



## ACA 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE

### Jenny Silvers

The 5<sup>th</sup> annual national Disease Management and Acute Home Care conference by Ambulatory Care Australia will be presented in September this year. The two day conference titled “Disease Management 2004 & Enabling Technologies in Ambulatory Care” will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September at ZINC at Federation Square in Melbourne.

This year’s conference again sees distinguished International and National speakers in the Disease Management and Acute Home Care fields.

The conference will launch The Australian Disease Management Association (ADMA) at a cocktail party on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Delegates will have the opportunity to become a member of the Association which will be providing an annual conference, newsletter, Literature review journal, Disease Management Information exchange line and access to an article database.

The first day of the conference focuses on Disease Management with the keynote speakers from Singapore and Australia. Dr Jason Cheah, Chief Project Officer, National HealthCare Group Pty Ltd, Singapore will be presenting Singapore Disease Management Initiatives and Mr Dan Hook, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Health Management Group, NSW will be presenting a session on Case Management. Another highlight of the day will be the teleconference link with Dr JoAnne Epping-Jordan, Coordinator Health Care for Chronic Conditions, World Health Organisation, Geneva. Worldwide opportunities and disparities in the management of chronic disease will be covered. Presenters from around Australia will be present their initiatives and services in Disease Management.

The second day of the conference will focus on Acute Home Care and Hospital in the Hospital initiatives. Keynote speaker is Dr Elias Papazissis, Director of Hospital at Home Department, Hygeia Hospital, Athens. Associate Professor Nick Santamaria will present on the effectiveness of digital imaging and remote expert wound consultation on healing rates in chronic lower leg ulcers in the Kimberley region of Western Australia.

Dr Michael Montalto from the Hospital In The Home Unit at Epworth Hospital in Victoria and Ms Lana Racic, Director of Acute Aged Interface Section, Acute Care Division, Australian Government Department of Health & Ageing will discuss private patients in the HITH setting.

The conference should interest and be of benefit to medical nursing, pharmacy and allied health professionals as well as administration and healthcare policy professionals interested in Disease Management and Hospital in the Home programs. As usual this well attended conference provides a great opportunity to network, exchange information and hear about other programs initiatives.

Ambulatory Care Australia looks forward to seeing you there.

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## **JCAHO Modifies 2004 National Patient Safety Goals for Home Care**

The Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) recently advised that they have revised the 2004 National Patient Safety Goals to make them more relevant to home care practice. The Goals for Home Care have had Goal 4, which relates to eliminating wrong-site, wrong-patient, wrong-procedure surgery, removed. Additionally, Goal 3 (improving the safety of high-alert medications), Goal 5 (improving the safety of using infusion pumps) and Goal 6 (improving the effectiveness of clinical alarm systems) have been modified for home care services.

For further information please see

[http://www.jcaho.org/accredited+organizations/home+care/standards/revisions/04\\_hc\\_npsg.htm](http://www.jcaho.org/accredited+organizations/home+care/standards/revisions/04_hc_npsg.htm)

## **Outpatient Parenteral Anti-microbial Therapy (OPAT) Newsletter**

The OPAT newsletter is a new source of information derived from the OPAT Outcomes Registry. The newsletter is free and available from their website or via email. The newsletter will cover topics such as vascular access, infection control, pharmacy, and outcomes research.

Also noted on the OPAT website was the development of Infectious Diseases Society of America OPAT guidelines. The website states that these were due out in the Clinical Infectious Diseases Journal in June 2004.

For further information please see [www.opat.com](http://www.opat.com)

## **CONFERENCES**

### **National Health Care Integration Conference 2004, "Making and Measuring Integration - A Recipe for Health Care Reform",**

12th-13th August 2004, in Brisbane, QLD.

Contact: Mary Sparksman, Tel: (07) 3878 9242

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Website: <http://www.archi.net.au/content/index.phtml/itemId/158608>

### **The 2nd Australasian Conference on Safety and Quality in Health Care**

9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> August 2004, in Canberra, ACT

Contact: <http://www.icms.com.au/aaqhc2004/>

### **Disease Management 2004 and Enabling Technologies in Ambulatory Care - ACA**

9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September 2004 in Melbourne VIC

Contact: 03 9276 3535, [aca@alfred.org.au](mailto:aca@alfred.org.au)

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/aca/conf2004.pdf>

**Fax through your registration form prior to 6 August to catch the early-bird on 03 9276 6901.**  
(Form attached)

## **Health Outcomes 2004: Perspectives on Population Health**

15<sup>th</sup>–16<sup>th</sup> September 2004 in Canberra, ACT

Contact: Jan Sansoni or Lorna Tilley

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<http://www.uow.edu.au/commerce/ahoc/upcomingconference.html>

## **Innovations and technological Advances in Infusion Care.**

National Academy of Infusion Therapy. 5<sup>th</sup> November 2004 in Indian Wells, California, USA.

Contact: Tel: 781-440-9408 Fax: 781-440-9409

Web: [www.ins1.org/](http://www.ins1.org/)

## **ARCHI Toolkit Seminar: Achieving Efficiencies in Clinical Management: Mobile, Tele and Wireless Technologies.**

25-26th November 2004 in Melbourne

Contact: ARCHI National Office on (02) 4924 0900 or email [admin@archi.net.au](mailto:admin@archi.net.au)

<http://www.archi.net.au/content/index.phtml/itemId/158631>

## **National Home Infusion Association (NHIA) 14<sup>th</sup> annual conference and exposition**

10 – 13<sup>th</sup>, February 2005 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Contact: <http://www.nhianet.org/index.cfm>

## **8th National Rural Health Conference - Central to Health: sustaining well-being in remote and rural Australia**

10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2005 in Alice Springs, NT

Contact: Kristin Ginnivan, Speaker Liaison 02 6285

4660. <http://www.archi.net.au/content/index.phtml/itemId/160821>

## **Health Information and Management Systems Society Conference 2005.**

13-17th February 2005 in Dallas, Texas, USA

Contact: [www.himss.org](http://www.himss.org)

## **WEBSITES**

### **CHIK Services:**

<http://www.chik.com.au/events/index.php?month=02&year=2004&PHPSESSID=167f42a32a1e7acf940148bf1be62402>

### **Outpatient Parenteral Anti-microbial Therapy Resource**

[www.opat.com](http://www.opat.com)

### **American Society of Health-System Pharmacists**

<http://www.ashp.org/>

### **American Academy of Home Care Physicians**

<http://www.aahcp.org/>

**American College of Physicians-American Society  
of Internal Medicine**

<http://www.acponline.org/>

**Association for Professionals in Infection Control  
and Epidemiology**

<http://www.acepidemiology.org/societies/APICEI.shtml>

**National Association for Vascular Access**

<http://64.87.38.32/cgi-navannet/pages/NVPcat.cgi>

**The Infectious Diseases Society of America**

<http://www.idsociety.org/>

**Infusion Nurses Society**

<http://www.ins1.org/>

# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM / TAX INVOICE

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### DISEASE MANAGEMENT 2004 & ENABLING TECHNOLOGIES IN AMBULATORY CARE

Thursday 9 September and Friday 10 September 2004

ZINC at Federation Square, Melbourne

#### Delegate details:

Date:

Name (+ Ms/Mr/Dr etc.)

Organisation:

Position in Organisation:

Organisation Address:

Post Code:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

Mobile:

#### Registration Fees (inclusive of GST):

Early (before 6 August)

Late

Please  appropriate box

9 Sept ONLY (Includes Cocktail Party)

\$400

\$450

10 Sept ONLY

\$400

\$450

9 & 10 Sept (BOTH DAYS)

\$700

\$750

**TOTAL PAYMENT**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance at Cocktail Party?

Cheques should be made payable to: "Ambulatory Care Australia" and mailed with a copy of this form to Marion Osborn, The Alfred, PO Box 315, Prahran, Victoria 3181.

Alternatively, payment may be made by card:

Bankcard

MasterCard

Visa

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Cardholder's Name:

Card Expiry Date:

Cardholder's Signature:

For further information, contact Kaylene Fiddes or Marion Osborn on 03 9276 3535

Note: One delegate per registration form please. (Registration form may be photocopied.)  
The registration form can only be accepted if accompanied by full payment.