

# Registrar Update

**11 March 2009**

## **RLO meeting/Breathing New Life Conference, March 2009**

The Registrar Liaison Officer (RLO) annual national meeting will take place next Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 March 2009 at the Brassey Hotel, Canberra. The meeting agenda will include orientation for new RLOs; college updates; teaching skills, supporting IMGs; and a presentation from guest speaker Nicole Curtis, National ADF Program Manager. For more information please contact [Tatiana Romanovsky](#).

The GPRA/GPSN Breathing New Life (BNL) Conference will take place on Wednesday 18 March at Parliament House, Canberra. The theme for this year's BNL Conference is "Innovations in General Practice". A new initiative titled 'GP Compass' will be jointly launched by Health Minister, Nicola Roxon MP and GPET Chair, Assoc/Prof Simon Willcock. The aim of GP Compass is to expose pre-vocational hospital doctors to the benefits of a career in general practice. For more information on the BNL Conference go to <http://www.gpra.org.au/BNL.php>.

## **Registrar Research Workshop, 18 – 20 June - Hobart**

Have you wondered what research or academic general practice is all about? Come and find out at the Registrar Research Workshop between the 18 and 20 June, in Hobart. This is a three day workshop with 25 fully funded places for registrars interested in finding out more about academic general practice and primary health care research. There will be three days of presentations by world class researchers and useful practical sessions to give you an introduction and grounding in the area. The workshop may even excite you to do an academic term as part of your GP training. Applications will be via a competitive process to be announced soon. Keep an eye on the AGPT website for more information or contact the RRADO [Emily Farrell](#) or Senior Program Officer, [Tatiana Romanovsky](#).

## **Academic Post applications close 30 April**

Applications for academic posts starting in July/August 2009 are now open. The closing date for applications is Thursday 30 April 2009. Academic posts are undertaken for a period of six months (full-time equivalent) as an 'extended skills' post or as optional extra training. Registrars will have the opportunity to develop skills in research, teaching, project work and critical evaluation of research relevant to the discipline of general practice. If you're interested in undertaking an academic post check out the [Academic Training](#) page on the AGPT website or contact [Dr Emily Farrell](#), RRADO.

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