



NEWSLETTER

June 2025

SCLMA President's Message Dr Jon Harper



Sunshine Coast Annual Health Report July 31st 2025

DATE: July 31, 2025 - 7:00pm start

This is my favourite time of year. The humidity drops, the skies clear, the garden growth slows to a pace that is manageable. The cooler evening temperatures grant us access to those favourite jackets and sweaters that have been hibernating in our wardrobes for months.

The chopped ocean smooths to glass, burnt orange in the mornings, with happy fishermen carving quiet lines across the bay. The humpbacks start to move, watching us watch them as they splash and wave to walkers on the points.

At sunset, the air fills with the scent of yellowbox and iron bark embers. Rusty fire pits are put to work toasting marshmallows and warming cold hands.

Views from the hinterland stretch further, damp campgrounds dry out, mosquitos retreat, and plans are made for hiking and biking and sipping red wine next to a warm fire.

Another couple of things to look forward to this winter are the SCLMA Gala Cocktail Party on Friday 22nd August, and the annual Health Report on 31st July.

For the Health Report, our monthly clinical education meeting takes the form of several short presentations from leaders in the public and private health sectors, and medical education. There will be opportunities for questions from attendees and this year I would encourage members to email their questions to the SCLMA before the meeting, which we will pass on to the appropriate presenter. Please use the usual SCLMA email – admin@sclma.com.au

Tickets are now available for the Gala Cocktail Party. Book via Try Booking at <https://www.trybooking.com/DBYRH>. There is also the option to attend a Champagne Tasting session just before Gala, but be quick tickets are limited! It should be a very entertaining evening and we hope you can make it.

Jon Harper
8/5/2025

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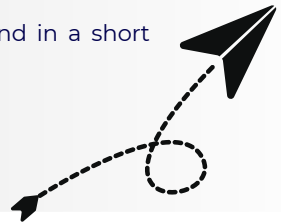
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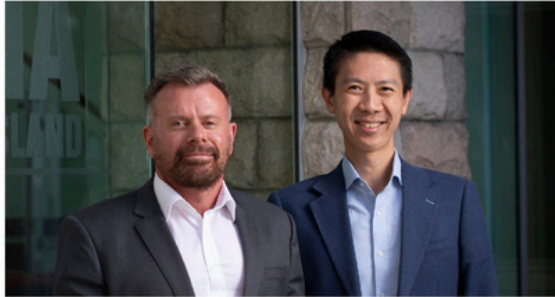
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AMA QUEENSLAND UPDATE



AMA Queensland CEO Dr Brett Dale
and President Dr Nick Yim

With the summer heat now behind us, we're preparing for the cold and the annual influx of respiratory illnesses that put pressure on our already stressed medical workforce.

We continue to support Queensland Health's push to boost the free flu shot program, which has been visible in our media efforts.

In the lead-up to this year's state budget on 24 June, the first from the LNP government, we are sharing our calls and priorities to ensure it puts the health of Queenslanders across the state first.

STATE BUDGET

The economic blueprint will be handed down on 24 June, and AMA Queensland has made no bones about our priorities for the new government – workforce, workforce, workforce.

Dedicated to being part of the medical workforce solution, this year we established a Workforce Working Group to develop practical and profession-led recommendations to help guide government policy. These are due to be released this winter, so we'll have more to say in our next update.

Our budget campaign began with a spotlight on the increase in patients waiting to receive planned surgery. Our calls to implement the recommendations of our Surgical Waitlist Roundtable Action Plan received strong coverage in The Sunday Mail, Cairns Post and on several radio stations.

We've also highlighted mental health as a huge area of concern. We called on the government to boost services by an extra \$330 million, including delivering an additional 700 community mental health workers and 374 new psychiatric beds.

This was followed by our calls to support our health workforce to mitigate risks to patient safety, employee wellbeing and quality of care.

Most recently, we urged the government to prioritise meaningful investment in First Nations, women's and LGBTQIASB+ health services to close persistent gaps in care.

Our other budget priorities include, improving boosting digital integration, and ensuring more options and support for those needing end of life care.



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GP TRAINING INCENTIVE

AMA Queensland welcomes any investment in healthcare, but particularly when it prioritises workforce support in the areas and specialties most in need.

This is why we were quick to welcome the Queensland Government's commitment to primary healthcare with the confirmation of the General Practice Trainee Incentive program.

The \$24 million investment will see more than 550 eligible doctors starting their GP training in Queensland in 2025 receive one-off payments of \$40,000 and is a much-needed attraction incentive to have doctors train to be GPs in Queensland.

We have long campaigned for this GP attraction incentive to align with that offered in Victoria, and it formed part of our 2025-26 and previous years' budget submissions.

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We must support our junior doctors to work in our regional and rural areas, to care for those communities who are in desperate need of increased primary care access.

We look forward to seeing this, and other initiatives AMA Queensland has advocated for, funded in the upcoming state budget.



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REAL TIME HOSPITAL DATA

AMA Queensland welcomed the government's Open Hospitals portal as a good first step in providing patients, health staff and the community with real-time information about our public health system.

However, the portal still has a long way to go if it is going to provide a clear picture to patients of the situation in our hospitals at any given moment.

Real time emergency data is crucial to driving effective reform and the effective allocation of resources, but it must reflect the reality of the patient experience, AMA Queensland President Dr Nick Yim told 4BC Radio.

The data portal must be accurate and transparent and provide patients and clinicians with the information they need to make their clinical decisions.

Until the data reflects the reality of the patient experience, we continue to urge the government to inform the public of the limited nature of the data and what the real wait times are to receive treatment.



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VACCINES

On Friday 30 May, Dr Yim joined Chief Health Officer Dr Heidi Carroll at Hawthorne Clinic in Brisbane to promote the importance of staying up to date with vaccinations, as flu rates spike and a new highly contagious strain of COVID-19 spreads in Australia.

Despite Queensland Health providing free influenza shots again this year, vaccination fatigue remains a real challenge.

Last year, nearly 200 people died from influenza – many of whom were unvaccinated. Concerningly, almost 20 per cent were aged between 30 and 65, a group generally considered to be at lowest risk.

We continue to promote the vaccine in the media and are supporting Queensland Health in circulating its resource kit for doctors containing key messages and materials you can use in your own communication channels. [You can find it on our website.](#)



Patient receiving vaccine Dr Heidi Carroll and Dr Nick Yim

E-SCOOTER INQUIRY

The Queensland Government has launched a Parliamentary Inquiry into Personal Mobility Devices such as e-scooters and e-bikes to improve safety and address community concerns.



E-scooters and e-bikes have changed the way roads are used in many Queensland cities.

However, as much as they've been heralded for providing an affordable and convenient active transport option, they have attracted their fair share of controversy.

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Between 2021 and 2024 there was a 112 per cent increase in injuries to riders, passengers and pedestrians, and eight riders died in 2024 alone.

We encourage any member with a view or experience caring for patients injured by e-scooters to make a submission prior to **midday Friday 20 June 2025**.



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MEDICAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

AMA Queensland Foundation has awarded \$10,000 scholarships to four Queensland medical students to support them in continuing their medical studies and pursuing their dreams of becoming doctors.

Rheannon Griffin, Alexandra Green and Noah Steel are this year's Medical Student Scholarships recipients.

A fourth student Ann Vincent was awarded a scholarship supported by the Indian Medical Association Queensland under the Foundation's Sponsor one Student Program.

"Without financial support, some medical students experience hardship significant enough to threaten their ability to complete their studies, and this is a need the Foundation seeks to fill with our scholarship program," AMA Queensland Foundation Chair Dr Dhupelia said.

"With rising living costs, many medical students are doing it tougher than ever, and we are grateful to be able to help even a handful of individuals continue their journey."



[Read more](#)

The Foundation is hoping to offer three or more Medical Student Scholarships in 2026 with your support.

Donations are currently open through its annual End of Financial Year tax appeal where all donations over \$2 are tax deductible.



Noah Steel, Rheannon Griffin and Alexandra Green

HEALTHSCOPE COLLAPSE

The viability of the private health sector is becoming an increasing challenge, and this is only exacerbated by the news of Healthscope's collapse.

Healthscope has advised AMA Queensland that all its hospitals remain open and operational, with no current impacts on staff, doctors or patient care.

In an interview with 4BC Radio, Dr Yim said that although there will be uncertainty moving forward, we will continue to work with all stakeholders to ensure a smooth transition for staff, doctors and patients involved.

Beyond Healthscope, private health is an essential part of Australia's healthcare system.

This situation only reinforces the need to adopt the AMA's proposal for an independent Private Health System Authority, giving much better oversight of the sector.



Having robust private healthcare gives options to patients and reduces the burden on the public health system, while also providing extra opportunities for doctors and nurses who move between the two as a key driver of workforce retention.

We continue to urge the state and federal governments to work together to ensure a sustainable private healthcare system into the future.



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BOARD AND COUNCIL ELECTION

Hervey Bay GP and incumbent President Dr Nick Yim has been re-elected by fellow doctors to serve a second term as AMA Queensland President.

He was officially reappointed to the role at the AMA Queensland AGM on Friday 30 May.

Vice President Dr Emilia Dauway will also serve a second term after being elected unopposed, along with Dr Eleanor Chew OAM as Board Chair.

One new Board member, Prof Paul Griffin, has been elected, as well as seven new Council members, including student representatives.

There were no eligible nominees for the Full-time Salaried Medical Practitioner Representative or Downs and West Area Representative positions. These positions will be advertised as casual vacancies.



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AMA QUEENSLAND AWARD WINNERS

Four notable AMA Queensland members were honoured at this year's Dinner for the Profession on Friday 20 May.

Central Queensland GP Dr Mary Dunne, who has served the town of Woorabinda for nearly 30 years, was honoured with the Gold Medal.

The AMA Queensland Excellence in Healthcare Award went to breast cancer specialist Prof Sunil Lakhani, the Rural Health Medal to Dr Matt Masel and the Doctor in Training Medal to Dr Elise Witter.

We congratulate these doctors on their phenomenal achievements throughout their careers so far.



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Dr Nick Yim and Prof Sunil Lakhani Dr Nick Yim and Dr Elise Witter



Dr Nick Yim and Dr Mary Dunne Dr Nick Yim and Dr Matt Masel

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us and the [Australian Senior Active Doctors Association](#) this August for our engaging and inspiring one-day [Senior Doctor Conference](#) tailored to senior active and retired doctors.

Are you thinking about travelling overseas this year? Join us for our [Annual Conference 2025](#) in Vancouver, Canada to earn CPD points and learn key issues facing the profession while immersed in a unique tourism destination.

We can't wait to see you at one of our 2025 events!



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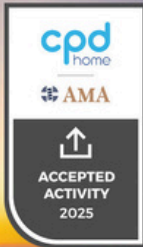
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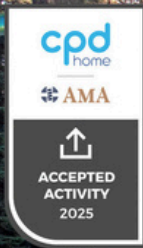


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GP Liaison

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Dr Edwin Kruijs and Dr Michelle Johnston



Inaugural SCHHS information night for GP Practice Managers and Practice Nurses

It was a pleasure to welcome practice managers and nurses at the Sunshine Coast Health Institute (SCHHS) in Birtinya on 6 May 2025, facilitated by the GPO team.

Speakers/topics included:

- The Nurse Navigator Service
- Referral Management
- Letters & Discharge Summaries
- Queensland Ambulance Service
- Community Connect Services
- STS address book
- GP Smart Referrals
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Image: Attendees at the inaugural Practice Managers/Practice Nurses Forum in Birtinya, Tuesday 6 May 2025.

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Written clinical advice in response to your question is returned securely & electronically, usually within 5 business days.

There are no required criteria for requests for advice. The clinical question is written in a free text box. Before sending a request for advice we encourage GPs to check HealthPathways for relevant clinical information.

Requests *for non-clinical advice* (such as appointment scheduling), should not be sent via Smart Referrals. They should be directed to the referral Centre GP Hotline: 1300 358 225.

Hospital specialty contact numbers for clinical advice

Direct hospital specialty phone numbers can be accessed through Health Pathways: from main page on HealthPathways, go to Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service Contacts, then Hospital specialty contact numbers for clinical advice. Or use this direct link: [Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service](#) (document may be updated from time to time).

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Referral tips

Clinical override of referral information

We recognise there are circumstances where patients are unable to access or undergo the required investigations. If certain information, e.g. investigations, are contraindicated for a particular patient or not available, e.g. in a rural setting, please explain why the information has not been included.

GP Smart Referral users should fill out the 'clinical override' text box for this purpose. Please note, if there is no valid reason for not including essential referral information, the clinical override request may be ignored, and the referral declined.

Referring doctor responsibility

The Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service and the referring clinician share responsibility for the care of a patient following referral and prior to the first available hospital appointment. Triage is made using the information provided in the referral.

If the situation changes and you feel the patient requires more urgent review, please send an updated referral with supporting information requesting a possible upgrade. Please discuss this with your patient and ensure they are aware to re-present to you if their condition worsens.

ED waiting times now publicly available

To find out what the current emergency department waiting times are in the main Queensland Health public facilities, please visit: <https://openhospitals.health.qld.gov.au/>

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MBChB, FRANZCR, GAICD

Located at Icon Maroochydore and Icon Noosa

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A/Prof Alex Tan

MBBS, FRANZCR

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What's happening at Sunshine Coast Health?

Sunshine Coast Health launches new program to support international doctors transition to Australian hospitals



Photo: Dr Thi Aung and Dr Sophie Brock with the six STEPP-IN Program international doctors

Sunshine Coast Health has launched a new program to support internationally trained doctors who are living in Australia transition into our hospital environment and address a predicted workforce shortage.

The STEPP-IN program is a 10-week clinical observership and education program for international medical graduates (IMGs) who are not yet working as doctors in Australia, to help prepare them for a career here.

Sunshine Coast Health Director of Clinical Training Dr Thi Aung said six doctors are taking part in the pilot program.

“In the next 5 to 10 years there is a severe workforce shortage so to address that there are these international medical graduates who are already in our country and want to try get back to the workforce, so we are helping them do that,” Dr Aung said.

“We are giving them a chance to observe and get used to the Australian healthcare system before they actually join the workforce.

“We are hoping they are job ready once we complete this program – that’s our aim.”

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New baby blankets honour cultural heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander babies born in Sunshine Coast Health facilities will now receive a custom blanket to embrace their culture in a clinical setting from the moment they're born.

Sunshine Coast Health Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Manager Naomi Ford said the project came about as a response from community.

"It's something they would have liked to have seen to make them feel a little bit more culturally safe when they attend our facilities," she said.

"As you know having a baby is a wonderful experience and we thought what better way to enhance that than to provide a special little blanket for the newborn babies." Two blanket designs have been created by local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists Zartisha Davis and Amanda Pitt-Lythgoe.

Zartisha's artistic piece is titled "Yi'run Djagan", meaning Women's Country.

"This artwork depicts all the things that our women did – birthing on country, bleeding on country, our gatherings, stories, but especially our birthing sites," she said.

Amanda Pitt-Lythgoe's piece, titled Djaagan (Earth), tells the powerful and enduring spiritual connection between mother and baby.

"It's about past, present and future, baby coming into the world, the mother giving a water birth," she said.

"In the background we've got the DNA being passed down from mother to baby." The blankets are provided as part of Sunshine Coast Health's dedication to promoting Health Equity and honouring the cultural heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.



Zartisha (left) and Amanda (right)



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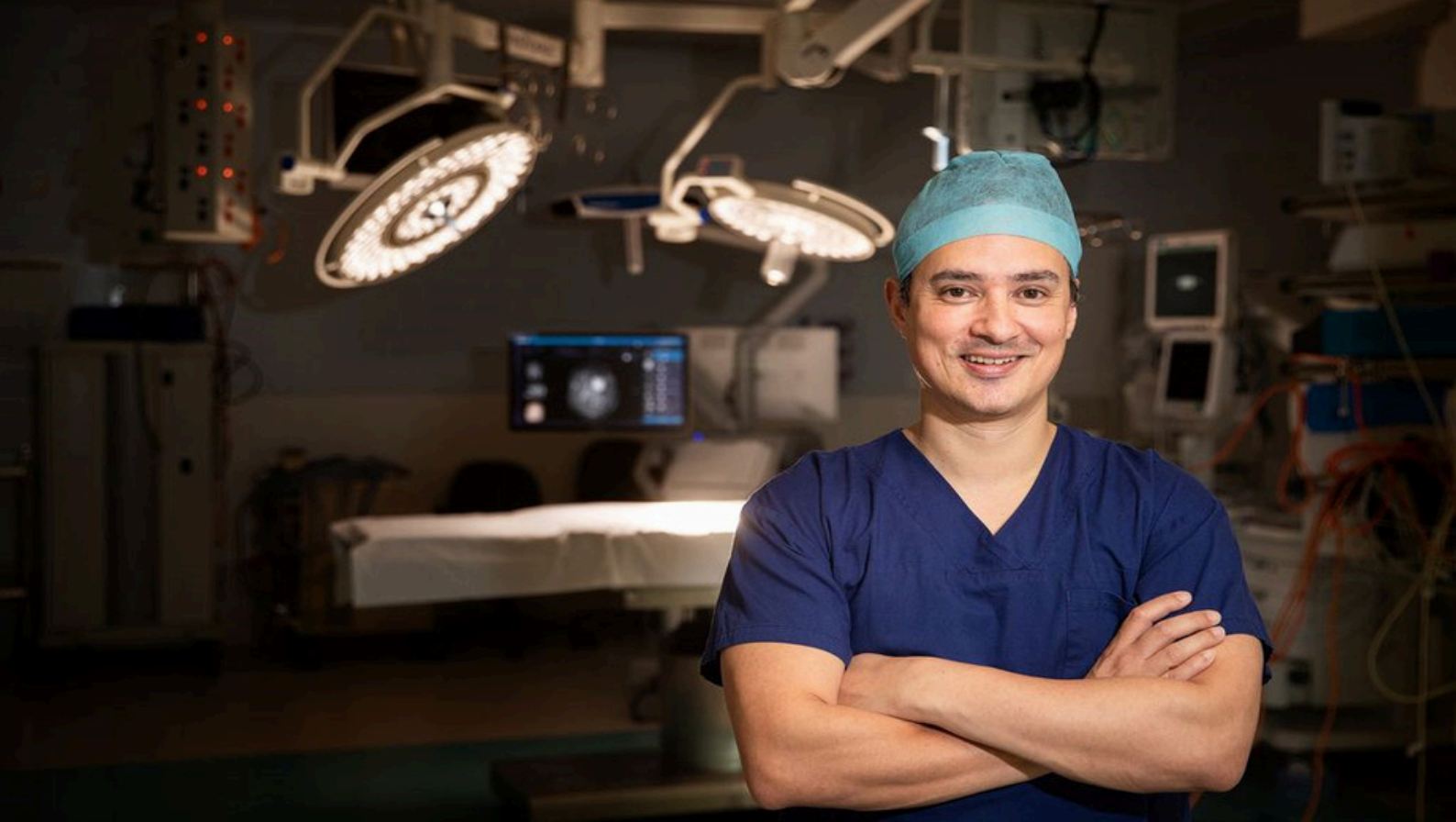
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Spotlight on: Eating Disorder Services at Cooinda

Eating disorders, including disordered eating, affect an estimated 16.3% of Australians. While often under-recognised, early intervention significantly improves outcomes. General Practitioners are uniquely placed to identify concerns and support access to evidence-based care.

Cooinda Mental Health Service at Buderim Private Hospital offers a comprehensive Eating Disorder Service for adults experiencing the full spectrum of eating disorders—anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating disorder, avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder (ARFID), and other specified feeding and eating disorders (OSFED).

We provide structured inpatient care, grounded in national treatment guidelines and delivered by an experienced team including a psychiatrist, psychologist, dietitian, occupational therapist, exercise physiologist, and dedicated nursing staff.

Our inpatient program supports individuals to achieve medical stabilisation and nutritional rehabilitation in a supportive environment. Participants attend daily eating disorder and mental health groups underpinned by cognitive behaviour therapy (CBT) and dialectical behaviour therapy (DBT).

Supportive meal therapy is provided at every meal and snack to promote renourishment and reduce distress, alongside planned social eating occasions to help generalise recovery skills to real-world settings. Discharge planning is completed in collaboration with each participant to support a smooth transition to outpatient care.

Outpatient psychiatric assessment is also available for individuals who may not require admission but would benefit from diagnostic clarification and interprofessional treatment planning in collaboration with their General Practitioner.

When to Refer

Consider referral when patients present with:

- Rapid or ongoing weight loss
- Preoccupation with food, weight, or shape
- Rigid food rules or avoidance of eating
- Unexplained dizziness, fatigue, or gastrointestinal symptoms
- Menstrual irregularities
- Compensatory behaviours (e.g. purging, excessive exercise).

Our team welcomes enquiries and the opportunity to discuss potential referrals. To make a referral or enquiry, please complete the contact form at buderimprivatehospital.com.au/our-services/cooinda-mental-health-service/contact-us



Dr Fionnuala Dunne

Psychiatrist
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Federal Budget 2025/2026 Highlights

Personal Income Tax

The changes to personal income tax rates for individual taxpayers will begin in the 2027 income year. The Government has proposed delivering tax cuts to individual taxpayers in the 2027 and 2028 income years, as illustrated in the table below, excluding the Medicare Levy.

Thresholds	2025 and 2026	2027	2028
\$0 - \$18,200	Tax-Free	Tax-Free	Tax-Free
\$18,201 - \$45,000	16%	15%	14%
\$45,001 - \$135,000	30%	30%	30%
\$135,001 - \$190,000	37%	37%	37%
\$190,001 and above	45%	45%	45%

Increased Medicare Levy Low-Income Thresholds

The Government will increase the low-income threshold amounts for the Medicare Levy and phase in ranges for single individuals, families, seniors, and pensioners starting from 1 July 2024, to provide cost-of-living relief as indicated in the table below. For each dependent child or student, the family income thresholds will rise from \$4,027 to \$4,216.

Category of Taxpayer	No Medicare Payable at or below	
	2024	2025
Single individual	\$26,000	\$27,222
Families not eligible for the SAPTO	\$43,846	\$45,907
Single individuals eligible for the SAPTO	\$41,089	\$43,020
Families eligible for the SAPTO	\$57,198	\$59,886

HELP To Buy Scheme Extended

The Government will provide an equity contribution of up to 40% to support eligible home buyers seeking to purchase a home with a lower deposit and reduced mortgage. Income caps will increase from \$90,000 to \$100,000 for individuals and from \$120,000 to \$160,000 for joint applicants and single parents.

Household and Small Business Energy Relief

The Government will extend the energy relief bill for eligible households and small businesses, providing two \$75 bill rebates applied directly to reduce electricity bills until December 31, 2025, in order to offer cost-of-living relief.

Restriction on Foreign Ownership of Housing

The Government's agenda to boost the supply of housing in Australia includes the following actions:

- Ban foreign persons, including temporary residents and foreign-owned companies, from purchasing established dwellings for two years from 1 April 2025, unless subject to an exception
- The ATO will receive \$5.7 million over four years from the 2026 income year to enforce the ban
- The ATO and Treasury will receive \$8.9 million over four years from 2026 for their audit program to target land banking to ensure vacant land is used for residential and commercial developments within a reasonable timeframe

Student Higher Education Loan Repayments

The Government will reduce all outstanding Higher Education Loan Program (HELP) and other student debts by 20%, subject to the passage of legislation. The minimum repayment threshold is proposed to increase from \$54,435 in 2025 to \$67,000 in 2026.

Childcare Subsidy

The Government is committed to establishing a universal early childhood education and care system in which every child is eligible for at least 3 days per week of subsidised access, replacing the activity test from January 2026.

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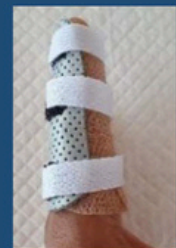
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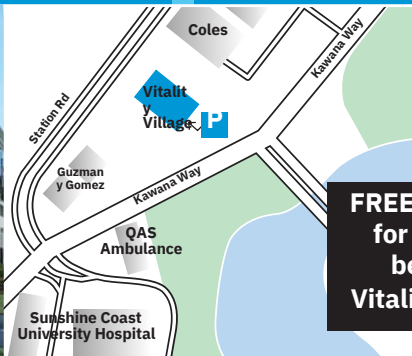
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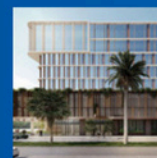
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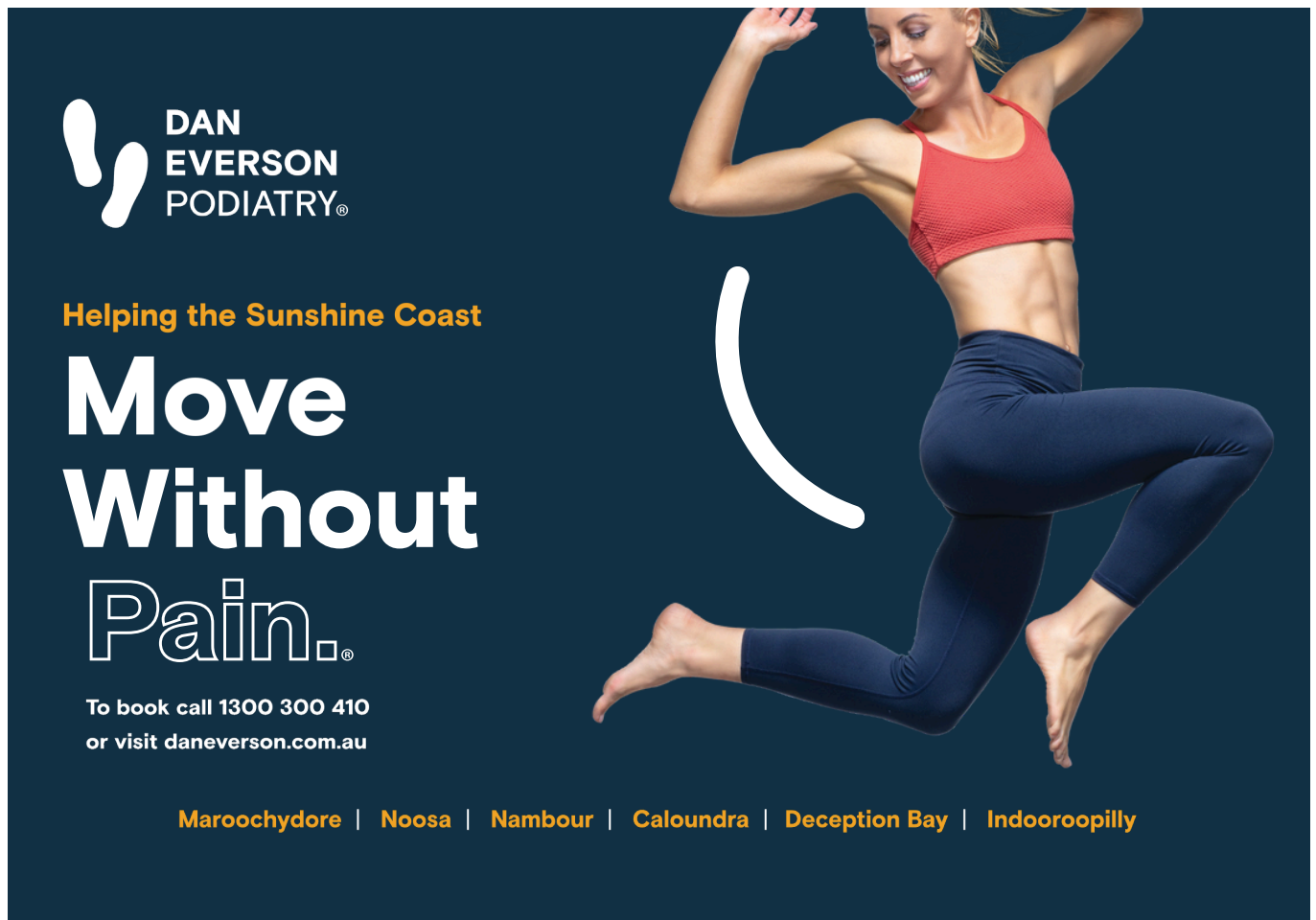
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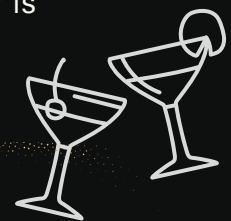
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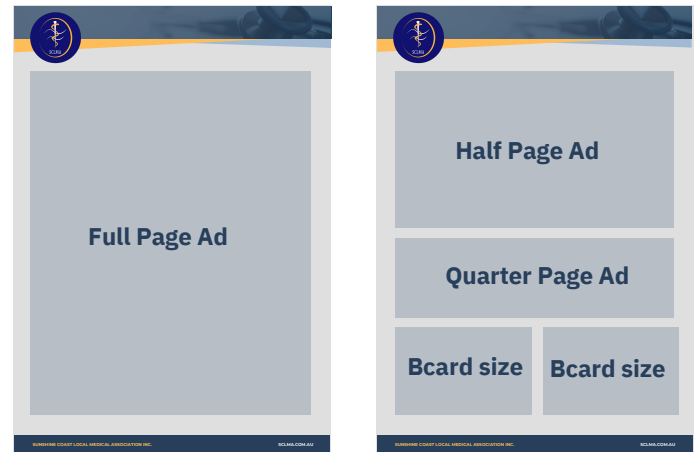
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Saturday 14 June 2025

About the event

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Dr Alana Harris (Event Chair)
MBBS FRACP FCSANZ
Cardiologist & Electrophysiologist



Dr Tau Boga
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- Heart failure - Guideline based management - **Dr Tau Boga**
- Lipid Management, CTCA & Calcium Scoring - **Dr Umesh Sinnya**
- Paediatric Cardiology - **Dr Ibtihalat Mohamad**
- When and How to Definitively Treat Atrial Fibrillation - **Dr Alana Harris**
- Angina with No Obstructive Coronary Arteries - **Dr Kunal Nagar**
- Interventional Cardiology - **Dr Amy Bailey**
- POTS - **Dr Alana Harris**

Details

When	Saturday, 14 June 2025
Where	Pier 33, Mooloolaba, Sunshine Coast
Time:	10:45 AM - 4:30PM

Program

10:45am	Arrival & Registration
11:00am	Welcome & Introduction - Dr Alana Harris
11:05am	Lipid Management/CAC/CTCA - Dr Umesh Sinnya
11:50am	Updates in Electrophysiology - Dr Alana Harris
12:30pm	Lunch
1:00pm	Round Table Discussion - All Speakers
3:00pm	Afternoon Tea
3:30pm	CPR Training - Delivered by Allens Training

Please scan the QR code to RSVP online or contact Samantha Taylor

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Sunshine Coast Annual Health Report July 31st 2025

DATE: July 31, 2025 - 7:00pm start

VENUE: Marooydore Surf Club Function Room
ADDRESS: 34-36 Alexandra Parade, Marooydore QLD 4558

The SCLMA invites all members to attend the Annual Health Report—an important opportunity to hear directly from leading health professionals across the Sunshine Coast.

The event will feature presentations from:

- Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service:
- Chief Executive, Executive Director of Medical Services, General Practice Liaison Officers
- Buderim Private Hospital: Chief Executive Officer
- Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital: Chief Executive Officer
- Country to Coast Primary Health Network: Speaker to be confirmed
- Griffith University Medical School: Speaker to be confirmed

Members are encouraged to submit questions in advance to admin@sclma.com.au to be addressed during the meeting.

We look forward to your participation in this key update on the state of health in our region.

