



## Australia and New Zealand Society of Nuclear Medicine Limited

CPD Sub Committee Update to the Members December 2013

### To the ANZSNM Technologist/Scientist Members,

The MRPBA/ANZSNM CPD Program has been operational since July 2012 and is now due for its first annual update and a series of recommendations to the Members.

- **Reflective Practice** – the MRPBA has heavily emphasised their expectation that Reflective Practice be undertaken for every Substantive and General activity. Due to technical issues, the plan to include this as a drop down feature for direct typing into whenever an activity is entered into the ANZSNM web site database has temporarily been delayed. Until this feature is created the sub-committee would like to remind the Members that reflective practice must be undertaken for every activity. It does not need to be arduous. There is no set limit to length but the expectation from the ANZSNM CPD sub-committee would be a few lines for each point below. Essentially this written reflective practice should centre around:
  - What did I learn from the activity?
  - How can I use this new information?
  - What will I do differently in my workplace or role?
  - What do I need to do to reinforce my learning?
- **Survey Monkey** – to gain members input the sub-committee has developed a short survey for completion linked to this email package. The aim will be to gain knowledge of how and where members are gaining CPD, any difficulties they face and in what particular areas. We will share the outcomes of the Survey Monkey with members so they can benchmark with other nuclear medicine practitioners.
- **CPD activities** – the sub-committee would also like to remind members that our protected title is “Medical Radiation Practitioners”. Therefore most Substantial activities should be derived from attending medical radiation related lectures/seminars/conferences in Nuclear Medicine, PET, Radiology/CT and Radiotherapy planning. A small percentage can be derived from attending other medical imaging modality lectures. The rationale for this relates to the fact that discussions with professional colleagues about clinical cases and events form part of an “integrated professional practice”. The reflective practice to be considered could include discussions such as “I am a NMS undertaking a renal scan but what studies would a radiographer, MRI or sonography specialist undertake? Why? What further information could be collated for this patient?” This should also assist rural NMSs gain CPD if working in multi modality centres.
- **CPD for Annual Meeting** – for the 2014 ANZSNM Adelaide meeting we will be trialling scanning of delegate name badges for each session as a method of automatically recording CPD hours with a printed transcript available at the end of the Meeting. There will be a swipe in/swipe our system and a lock out period i.e. if you leave within a certain time you will not be entitled to achieve CPD hours for that lecture or breakfast seminar.
- **CPD Powerpoint presentation** – as per the 2013 Perth ANZSNM meeting, a version of the refresher CPD Presentation will be available to all Branch secretaries for presentation at future branch meetings and through a link included in this email package.

Any questions please refer them to the ANZSNM secretariat  
Regards,

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