# ADEA Committees, Advisory Group and Special Interest Group

# **ADE Publication**

The ADE Publishing Team this year embarked on a journey of changes for the publications, not only in its content but also its format and the variety of articles and authors. Following a themed approach, four editions have been published which reflect the interests of our members:

ADE August: Diabetes in Pregnancy

• ADE November: Diabetes and Paediatrics

• ADE March: Diabetes and Nutrition

ADE June: Career Pathways

All editions are available on the ADEA website under Member pages: adea.com.au/?p=4425.

We provided a wider variety of articles from peer review to reflective practice, models of practice and case studies. The contents offered more practical advice and showcased projects being run around the country. This variety aligned well with feedback from members through the 2015 ADEA Membership Survey.

We reached out to more authors than ever and engaged more with health consumers to present to you information from many consumer perspectives. We also reviewed the visual aspect of the publication and gave it a clean layout to highlight the content better.

For the next two editions in late 2015, we will be putting together one issue themed 'Integrated Care' and the other on 'Person-centred Care'. We will also introduce new content on medication and diabetes as members requested.

The ADE Publishing Team appreciate feedback through the 2015 ADEA Membership Survey. We are facilitating another workshop titled 'Writing for a publication' to provide members with more guidance and support before writing articles for us. We have also received your topic suggestions and will endeavour to incorporate them in the future planning of the publication.

We acknowledge your feedback over the past few years and look forward to further comments to <a href="mailto:ade@adea.com.au">ade@adea.com.au</a>.

# The ADE Publishing Team

### **Useful links**

- About the ADE publications: adea.com.au/?p=66
- Submission process and deadlines: adea.com.au/?p=69
- Advertising in the ADE publication:
   adea.com.au/?p=71
- Subscribe to the ADE: adea.com.au/?p=72
- Read and download the ADE publications, for members only:

adea.com.au/?p=4425

# Course Accreditation Standards Of Practice Committee

# Key activities undertaken in 2014-15

Following a busy year in 2014 and the related seven course accreditations being completed, we have received the resignation of some long-standing CASP committee members (Jane Overland and Rhonda Griffiths). We are grateful to both for their long term commitment and contributions. These changes to membership have resulted in the need to consider broader CASP committee membership and the terms of reference for this committee. This will be discussed at the upcoming meeting scheduled to occur at ASM in August.

Two new course coordinators commenced in 2015 (Mayfield Education and Curtin University). There has been regular consultation with them as they settle into these new roles and become familiar with CASP system and their role requirements.

Regular consultation with Credentialling Committee members has occurred, to consider applications from various professional associations seeking Credentialling eligibility – Physiotherapists and Direct-entry Midwives in particular.

There has also been consultation around the consideration of overseas courses' equivalency, as a result of individuals seeking Credentialling based on overseas qualifications – courses from India and Ireland have been assessed.

# Planned activities for 2015-16

Developing a consistent approach to student placement strategies and paperwork is a project in progress. The committee aims to complete this by the end of the year, ready for the 2016 academic year and student intakes commencing. A subcommittee has been formed to steer this work, with representation from CASP committee members and Course Coordinators.

Review of the processes for assessing professional associations seeking eligibility for Credentialling, and for overseas courses is planned, recognising that improved transparency of process and documentation is needed in this area.

## Issues of concern

Ongoing surveillance is in place to support the three courses with accreditation issues to report on in November 2015, to work towards fulfilling their accreditation requirements: UTS, Flinders University and Curtin University.

> Karen Crawford Chair

## **Useful links**

 Accredited post graduate certificates in diabetes:

adea.com.au/?p=114

Information for students:
 adea.com.au/?p=12355419

# Clinical Practice Committee

# Key activities undertaken in 2014-15

The CPC has been busy supporting the review and update of several key ADEA publications and resources. These include:

- The Clinical Guiding Principles for Sick Day Management of Adults with Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes technical document for health professionals, largely completed by the outgoing CPC.
- The Consumer resources Sick Day Management of Adults with Type 1 Diabetes and Sick Day Management of Adults with Type 2 diabetes, developed in conjunction with the technical document.
- The Role and Scope of Practice for Credentialled Diabetes Educators in Australia.
- The ADEA Position Statement: Use of Blood Glucose Meters.
- The Guidelines for the Management and Care of Diabetes in the Elderly.
- The e-learning courses: Diabetes in Aged Care: Diabetes Educators, Diabetes in Aged Care: Nurses and Diabetes in Aged Care: Aged Care Workers – these are available through the ADEA Online Learning Management System at a discounted fee for ADEA members.
- Eye Health E-Learning Module for Diabetes Educators on Eye Health (developed in conjunction with Optometry Australia)

# Planned activities for 2015-16

Future plans include review of the following documents:

- Clinical Recommendations Subcutaneous Injection Technique
- National Standards of Practice for Diabetes Education Programs
- National Core Competencies for Credentialled Diabetes Educators
- National Standards of Practice for Credentialled Diabetes Educators

Kate Marsh Chair

#### Useful links

- A comprehensive list of ADEA publications:
   adea.com.au/?p=95
- ADEA e-learning courses:
   learning.adea.com.au
- Position statements for health professionals:
   adea.com.au/?p=4504

# **Credentialling Committee**

# Key activities undertaken in 2014-15

The key activity undertaken this year has been the introduction of the online system for credentialling and recredentialling. As part of this new system we have also implemented annual submission of recredentialling activity in line with APHRA requirements for professional development, and as recommended in Trisha Dunning's review of the process undertaken in 2011. Despite the enormous amount of preparation undertaken by National Office and the Credentialling Committee for this change, it has not been without its problems and I would like to extend a huge amount of thanks to Kerry Oddy and Rachel McKeown for their work on this above and beyond the call of duty.

Despite the difficulties which have been encountered, we as a committee believe the process will play an integral part in assisting all of us in developing our skills as reflective practitioners, and to help us focus on our learning needs as diabetes educators, thus allowing us to ensure we are all working within the guidelines of the CDE role.

The second activity we have addressed this year is to put in place access to online learning modules on mentoring for those intending to become credentialled. Again, the goal here is to provide mentees with clearer information around their role in the mandatory mentoring partnership required for becoming credentialled. Those who might be considering becoming a mentor can also undertake these modules which are accessible on the website, and the process will be relaunched at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

# Planned activities for 2015-16

The next phase of the process will be to evaluate the changes made to the system, with the date and format of the proposed evaluation yet to be set.

Jan Alford Chair

#### **Useful links**

- Information for preparing your credentialling application:
  - http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/preparing-your-application/
  - » Initial credentialling and instructions: http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/ preparing-your-application/initialcredentialling-2015/
  - » Recredentialling and instructions: http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/ preparing-your-application/ recredentialling-2015/
- Mentoring program:
  - http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/ mentoring-program/
  - » Online mentoring program, for members only:
    - http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/mentoring-program/online-mentoring-program/
  - » Mentoring manual:
    <a href="http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/mentoring-program/mentoring-manual/">http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/mentoring-program/mentoring-manual/</a>
  - » Mentoring register:
    <a href="http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/mentoring-program/mentor-register/">http://www.adea.com.au/credentialling/mentoring-program/mentor-register/</a>
- Benefits of Credentialled Diabetes Educators to people with diabetes and Australia: http://www.adea.com.au/about-us/research/ diabetes-education-offers-chance-to-save-livesand-3-9-billion/

# Private Practice Special Interest Group

# Key activities undertaken in 2014-15

This year marked the introduction of a National Private Practice Network. A representative from each ADEA Branch met via teleconference with the Convenor of the PPSIG to provide representative feedback and discussion about issues in private practice.

## Some key activities:

- Regular teleconferences and email communication with the ADEA CEO
- PPSIG Wikispaces Forum maintained as a communication channel and information resource for members
- Representation of issues related to private practice by the Convenor to the ADEA CEO and staff
- A presentation provided via teleconference to the NSW Branch on the role of the PPSIG network
- The annual face-to-face meeting at the ADS-ADEA Annual Scientific Meeting in Melbourne (2014) attracted approximately 100 participants

## Planned activities for 2015-16

## Future plans include:

- Recruiting a member from each ADEA Branch to participate in the Private Practice Network
- Providing each ADEA Branch with a local Private Practice Network
- Member survey to capture a profile of diabetes education in private practice
- Face-to-face meeting of the PPSIG at the ADS-ADEA Annual Scientific Meeting in Adelaide 2015

# Issues of concern

- Currently each Branch is not represented on the PPSIG Network
- Ongoing work required to provide Branch based support on private practice related issues
- Medicare rebates frozen
- Lack of consistency in private health insurance rebates
- Currently there is a lack of information on CDEs in private practice, their profile and needs.

# Jayne Lehmann Convenor

#### Useful links

- Private practice special interest group:
   http://www.adea.com.au/about-us/our-people/committees-working-groups-and-special-interest-group/private-practice-special-interest-group/
- ADEA PPSIG Wikispaces:
   <a href="http://adeappsig.wikispaces.com/">http://adeappsig.wikispaces.com/</a>