



Invitation

Dear Colleagues,

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP), the Internal Medicine Society of Australia and New Zealand, and the International Society of Internal Medicine are pleased to invite you to attend the World Congress of Internal Medicine 2010, to be held in Melbourne, Australia on 20-25 March 2010. The Congress will be held in conjunction with the College's annual multi-disciplinary meeting, Physicians Week 2010.

The Congress will appeal to anyone who has an interest in the broad field of general internal medicine and in specialised internal medicine.

The broad theme of the Congress is World Medicine for the Next Decade: 2010-2020. Current and future global health issues will be explored through various keynote plenary and concurrent sessions. In addition, we want the Congress to celebrate the diversity of the College and its Divisions, Faculties and Chapters.

There will also be a 3-day paediatrics and child health program that will run concurrently with the WCIM 2010 program. The theme of the Paediatrics & Child

Health Annual Meeting is Adolescent Medicine: From One Generation to the Next.

I hope you will take this opportunity to network with your national and international peers, and keep abreast of the latest developments in general internal medicine. The program will offer a superb opportunity for physicians and medical specialists to attend expert updates on speciality areas outside their own area of practice.

Lastly, I hope that you will find the time to incorporate a pre- or post-conference tour of Australia and New Zealand.

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President, International Society of Internal Medicine
Chair, WCIM 2010 Organising Committee

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PHYSICIANS WEEK

20 - 25 MARCH 2010
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

**Melbourne Convention
and Exhibition Centre**
Melbourne, Victoria,
Australia

www.wcim2010.com.au

Congress Program

The Congress program will feature keynote plenary and concurrent sessions that will showcase excellence in Australasian medicine and medical science. Several sub-themes will run throughout the program including science, research and innovation, health policy, clinical medicine, young people and health, and medical education.

There will also be an exciting Congress social program, which will include the Welcome Reception and the Gala Dinner. Other sectional dinners will be held throughout the Congress week.

Keynote Speakers

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- The Governor of Victoria, Professor David de Kretser AC FRACP
- The Victorian Minister for Health, The Hon. Daniel Andrews MP
- Nobel Laureate Professor Barry Marshall AC FRACP
- Priscilla Kincaid-Smith Orator, Professor Ian Reid FRACP
- Cottrell Lecturer, Professor Rebecca Mason

RACP Orations and Lectures

- Ferguson-Glass Orator, Dr John Osman
- Redfern Orator, Professor Richard Smith
- Burniston Orator, Professor Richard Jones FRACP FAFRM
- Norington Lecturer, Dr Natasha Lannin PhD

Paediatrics and Child Health

- Dr Russell Viner FRACP
- Howard Williams Orator, Professor Don Robertson FRACP

Please refer to the Congress website for session details and a full list of program contributors.

Key Dates for Your Diary

Abstract Submission Deadline Extended	13 November 2009
Early Bird Registration Closes	30 November 2009
WCIM 2010 in conjunction with RACP Physicians Week 2010	20-25 March 2010

Hosts



Host City – Melbourne, Australia

Melbourne, Australia's second-largest city and capital of the state of Victoria, prides itself on being a sophisticated international city. It is a spectacular combination of old and new architecture, elegant streetscapes, ethnic communities and beautiful parks and gardens. The new Melbourne Convention Centre is a world class, six-star rated convention centre and will be the largest combined convention centre and exhibition facility in Australia. We invite you to come and experience this truly wonderful city.

Tours and Social Program

An exciting tour and social program is being developed to give delegates and their partners an opportunity to take advantage of the unique and varied attractions available in Melbourne, Australia and New Zealand.

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Expressions of Interest

If you are interested in attending WCIM 2010 Melbourne and would like further information, please complete the online 'Expression of Interest' form at www.wcim2010.com.au or contact the Congress Managers:

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