



Dear Fellow,

RE: Continuing Professional Development

As stipulated by the Medical Board of Australia, from 1st July 2010 medical practitioners who are engaged in any form of medical practice in Australia must be participating in a continuing professional development program that is relevant to their scope of practice. Fellows of medical colleges accredited by the AMC will be fulfilling the requirements if they participate in their Colleges' program.

The College of Intensive Care currently offers Fellows and non-Fellows a Maintenance of Professional Standards (MOPS) program. For successful completion participants must obtain 25 Quality Assurance (QA) points and 50 Continuing Medical Education (CME) or Teaching, Training and Research (TTR) points every year. Currently the MOPS cycle is January to December, with all diaries of the previous year due by February. Please note that you will be considered registered and active with the program as soon as you have entered an activity in the diary, however a certificate of participation will only be issued to participants if they meet the minimum criteria for successful completion.

For access to the online diary and a list of activities accredited for MOPS points, you can visit the College website and click on Professional Development. A detailed online MOPS manual is also available for further information, which can be downloaded and printed if needed.

A small number of Fellows (5% per year), will be randomly audited and required to provide proof of activity up to the minimum number of points required for successful completion of the audited cycle.

It should be noted that starting from July 2011, we will be transitioning to a CPD Program as required by the AMC, and at this time Fellows can expect significant changes to the current program. We will be consulting Fellows during the process and communicating regular updates.

For further information or questions, please contact the CICM Office.