

Victorian General Practice Issues Group (GPIG)

Overview

The Victorian General Practice Issues Group (GPIG) is composed of Executive Officers and GP representatives from general practice stakeholder groups across Victoria. Membership of the GPIG includes senior representatives from:

- General Practice Victoria (Chair)
- AMA Victoria
- Rural Workforce Agency Victoria
- The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
- The Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine
- The Rural Doctors Association Victoria
- The Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation
- Health Issues Centre
- The Department of Veterans' Affairs
- The Victorian Department of Human Services, and
- Department of Health and Ageing, Victoria.

GPIG meets quarterly, and provides a unique forum for the discussion of issues relevant to Victorian general practice service delivery and integration with the wider health system.

GPV chairs the meeting and provides the Secretariat for GPIG.

Objectives

GPIG is a forum for representatives of the Australian and Victorian State Governments, General Practice (GP) organisations and consumers to:

- 1) Through discussion of current issues relevant to general practice in Victoria, identify key challenges facing general practice service delivery and interface with the broader health system, and the current barriers to be overcome.
- 2) Work towards identifying solutions, through collaborative work between all GPIG member organisations including State and Commonwealth Government representatives, and involve other health stakeholder groups in this process where necessary.
- 3) Using general practice as the central point of discussion, devise strategies for improving communication and facilitating linkages with other service providers in the primary and acute health care sectors in Victoria.

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