

Nursing & Midwifery Policy Communiqué

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The Nursing and Midwifery (NMP) Communiqué is produced monthly for Directors of Nursing of public health services. Communiqués are also available on the Nursing in Victoria website: www.health.vic.gov.au/nursing

Please circulate me to wards/areas where nurses and midwives work in your organisation!

Calling for the final minimum data set for *Bringing Nurses Back to the Workforce*

The last group of BNBW Program participants are completing their program in November 2011. Health services are therefore requested to send completed MDS data to NMP by **8 November 2011** for budget acquittal.

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T&D grant (Nursing and Midwifery)

The Training & Development Grant (T&D grant) supports the costs associated with the teaching, training and research activities undertaken by public health services. New guidelines are available on our website.

T&D Submissions for 2011-12 are due **1 December 2011**

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/nursing/furthering/training>
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Framework for Eligible Midwives

The 3Centres Collaboration (on behalf of DH) is currently consulting on and developing a framework for Victorian public hospitals/health services to consider collaborative arrangements with eligible midwives.

Six consultation forums across rural regions and metropolitan Melbourne are being held in **November 2011**.

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/maternitycare/progs.htm>
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Nurse Practitioner Scholarships for 2012

NMP is offering NP scholarships for RNs to undertake an appropriate clinical Masters program that leads to endorsement as a Nurse Practitioner in 2012. Guidelines are now available for preview.

Applications and access to the application form on website opens **31 October 2011**.

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/nursing/furthering/practitioner/nurse-practitioner-scholarships>
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RN Course Accreditation Standards Review

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) has released a consultation paper and commenced a consultation period about the current accreditation standards for the courses leading to registration as a nurse. Over the next few months, NMP will be seeking input from directors of nursing to ensure that the views of Victorian public health service employers be considered in the ANMAC consultation process.

<http://www.anmc.org.au/>
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