



## EDUCATION SESSION INVITATION

### An accessible self-recorded CPD activity

GP North is continuing to fund pharmacotherapeutics education sessions in 2024 for GPs, GP Registrars and medical students working in northern Tasmania. The next topic to be prepared and presented by General Practice Consultant Pharmacist and Educator Danielle Truscott will be:

### Biological Medicines – briefing for the GP

Biological medicines and biosimilars are complex and costly medicines which are becoming increasingly available and prescribed for a number of medical conditions. This session aims to address the use of and safety of biological medicines relevant to General Practice.

After participating in this education session GPs should have a better understanding about:

- What is a biological medicine and what is a 'biosimilar'
- The development and manufacturing of biological medicines, such as monoclonal antibodies
- Discussion with patients about biological and biosimilar medicines, including switching between 'reference medicines' and biosimilars
- Medical conditions treated with biological medicines with practice pointers for GPs managing patients with inflammatory arthritis
- Infection risk management and vaccine choice for patients on some biological medicines

***On request participants will be emailed confirmation of attendance for the purpose of self-recording this small group learning CPD activity.***

*Each 1-hour education session is held during working hours on weekdays at General Practice rooms. It is preferable to have at least three GPs attending each session. If this is an issue for your practice please contact GP North to negotiate a suitable alternative arrangement including remote access via Zoom.*

***To book an education session please email Mrs Kelly Gregory GP North Administration Manager [officegpnorth@gmail.com](mailto:officegpnorth@gmail.com)***

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