

# FCLMA newsletter



Welcome to the next edition of the FCLMA newsletter. As we move into the cooler months, it's time to pull out the UGG boots and jumpers for a couple of nights.

On behalf of the FCLMA I would like to thank Seqirus for sponsoring our last event, and Dr Niall Conroy for giving a brief update on COVID-19.

AMA Queensland is currently advocating for doctors and the community on:

- Aged care
- Palliative care
- Task substitution
- Continued Telehealth MBS rebates
- Roll out of Covid-19 vaccination
- Voluntary assisted dying

<https://qld.ama.com.au/index.php/news/CEO-President-Update-April>

I'll see you all at our next events. Please RSVP to [frasercoastlma@gmail.com](mailto:frasercoastlma@gmail.com) with any dietary requirements.

**Date:** Tuesday June 15th – 6:30pm (RSVP by June 9th)

**Location:** Beach House Hotel, Scarness 4655



Dr Nick Yim  
FCLMA President

Your continued interest and support of Fraser Coast LMA on medical issues, medical networking, fellowship, and your financial support is much appreciated. Please continue your support by tax deductible membership.

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# Other Council Members



## UQ – Dr Ritta Partanen

### A small update from UQ Rural Clinical School

Our UQ medical students are enjoying their learning and living experiences across the Fraser Coast.

If you have a student on your ward or in your practice, they may ask you to observe them taking a history, doing a physical examination or a clinical procedure. These tasks are part of their 'Workplace Learning Portfolio' course and are an opportunity for students to be observed and to get feedback, so that they can improve these important clinical skills. They are not a 'tick-box' exercise, they are a learning exercise and students really value timely, focused feedback. So next time a student asks you to observe them, remember it is about helping them to improve and to learn from you, so please take the 10 minutes or so to stop, watch and give feedback. Effective feedback needs to be focused – give them at least one thing to work on next time.

Thanks for your ongoing support and commitment to teaching the next generation of doctors.



## WBHHS Public Health Unit – Dr Niall Conroy

The Wide Bay Public Health Unit would like to thank colleagues across the region for your support this year. The pandemic isn't over, and the coming months will throw up more challenges, so I would encourage everyone to remain vigilant and maintain a low threshold for testing.

Also of note, we've seen lots of gastroenteritis this year. The public health unit spends a great deal of time investigating and managing outbreaks and clusters of diarrhoeal disease. As always, it's very helpful for us if patients can have a stool sent to the lab when they're unwell. I appreciate that's not always practical. However, it's particularly useful if the patient lives in residential care or has recently eaten out. Knowing the causative organism helps us to link patients in an outbreak and to track down infective sources.

Feel free to contact me anytime if you have a patient that you'd like to discuss.



## St Stephen's Hospital Update As at Monday 24 May 2021

Our systems outage is continuing. While there is no comprehensive resolution timeline yet, key systems are progressively coming online securely. We are communicating with our staff regularly and thank you for your support as we navigate through this incident.

**Katrina Ryan**

General Manager St Stephen's Private Hospital



## Who wants to save tax?

As we approach the end of the financial year, our focus turns to tax planning to improve tax outcomes for our financial planning clients. Discussions may be centred around:

- Maximising concessional contributions to superannuation (including research of unused amounts in previous years)
- Claiming investment related expenses
- Consideration of tax effective ownership structures
- Claiming income protection premiums
- Prepaying deductible interest
- Managing capital gains

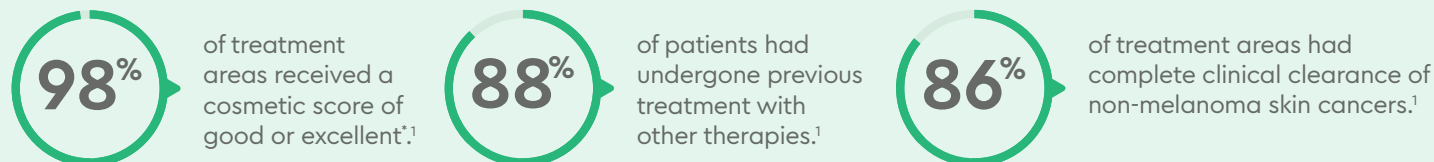
In addition, our Accountants are busy meeting with business owners to keep them up-to-date with the constantly changing small business tax legislation. For example, communicating the new incentives introduced as part of the Covid-19 package for small business.

Typically, there is some urgency to ensure that necessary transactions are completed prior to June 30 to lock in the benefits for the 2020/21 year.

Are you taking advantage of all available opportunities to save tax?

To learn more about the Advice Centre services, please contact **Justin Shipp, Shane Bradbury or Daniel Hunt on 1300272328**. Justin, Shane and Daniel are Authorised Representatives of Alliance Wealth Pty Ltd, AFSL 449221.

## Outcomes 12 months after radiation therapy treatment:



Scalp



Before treatment



After treatment (3 months)

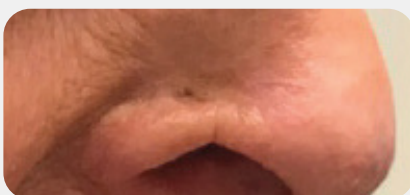


After treatment (12 months)

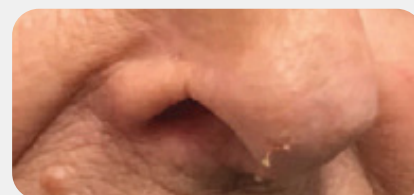
Nose



Before treatment



After treatment (3 months)



After treatment (12 months)

Arm



Before treatment



After treatment (3 months)



After treatment (12 months)

Individual patient results may vary  
Patients may experience skin irritation and other side effects

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\* Cosmetic outcomes measured using Lovett et al scoring tool.<sup>2</sup>

1. GenesisCare data on file. 2. Lovett et al, 1990, Int J Radiat Onc Biol Phys, 19(2):235-42.