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Welcome

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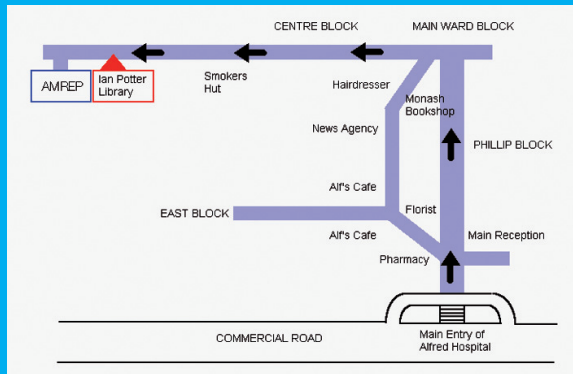
HAVE YOU HEARD A GREAT PRESENTER
RECENTLY?

IS THERE A CURRENT TOPIC YOU BELIEVE
NEEDS TO BE PRESENTED?

ARE YOU A PRESENTER WITH A TOPIC
WHICH WILL BENEFIT THE
BBV/STI SECTOR?

IF SO, EMAIL US WITH YOUR SUGGESTION
BY APRIL 15th
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How to find the AMREP Rooms



Education & Resource Centre (ERC)

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Opening Hours
Tuesday & Thursday
9:30am to 4:30pm



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All you need to know

The Education & Resource Centre offers a free and confidential service for people seeking information about HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs).

Who is the service for?

- General Public
- People living with or affected by HIV, Hepatitis or an STI
- General Practitioners
- Health Professionals
- Community Agencies
- Schools and Tertiary Institutions
- Students

What does the service include?

- Information & Resources
 - Specialist library
 - Supply of brochures and posters
- Website
- Health education sessions
- Drop-in Centre
- Referral to testing, treatment & support services
- Plain language fact sheets

NEW Podcast education

Education & Training Program

February to June

2012

to be held at

AMREP Education Centre
Ground Floor
Alfred Hospital
Commercial Road, Prahran

Bookings are essential for
ALL sessions via email:
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Rapid HIV Testing

Tuesday 6 March 9:30am to 12:00pm

Rapid testing for HIV is available in many countries around the world, recently Australia has released new HIV testing guidelines which outline a role for HIV rapid testing in Australia. This has the potential to change the way HIV testing is conducted over time and improve the rates of testing. Dr Mark Stooze Head of the HIV/BBV Research Program in the Centre for Population Health at the Burnet Institute along with Alisa Pedrana PhD Scholar, will describe alternative models of HIV testing, including community-based and rapid testing for HIV that operate internationally and locally. They will provide an overview of evaluation outcomes of these services, including testing outcomes, service provider and consumer acceptability. This session will also include a panel discussion covering community and health care provider experiences/input. FREE Registration.

Sexual History Taking

Wednesday 11 April 9:30am to 11:00am

This session is designed to aid in setting the scene for discussing with a client their sexual history. For some health/community workers new to the sector this can be confronting and some clients can be uncomfortable discussing such a personal topic. Good interviewing techniques can provide a foundation to undertake such an interview confidently and ensure you and your client are at ease with the topic and content that arises. Such skills will assist in having a thorough sexual history on which future care, education, prevention and harm reduction can be implemented. This session would suit nurses and other professionals who discuss sexual history with clients within the BBV/STI field. FREE Registration.

Drug and Alcohol Misuse and BBV Treatment and Care Seminar

Wednesday 20 June 9:30am to 12:00pm

This session will provide an understanding of the issues surrounding engagement of clients with BBV's in their care where the use of drugs and/alcohol need to be considered. Dr Benny Monheit will present current medical and psychosocial implications of treating clients with HIV or Hepatitis C/B treatment who are concurrently undergoing treatment for their drug and alcohol use. A range of psychosocial issues experienced by this group and challenges for health care providers in maintaining engagement and access to care will be covered. A panel discussion of health/community workers will cover the challenges of working in this area, best practice, interventions and strategies that have been successful with clients and how they measure success/outcomes. This session would suit health professionals and community workers working within the BBV/STI field. FREE Registration.

Motivational Interviewing Practice Workshop – 2 Day

Thursday 28 and Friday 29 June 9:00am to 5:00pm

This 2 day practicum will provide an understanding of the principals of Motivational Interviewing (MI) an approach which assists clients to make positive behaviour changes. This program focuses on offering the opportunity to learn, with a focus on the practice of the core skills of technique. The program is suitable for health professionals and community workers and is aimed primarily at those working in the HIV/AIDS sector. No previous knowledge of MI is required although a level of counselling experience will be advantageous. FREE Registration.

'Getting to Know'

SERIES:

Getting to Know Sexually Transmissible Infections (STIs)

LEVEL ○
Introductory

Wednesday 15 February 9:30am to 12:30pm

An introduction to Sexually Transmissible Infections (STI's) including current epidemiology, clinical signs, modes of transmission and available treatments. This session will also examine strategies for talking about sexual health with clients and sexual health promotion initiatives. An essential workshop for anyone who wants to gain a basic understanding of STI's for their professional role. FREE Registration.

Getting to Know HIV/AIDS

LEVEL ○
Introductory

Wednesday 9 May 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Participants will be provided with a comprehensive introduction to HIV/AIDS including epidemiology, transmission, testing, stages of infection, current treatments and related social issues. This session will include a mix of presentations and case studies providing a clinical overview. Suitable for those who may want to gain an introductory knowledge of HIV/AIDS as well as those who may have recently commenced working in the area. FREE Registration.

The ERC would like to thank the following people for their valuable contribution to the 2011 training calendar:

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