

# Statewide Obstetric Shared Care Program Newsletter September 2006

### Antenatal Screening Radiology

Dr Jones & Partners and Perrett Medical Imaging are pleased to inform all GP's that they are able to offer bulk billing for Obstetric shared care patients. Dr Jones & Partners and Perrett Medical Imaging will not require any gap payments if GP's annotate the request form that the patient is 'shared care - bulk bill'. Rosemary Powell Marketing Officer for the group can be contacted on: Phone: 08 83092228 Mobile: 0437 717 422 or Email: rosemary.powell@drjones.com.au Bensons Radiology continue to provide their bulk billing service

#### **Rural CPD Seminars**

We are pleased to announce that Country Health SA have approved funding for the 2006-2007 financial year to address the issue of access to CPD for Rural GPs participating in the Statewide GP Obstetric Shared Care Program. The aim of the funding is to provide Rural Divisions of General Practice with the capacity to offer CPD of an appropriate standard to Rural GPs across SA, in this way supporting GP Obstetricians and Consultants, and the communities in which they serve. This year the funding will enable two CPD sessions to be presented locally at each Rural Division before the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2007. Contact your Division to register your interest in attending a local CPD event for GP Obstetric Shared Care.

## **Rural Accreditation Seminar**

This years Rural Accreditation Seminar will be held in conjunction with the Adelaide Hills Division of General Practice. The Rural Accreditation Seminar will be held at Auchendorrach House at Mount Barker on 18<sup>th</sup> November. Priority will be given to GPs from rural Divisions of General Practice, however, GPs from Adelaide may also wish to attend. Numbers will be limited to 50 to adhere to RACGP Category 1 point requirements, so please register your interest early. Please see enclosed flier for further information.

#### Baby Friendly Breastfeeding Education Program

The Children, Youth and Women's Health Service in partnership with key stakeholders have developed an 8-hour breastfeeding e-learning education program that provides education for health professionals that links with the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI) and Baby Friendly Community Initiative (BFCI). The Program covers Topics 1-7 of the BFHI and BFCI steps and includes extra information in the form of tips, videos and suggested reading. The Program is relevant to health professionals who have contact with breastfeeding mothers or have a professional interest in breastfeeding. GPs may individually apply for QA&CPD Category 2 points. Individual participation costs \$45 and groups of 50 or more \$35 per person (plus GST). Further information on the Baby Friendly Breastfeeding Education Program is available at www.babyfriendly.sa.gov.au or from Carol Fudali at the Centre for Health Promotion, Children, Youth and Women's Health Service on 8161 7156 or email carol.fudali@cywhs.sa.gov.au

Date	DGP/Hosp	Subject	Seminar Details
30 <sup>th</sup> October	SDGP/FMC	Gynaecological Problems	Speakers: Dr Jane Wood,
		in Pregnancy	Dr Sellvakumaram Paramasivam
			& Dr Matthias Maiwald.
			See enclosed flier.
1 <sup>st</sup> November	ACEDGP/WCH	Hypertension & IUGR	Speaker: Prof Jeffrey Robinson.
			See enclosed flier.
18 <sup>th</sup> November	AHDGP&SOSCP	Rural Accreditation	ALM Category 1 30 points.
		Seminar	See enclosed flier. Register early
			as numbers are limited!!

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#### **Evaluation of the SA Pregnancy Record**

An Evaluation of the revised SA Pregnancy Record (SAPR) has been undertaken. Thank you to all GPs who completed the SAPR Questionnaire that was included in the March Edition of the Program Newsletter. Most GPs felt that the SAPR was easy to use, improved communication with other health providers and served as a useful reminder of routine investigations. Suggestions for improvement included removing the adhesive and the development of an electronic SAPR. Feedback on the design, format and usefulness of the SAPR will inform the Department of Health of changes that need to be made before the next round of printing.

#### Introducing New Team Member

Dr Dragica Sosa has taken over from Dr Dawn Le as ANDGP Statewide Obstetric Shared Care Program GP Advisor. Dragica was involved with the regional OSC program in the northern suburbs before statewide rollout. With Dr Diana Cox, she was on the DHS Healthy Start Models of Care Work Group, that facilitated the statewide adaptation of OSC. Until March 2006 Dragica continued as a member of the Department of Health OSC Advisory Group. She is quite well known to the GPs of ANDGP and to the staff at the LMHS; both with her 10 years of involvement with the Division and her 12 years of providing obstetric shared care in the north. Welcome back.

#### **Statewide Obstetric Shared Care Program - Reminders**

- □ The revised SA Pregnancy Record is now available. To order copies of the SAPR at no cost to your practice, please fax Barry Crane at the Department of Health on 8130 0733 detailing the name and address of your practice and the number of copies required. A fax cover sheet can be downloaded off the SADI website
- □ The revised Statewide Obstetric Shared Care Program Protocols containing the latest best practice in OSC are available for download from the SADI website **www.sadi.org.au** (go to the Programs page, select GP Obstetric Shared Care, then select Protocol Booklet).
- GPs are reminded that a CBP rather than Hb is required along with the OGCT at 26-28 weeks. The source of confusion may be in the formatting of the SA Pregnancy Record, but please be assured a full CBE is required
- Medical Indemnity requires all pregnant women participating in GP Shared Care to be seen by a hospital consultant at, or by, 20 weeks. Waiting times for hospital appointments can be as long as 8 weeks. All GPs are reminded to organise their referrals before 12 weeks gestation to ensure booking appointments meet the medical indemnity criteria.
- Obstetric Shared Care is up and running at the Gawler Health Service. They offer 24 hour medical cover. Patients report high satisfaction with the accessibility and standard of care. Midwife Coordinator, Lisa Frahm, can be contacted on 8621 2060, Tuesday through to Friday.

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