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POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL INSTITUTE

DEMENTIA MATTERS:

A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO ASSESSMENT AND CARE FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA
IN THE COMMUNITY FOR THE NURSE

Course Content

Currently there is no cure for dementia but there are strategies that can assist people living with dementia maintain independence and quality of life for as long as possible. However, recognition and management of dementia and potential dementia is sub-optimal in primary care leading to poor health and social well-being outcomes for people living with dementia and their carer(s). As the prevalence of dementia increases primary care nurses will see more people living with dementia in their daily practice. Nurses have an opportunity to build on their trusted relationships with patients to break down stigma, fear and the common perception that nothing can be done for dementia. Nurses have an important role in meeting the increasing demand for good dementia care in primary care and this workshop provides the knowledge, skills and confidence to fulfil this role.

This session aims to increase nurse knowledge, skills and confidence in:

- ✚ Understanding dementia and different presentations
- ✚ Discussing brain health promotion and dementia risk reduction
- ✚ Exploring the impact of cognitive change on function
- ✚ Building cognitively aware care plans
- ✚ Caring for people with changed behaviours
- ✚ Having conversations about advance care planning



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Course Details

Suitable for:	Nurses, Primary Health Care Practitioners, including GP's
Meeting Date:	30 August 2025
Presenters:	<p>CAROLINE GIBSON, is an early-career clinician researcher and an expert on the role of the general practice nurse in dementia care, she is completing her PhD at the University of Newcastle on this topic. Her research has informed the development of national dementia training for general practice nurses. Caroline is an invited member of federal Department of Health Dementia Expert Reference Group (2021- current). She has experience as a general practice nurse, district nurse, complex care coordinator and aged care assessor in the community.</p> <p>PROFESSOR DIMITY POND, is a clinical professor with the Wicking Dementia Research and Education Centre, University of Tasmania. She conducts research in the area of mental health and particularly dementia, focusing mainly on GP identification and management of this. She has secured over \$30 million in research funds and has published over 150 papers in peer reviewed journals. Dimity also works as a GP in Berowra.</p>
Time:	8.30 am registration, 9.00 am – 12.15 pm meeting
Venue:	The Council Room, University of Newcastle, Callaghan
Live Streaming:	Live Streaming Zoom link will be emailed on Friday 29 August
Cost:	Free for HPMI Members \$88 (GST inclusive) non members *attending or **live streaming Payment is required to confirm registration CLICK HERE TO PAY ONLINE
RSVP:	Tuesday 26 August 2025
Refund Policy:	*Refunds for face-to-face registration will not be issued after 22 August 2025 **No refunds will be considered for live streaming and recording (if a recording is available)



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Registration Details

Title:	
Given Name:	
Surname:	
Profession:	<input type="checkbox"/> General Practice Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Aged Care Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Community Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse in a Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Nurse Consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify
Surgery Address:	
Email Address:	
Mobile Phone: <small>Required for meeting notification only</small>	
I will be:	<input type="checkbox"/> Attending venue, The Council Room, University of Newcastle, Callaghan <input type="checkbox"/> Live streaming Zoom link will be emailed on Friday 29 August
Scan to Register:	

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