

# CPD Newsletter

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## Welcome to your December Newsletter

In the latest edition of your CPD newsletter we are looking at:

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## The year in review

The Professional Standards team has had a busy year engaging with our colleagues.

The year started, with the CPD team attending the 15th Asia Oceania ORL\_HNS Congress in Brisbane, RACS ASC in Adelaide, GSA and ANZSVS in Queensland. While travelling to the conferences, the team has taken the opportunity to work in our State and Territory offices, which has led to higher engagement and your feedback is pivotal in delivering a quality program to you.

The States and Territories have run some great events on topics such as Women in Leadership, eMobility Symposium, Preparation for Practice and the Tri State Webinars.

This year we also have seen the commencement of Renewal of Endoscopist Skills and Training (REST) program. The REST program has been implemented as a pilot colonoscopy peer support program in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand

## Completing your 2023 CPD

As the year draws to an end, its time to start thinking about entering your CPD activities for 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. Log in to CPD Online or download the CPD App to complete your requirements.

Your CPD activities are due no later than 28 February 2024.

If you have been experiencing hardship, please contact the team to discuss an exemption.

If you have been selected for verification - Don't stress! The team have developed a document on what supporting documentation you can upload to your activities. You can find this on the [website](#).

Chloe and Kate can be contacted on +61 3 9249 1282 or at [cpd.college@surgeons.org](mailto:cpd.college@surgeons.org) and are available Monday to Friday from 8am-6pm (ADST)



### CPD Homes - what's it all about?

You will have heard a lot of talk regarding CPD Homes lately - What does this mean for you?

RACS is an approved CPD Home and nothing changes for you as a Fellow of the College.

The RACS CPD framework meets the requirements set out by the Medical Board of Australia.

Did you know that RACS CPD program is now available to PG3+ and surgically affiliated doctors?

RACS has launched its [CPD program](#) for doctor PGY3+ and surgically affiliated doctors.

If you know a colleague, who is looking for a CPD Home, please direct them to the CPD team for more information.

## Calendar of Events 2024

The team is currently working with the STANZ's and other teams to develop a College wide calendar of events, including workshops, symposiums, conference and education activities that all can be found in one place.

Keep your eye out for further updates in the CPD newsletters next year.

## Women in Surgery - Microlearning Activity

RACS has developed a new microlearning activity from a session from 2023 RACS Annual Scientific Congress. Associate Professor Susan Neuhaus presents the topic "No Profession for a Lady: The Pioneering Women Surgeons of Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand.

The activity is available for Fellows, Trainees and Specialist International Medical Graduates. The activity takes 30 to 45 minutes to complete and you gives you 1 CPD point.

More information and access to the activity is available through the [website](#)

## Help and Support

If you have any questions about CPD requirements or need assistance completing your CPD requirements, please reach out to Chloe Santin or Kate Burgess for assistance.

If there is a topic you would like covered in an upcoming newsletter, please let us know.

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Please note that the office will be closed from 5pm Friday 22nd December and will reopen 8am Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

Kind regards

**Professor Chris Pyke**  
Chair, Professional Standard



*Happy Holidays and all the best to you in the year to come!*

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