



# Remote Vocational Training Scheme

## Supervisor News October 08

Dear RVTS supervisors,

### Teletutorials

The exam group is meeting regularly ahead of the ACRRM StAMPS exam on 11/12 October and the RACGP clinical exam on 25 October. The schedule for the other two groups for this month is:

#### Group 1: Registrars enrolled before 2008

Date	Topic	Presenter	Facilitator
2 October	Palliative Care	Rob Hitchens	Trudi Cullinan
9 October	Break		
16 October	Ovarian Cancer	Julie Thompson	Louise Baker
23 October	Case Presentation	Russ Thompson	Louise Baker
30 October	Sexual Dysfunction	Sanjiva Wijesinha	Pat Giddings

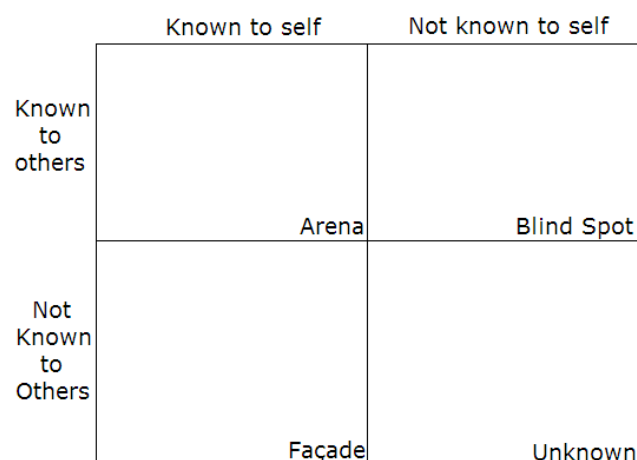
#### Group 2: Registrars enrolled in 2008

Date	Topic	Presenter	Facilitator
2 October	Headache	Simon Hammond	Elena Ghegori
9 October	Case Presentation	Mark Demian	Peter Burrows
16 October	Case Presentation	Paul Saad	Pat Giddings
23 October	Case Presentation	Aiad El-Essa	Susan Wearne
30 October	Prostate Health	Peter Royce	Bill Lang

### Teaching Tip: Ways to find the blind-spot

One of the challenges of remote supervision is trying to work out what registrars don't know that they don't know. One way of thinking about this problem is to adapt a Johari window.

#### Johari Window



"A **Johari window** is a cognitive psychological tool created by Joseph Luft and Harry Ingham (sic. Jo-Har I window) in 1955 in the United States, used to help people better understand their interpersonal

communication and relationships. It is used primarily in self-help groups and corporate settings as a heuristic exercise." [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johari\\_Window](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johari_Window)

At the last workshop we discussed using 360 feedback and direct observation using mini-CEX, as ways to find the blind spot. Other options include random case audit, audit of pathology results and audit of referral letters.

GP start includes referral letter audit as a key clinical activity and so this should have taken place for all registrars by now. If you are yet to see any referral letters or case notes written by your registrar, now is a good time to do this. Your registrar may be writing brilliant letters and be glad of some positive reinforcement, but you'll only know by having a look.

### **RVTS Supervisor Training**

Following on from the supervisor's meeting I did some searching about the various post-graduate courses available in clinical education. I've attached a list of the ones that I was able to find. If you are interested in enrolling or exploring the options further please let me know.

#### **Health professional education courses offered by Australian Universities**

Australian Catholic University, Graduate Certificate in Clinical Education

[http://inet.acu.edu.au/courses/courselocation.cfm?course=Graduate\\_Certificate\\_in\\_Clinical\\_Education](http://inet.acu.edu.au/courses/courselocation.cfm?course=Graduate_Certificate_in_Clinical_Education)

Flinders University, Postgraduate Studies in Clinical Education

<http://www.flinders.edu.au/courses/postgrad/ce/>

Griffith University, Graduate Certificate in Health Professional Education - Gold Coast

[http://www17.griffith.edu.au/cis/p\\_cat/admission.asp?ProgCode=3221&Type=overview](http://www17.griffith.edu.au/cis/p_cat/admission.asp?ProgCode=3221&Type=overview)

Monash University, Graduate Certificate in Health Professional Education

<http://www.med.monash.edu.au/cmhse/courses/grad/>

Queensland University of Technology course in development

Sydney University, Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Education)

[http://www.usyd.edu.au/courses/?detail=1&course\\_sef\\_id=Graduate\\_Certificate\\_of\\_Health\\_Science\\_Education\\_891](http://www.usyd.edu.au/courses/?detail=1&course_sef_id=Graduate_Certificate_of_Health_Science_Education_891)

Tropical Medical Training, Graduate Certificate in Clinical Education in association with James Cook University

<http://www.medicaltraining.com.au/node/229>

University of Tasmania

Graduate Certificate in Learning and Teaching for Health Professionals

<http://www.postgrad.utas.edu.au/courses/education/healthprof.htm>

University of Western Australia, Masters Health Professional Education

<http://www.meddent.uwa.edu.au/go/about-the-faculty/education-centre/education-centre-courses/masters-health-professional-education>

So there are plenty of courses available.

That's all for the month. I look forward to meeting up with many of you on 17-21 November for our Melbourne workshop.

Please do get in touch with me if you have any supervisor related requests, queries or suggestions.

Cheers, Susan

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