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Items for Circulation from Members

SDOHA submission on the Australian National Preventive Health Agency (Abolition) Bill 2014
This week SDOHA provided a submission to the Senate Standing Committees on Community Affairs on the Australian National Preventive Health Agency (Abolition) Bill 2014. This submission will shortly be available of the Committee's website here.

The Cost of Air Pollution: Health Impacts of Road Transport
This study reports on the economic cost of the health impacts of air pollution from road transport – on a global scale but with special reference to China, India and the OECD countries. Click here for study.

OECD Reviews of Health Care Quality: Norway 2014 - Raising Standards
This book presents a comprehensive review of health care quality in Norway. Click here for link.

Social Determinants of Health Research Forum: 1pm-3:30pm, Monday 14 July 2014, Canberra
The Research Forum will be followed at 3:30pm by afternoon tea and the SDOHA members meeting. Numbers are limited – RSVP by Friday 4 July to accounts@phaa.net.au . See flyer on the SDOHA website – www.socialdeterminants.org.au - (Media & Events page) for further information.

The Research Forum is being held in conjunction with this year's ***National Health Reform Summit: 15-16 July 2014, Canberra***. Click here for further information about the Summit.

SDOHA meeting dates for 2014
The other meeting dates (after 14 July meeting) for the remainder of 2014 are:
- Wednesday 20 August (National Press Club event, Canberra – to be followed by SDOHA AGM); and
- Thursday 13 November (topic and destination to be determined).

Invitation to contribute to the SDOHA Blog
We are seeking Blog posts – to be published on the website - from member organisations, either commenting on key issues/current events or showcasing work that your organisation is undertaking in relation to the social determinants of health. Please forward Blog posts to Anne Brown, SDOHA Coordinator at accounts@phaa.net.au .

News items of interest
Media items of interest over the past week included:

5 June 2014
Tasmania Medicare Local grants to help grow healthier communities (Mercury)
Nine projects that aim to improve the health and wellbeing of residents in disadvantaged Tasmanian communities have won funding through Tasmania Medicare Local. Click here for article.

4 June 2014
Social Innovation: Worklessness, Welfare and Well-being – Social Policy & Society (Brotherhood of St Laurence)
The aim of this article is to make the case for innovative 'upstream' approaches to addressing health inequalities. Click here for article.

3 June 2014
Keeping indigenous people out of prison (ABC Radio National)
The Law Report looks at programs that help keep people out of the criminal justice treadmill in the Kimberleys in Western Australia. Click here for audio.

Short-stay placements the future for remote area dental services (UWA News)
One of the keys to solving extreme shortages of dental practitioners in remote Australia is proving to be short-stay (three to four weeks) placements for final-year dental students, according to a recent report into a 10-year program in WA. Click here for article.

Calls for Sector-led Input on 'Services Connect' (Pro Bono Australia News)
The Victorian Government is expected to make a call out for submissions in the next two weeks to Not for Profits interested in taking part in the trials of its eight new Services Connect sites. Click here for article.

2 June 2014
Acute respiratory infections among Indigenous children (Medical Journal of Australia)
The Mount Isa-based study in this issue of the Journal is welcome, as it is the first on the burden of hospitalisation for acute respiratory infection in the north-west Queensland region. Click here for article.

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