Wednesday October 18th



Codeine Re-Scheduling & Naloxone Training for Pharmacists

Naloxone saves lives!

In 2014, <u>384</u> Victorian's died from drug overdose, of which <u>186</u> involved opioid analgesics and <u>135</u> involved heroin.¹ Naloxone is a life-saving medicine used for the treatment of opioid overdose, with minimal side-effects and no potential for abuse.²

On 1 February 2016, Naloxone was down-scheduled from Prescription Only (Schedule 4) to Pharmacists Only (Schedule 3) for use by peers, family members or carers as a first aid response to opioid overdose.

1. Coroners Court of Victoria 2014; 2. COPE-Pennington Institute

Presenters

David McConville – Pharmacist experienced in delivering pharmacotherapy services since 1995, Gunn & McConville, Balwyn North.

Christine Tindal – Mobile Drug Safety Worker, Carrington Health, Box Hill.

Overview

This workshop will open with an overview of the rescheduling of over-the-counter- codeine with a brief introduction of the new Medication Support & Recovery Service (MSRS). The evening will then provide information on Naloxone, including application, administration and availability, as well as resources and supports available.

Learning outcomes

This session will cover a wide range of issues including:

- Codeine rescheduling and responding to client requests
- Overview of Naloxone and the available formulations
- How to recognise and respond to an opioid overdose
- When and to whom should Naloxone be sold?
- What resources and supports are available?

For further details please contact:

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Event Details

Date: Wednesday, October 18th 2017

- Venue: Eastern Melbourne PHN 18-20 Prospect St Box Hill, VIC 3218
- Time: 7pm 8:30pm

Registration and light catering from 6:30pm

Parking:Street parking available

- **RSVP:** 12 October 2017
- **Cost:** No fee, light catering provided

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