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## AIMGA Newsletter- May 2009

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It is a great pleasure to be contributing to the second newsletter for 2009 for the Australian Indian Medical Graduates Association.

### 1. Meeting with NSW Health Minister Della Bosca



AIMGA Team met the NSW Health Minister Mr John Della Bosca on 16 May 2009 and engaged in general discussions about issues within the Minister's portfolio.

### 2. Meeting with NSW Medical Board

Dr Rao and Dr Chaturvedi met with the NSW Medical Board on 5th May 2009 and discussed the role of AIMGA and the national registration system commences next year. For further information, please contact Dr Rao or Dr Chaturvedi.

### 3. Annual General Meeting

The Committee has been eagerly planning the AGM for 2009. The venue has not yet been confirmed, but once settled, will be posted on the website and reported in the next newsletter.

**The AIMGA annual dinner will be held on 14 November 2009, so please keep that date free!**

### 4. CME meetings

Congratulations to AIMGA for achieving accreditation from the RACGP. AIMGA is now a QA/CPD



service provider, thanks to the hard work of Dr Nagamma and her support staff, as well as Mr Onkaraswamy. As a result of this development, AIMGA has increased its credentials and attendees are eligible for 2 CME points for every AIMGA meeting and 40 CME points per module. In July 2009, Dr Orekondy, Dr Nagamma, and Dr Srinivasa and Dr N.C.Patel have organised a full day CME module on the subject of using the ophthalmoscope in relation to various eye disorders. Attendees will be eligible for 40 CME points. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. The date is fixed 5<sup>th</sup> July. Interested members can contact CME committee.

AIMGA has arranged for members to host a health education session for screening on Chandana TV. All members who are interested please contact Dr NC Patel.

### **5. AIMGA logo**

The Committee has decided to update the logo, in accordance with the change of name from OAMGA to AIMGA. All suggestions of AIMGA members are welcome. Please contact Dr Sawrikar, Dr NC Patel or Dr Sundar to discuss the design of the logo.

### **6. Mother's Day Classic 2009**



On 10 May 2009, AIMGA once again participated in the annual Mother's Day Classic, at Parramatta Park. All Committee members answered one question about breast cancer, for the benefit of Chandana TV viewers. In doing this, participants hoped to educate the community about breast cancer and, in particular, to increase their understanding of preventative measures, follow up and psychological aspects of breast cancer. This can be watched on channel 31 on Sundays from 1:00 to 1:30pm. This was a thoroughly enjoyable and worthwhile event, which AIMGA is proud to participate in.

### **7. United India Australia Fair**



The UIA Fair will be held on 9 August 2009. AIMGA participates in this event annually. We generally provide free health check ups to festival goers in relation to diabetes, obesity, osteoporosis and macular degeneration. All members are encouraged to volunteer for at least 2 hours on the day. In return, entry to the Fair is free and it is a colourful and unforgettable cultural experience for the whole family.

### **8. Next overseas trip**

The next overseas trip for AIMGA members will be announced in June 2009.

In conclusion, AIMGA has been increasingly active and productive. New ideas, suggestions for improvement and, of course, new members are always welcome.

**With Best Regards,  
The AIMGA News letter Editorial Committee  
Dr Sundar, Dr Pradnya Dugal and Dr Malti Thakkar.**