

Access to Key Electronic Clinical Resources

Note: For eHealth PIP refer to Tables 1 and 2.

Other resources may be useful (Tables 3 and 4).

Clinical software may also provide access to clinical resources.

Table 1: KEY ELECTRONIC RESOURCES (eHealth PIP requirement – one resource from each category)

Category	Examples	Comments
Concise, evidence-based guide to recommendations about patient management that covers all common disorders seen in general practice (latest edition)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Therapeutic Guidelines (complete) http://www.tg.org.au/ 	Cost \$300 initial fee (\$180 renewal). Multi-user licence discounts available on request. RACGP member discount
Formulary of medicines available in Australia that provides comparative drug information reflective of contemporary Australian general practice and is independent of pharmaceutical company involvements (latest edition)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australian Medicines Handbook http://www.amh.net.au/ 	Cost \$155 per annum. Multi-User Practice Licence discounts available. RACGP member discount
Evidence-based guide to preventative activities in general practice which is relevant to the Australian population (latest edition)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidelines for Preventive Activities in General Practice – the Red Book http://www.racgp.org.au/guidelines/redbook 	Free

Table 2: OTHER ELECTRONIC RESOURCES (eHealth PIP requirement is total of 3 resources from any categories) – these resources are free of charge

Category	Examples	
Journal of evidence-based clinical care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandolier http://www.medicines.ox.ac.uk/bandolier/ • Cochrane Library http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgi-bin/mrwhome/106568753/HOME?CRETRY=1&SRETRY=0 	<p>UK collection of guidelines</p> <p>Collection of systematic reviews (mainly on therapeutics)</p>
Clinical resources (latest editions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immunisation: Myths and Realities http://www.health.gov.au/internet/immunise/publishing.nsf/content/uci-myths-guideprov • Australian Immunisation Handbook http://www.health.gov.au/internet/immunise/publishing.nsf/Content/Handbook-home • Assessing fitness to drive http://www.austroads.com.au/aftd/ 	
Regulatory resources (latest editions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicare Benefits Schedule http://www9.health.gov.au/mbs/search.cfm • Pharmaceutical Benefits Schedule http://www.medicare.gov.au/provider/pbs/index.jsp 	

Table 3: CLINICAL RESOURCES FOR GPs

Category	Resources	
eGuidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidelines for preventive activities (RACGP 'Red Book') http://www.racgp.org.au/guidelines/redbook • New Zealand Guidelines Group http://www.nzgg.org.nz/ • NHMRC guidelines http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/guidelines/health_guidelines.htm • National Heart Foundation guidelines http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/Pages/default.aspx 	<p>Free</p> <p>Free</p> <p>Free. Australian guidelines.</p> <p>Free. There are several other organizations that have useful chronic disease guidelines (asthma, COPD, stroke, kidney, etc). Google them or ask MDM.</p>
eJournals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Family Physician http://www.racgp.org.au/afp • MJA http://www.mja.com.au/ • BMJ http://www.bmj.com/ • Australian Prescriber http://www.australianprescriber.com/ • Australian Doctor http://www.australiandoctor.com.au/ • Medical Observer http://www.medicalobserver.com.au/medical-observer/Default.aspx 	<p>Free</p> <p>Free for AMA members</p> <p>By subscription, approximate annual cost A\$105</p> <p>Free</p> <p>Free</p> <p>Free</p>

<p>Other e-clinical sites (all free)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Diabetes Institute http://www.diabetes.com.au/diabetes.php?regionID=33 • National Heart Foundation http://www.heartfoundation.org.au • National Prescribing Service http://www.nps.org.au/ • DermIS http://www.dermis.net • eMedicine http://emedicine.medscape.com/ • Centers for Disease Control (travel) http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/ 	<p>Good patient resources</p> <p>Guidelines</p> <p>Dermatology atlas</p> <p>General medicine textbook (USA). Free registration.</p> <p>Travel health information</p>
<p>ePortals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RACGP 'My General Practice' http://www.mygeneralpractice.org.au/ 	<p>Free for RACGP members (requires a program download). Access to many other sites.</p>
<p>eSearch Engines and databases</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Google http://www.google.com.au/ • Medline (via PubMed) http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/ • ProQuest(for RACGP members) http://www.racgp.org.au/library • SUMSearch http://sumsearch.uthscsa.edu/ 	<p>When you don't know where to look, Google with care</p> <p>Free database of medical journal articles (mainly abstracts)</p> <p>Free for RACGP members. Similar to PubMed but lots of whole text articles</p> <p>Similar to PubMed but wider cover</p>
<p>eTextbooks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCPA Manual http://www.rcpamannual.edu.au/ • GPnotebook http://www.gpnotebook.co.uk/homepage.cfm 	<p>Information on pathology tests (free)</p> <p>UK textbook. Free registration.</p>

ePatient Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HealthInsite http://www.healthinsite.gov.au/ Better Health Channel http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/ Health Translations Directory http://www.healthtranslations.vic.gov.au/ 	<p>Australian Government</p> <p>Victorian Government</p> <p>Patient information translated into many languages</p>
eAboriginal & Torres Strait Islander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victorian Aboriginal Controlled Health Organisation http://www.vaccho.org.au/ ATSI Health Services Directory http://www.atsihealth.org/ RACGP National guide to a preventive assessment in ATSI peoples http://www.racgp.org.au/guidelines/nationalguide 	These resources are free

Table 4: CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

eCPD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> gplearning http://www.gplearning.com.au/ Omnus https://www.omnus.com.au/Default.aspx PriMed http://www.primed.com.au/portal/index_primed.cfm 	<p>Free for RACGP members. Others can subscribe.</p> <p>Free.</p> <p>Free.</p>
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