative review](#). Scandanavian Journal of Caring Sciences, February 2023.
- **Sally Hall** and team: [Effects of climate related risks and exteme events on health outcomes and health utilisation of primary care in rural and remote areas: a scoping review](#). Family Practice, January 2023.
- **Bryce Brickley** and team: [Qualitative evaluation: Impact of australian general practice alcohol and other drugs education](#), BJGP Open, February 2023
- **Jan Radford** and team: [Cluster-randomised trial of the Effectiveness of Quality Incentive Payments in General Practice \(EQuIP-GP\): Prescribing of medicines outcomes](#). Research in Social and Administrative Pharmacy, January 2023.
- **Kristi Milley** and team : [General-practice based cancer publications: a bibliometric analysis 2013-2019](#). BJGP, January, 2023.
- **Jon Emery** and team : [The CRISP Trial: RCT of a decision support tool for risk-stratigied colorectal cancer screening](#). BJGP, January 2023.
- **Andrew Bonney** and team: [A cross-sectional study of burnout among Australian general practice registrars](#). BMC Medical Education, January 2023.
- **Seren Ovington** and team: [Reflections of Australian general practitioners during the first year of COVID-19: a qualitative study](#). Australian Journal of Primary Health, January 2023.

This list does not comprehensively include the achievements of all of our members (sorry). Please send me an email at [katelyn.barnes@anu.edu.au](mailto:katelyn.barnes@anu.edu.au) when you or another member you know has an achievement that we can all celebrate! Some previous examples include a new PhD completion, publication, or an award. Remember to also tag @AAAPC\_ANZ in tweets about achievements in primary care -- we would love to share the joy!

## **Welcome to New AAAPC Members**

We would love to introduce all new members in the newsletter - it is a great way to build networks within our community, highlight your areas of research interest and projects you might be working on. If you would like your bio to be published in the monthly newsletter, please email [secretariat@aaapc.org.au](mailto:secretariat@aaapc.org.au) or [katelyn.barnes@anu.edu.au](mailto:katelyn.barnes@anu.edu.au). We are excited to meet you!

Until next month,

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