

“Hazardous Substances Update”

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Date	Wednesday 2nd November 2011 6pm – 7.30pm
Program	
5.45pm	Registration and supper
6.00pm	Welcome and Introduction <i>Chair: Leisa Brown President Brisbane Oncology Nurses Group</i>
6.05pm	Definitions, Environmental Monitoring and Health Surveillance <i>Guest Presenter: Dr Andrew Jeremijenko Occupational and Environmental Medicine Specialist</i>
6.25pm	Risk and Responsibility <i>Guest Presenter: Mr Mark Chandler Workplace Health and Safety Officer Mater Hospital</i>
6.45pm	Reconstitution - current practice and innovations <i>Guest Presenter: Ms Julia Bates Production Manager Pharmacy Princess Alexandra Hospital</i>
7.05pm	Question and Answer Panel: Dr Andrew Jeremijenko, Mr Mark Chandler, Ms Julia Bates
7.30pm	Close
Venue	Cancer Council Queensland Auditorium, 553 Gregory Terrace Fortitude Valley (opposite the old museum) Parking available under the building
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This forum is provided free of charge by Cancer Council Queensland
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Objectives:

Dr Andrew Jeremijenko

Occupational and Environmental Medicine Specialist

- Define hazardous substances, including discussion about classification of non-traditional anti-neoplastic agents such as monoclonal antibodies
- Outline the role of a ‘designated doctor’ approved by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland
- Discuss Environmental monitoring and its impact on clinical practice
- Describe health surveillance and the role of health surveillance in relation to cytotoxic chemotherapy and treatments such as monoclonal antibodies

Mr Mark Chandler

Workplace Health and Safety Officer Mater Hospital

- Describe workplace health and safety practices eg risk assessments, relating to cytotoxic chemotherapy, including current legislation
- Outline the responsibilities of the workplace in relation to the legislation with reference to the Queensland “Guidelines for Safe Handling of Cytotoxic Drugs and Related Waste”
- Discuss the current controversy surrounding safe handling of other substances eg monoclonal antibodies and the implications for administration especially outside the cancer care unit

Ms Julia Bates

Production Manager Pharmacy Princess Alexandra Hospital

- Discuss current practice for the safe handling of cytotoxic chemotherapy from a pharmaceutical perspective
- Describe the impact on reconstitution practices, policies and procedures after changes to classification of some hazardous substances to reflect revised European classification systems (ref ChemAlert)
- Outline innovations in hazardous substances handling systems eg Pha-seal