



OTWAY HEALTH NEWS

In the event of an emergency please call 000.

Our Urgent Care Unit operates 24 hours per day / 7 days per week.

For more information and to book health and community services please phone
Otway Health Reception: (03) 5237 8500 or email info@otwayhealth.org.au



Remote Drug and Alcohol Recovery for Southern Otway's Region Program announced as finalist for VicHealth Award

Otway Health, in conjunction with Lorne Community Hospital (LCH) and Windana Drug and Alcohol Recovery in Geelong has been named as a finalist in health promotion's night of nights – the VicHealth Awards. The *Remote Drug and Alcohol Recovery for Southern Otway's Region* Program has been recognised for providing ongoing drug and alcohol recovery support for remote community members of the Southern Otway's Region through face-to-face consultations with Otway Health and LCH, and teleconferencing with case workers at Windana Drug and Alcohol Recovery. Winners will be announced on Tuesday 5 December 2017 at the VicHealth Awards Ceremony at Melbourne Museum.

For more information about the 2017 VicHealth Awards, visit www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/awards
To access the Remote Drug and Alcohol Recovery Program please contact Loren Jenkins, Community Health Nurse at Otway Health via Reception.

Federal Government Changes to Subsidised Aged Care Services - Register with My Aged Care

Clients will now need to register with *My Aged Care* in order to access community nursing and allied health services through Otway Health. *My Aged Care* is a Federal Government website and phone line that helps clients to find information and access subsidised services that may be available to them. To register:

Phone: 1800 200 422 | Website: www.myagedcare.gov.au

Otway Health are planning to host a series of workshops at Marrar Woon Neighbourhood House in early 2018 to assist clients through the registration process.

Introducing Working With Children Checks (WWCC)

Otway Health is committed to creating and maintaining a child-safe environment. Recent changes to the Victorian Government's Child Safe Standards resulted in WWCC required in situations where they were not previously. Otway Health now requires WWCC for volunteers at no cost, and can assist volunteers through the process. For more information please contact Meloney Howell, Volunteer Coordinator on 5237 8500.

UPCOMING VISITING SERVICES

Physiotherapy

Every Monday and Thursday
Please note that if you cancel your physiotherapy appointment with less than 24 hours notice you will be charged the full appointment fee.

Men's and Ladies Christmas Lunch Groups

Get into the Christmas spirit and enjoy some friendly social time over a delicious meal at the final Men's and Ladies Lunch Groups for the year.

Ladies - Friday 24 November

Men's - Monday 27 November

Both group lunches are held at Apollo Bay Hotel from 12:30 – 2.00pm with meals generously subsidised by Apollo Bay Hotel. Book via Otway Health Reception.

Social lunches will recommence again in the new year - we will keep you informed of dates.

Nursing Recruitment Campaign Underway

A recruitment campaign to attract Registered Nurses, RIPERNS and Nurse Graduates to join our exciting new Rural Pathways Program has been launched on social media and via our website. Discover your journey along the rural health pathway and work and play in some of the most pristine coastline on the planet.

To learn more and apply, visit the following link:

<http://applynnow.net.au/jobs/94014>

Otway Health Check on 3ABR – Tuesday 21 Nov

Listen to our podcast to learn more about our Registered Nurse Rural Health Pathways Program with Clinical Nurse Manager Ali Rodda, and Nurse Graduate, Leo. Plus all the latest health news.

<https://apollobayradio.podbean.com/>

Live fortnightly on Tuesdays - 3ABR Apollo Bay Radio

Influenza Vaccination Program 2017

Otway Health has received a Certificate of Excellence for exceeding the DHHS compliance target for its Healthcare Worker Influenza Vaccination Program, ensuring our commitment to reducing the number of flu related infections and deaths.

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Community Advisory Committee

Email: CAC.OH@swarh.vic.gov.au

Otway Health Board

Email: otwayboard@swarh.vic.gov.au

Otway Health Website & Social Media

www.otwayhealth.org.au / [@otwayhealthcomms](https://www.facebook.com/otwayhealthcomms)