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GP Education for Shoulder Problems at Bethesda Hospital

Bethesda Hospital's GP Education night on Tuesday 9th April 2013 will feature presentations by orthopaedic surgeons from Coastal Orthopaedics entitled 'How to Manage 90% of Shoulder Presentations – the Shoulder Impingement Spectrum'.

Up to 50 local general practitioners are expected to attend the professional development seminar, listening to presentations by highly regarded Drs Paul Khoo and Matt Scaddan, as well as a specialist physiotherapist, Alison Thorpe.

The surgeons will specifically speak about the main five problems of shoulders, motor control rehabilitation, as well as shoulder impingement and rotator cuff tears.

This GP education night is the second education seminar that the Claremont-based private hospital has held this year, with future topics including other topics such as other orthopaedic specialities and palliative care.

Coastal Orthopaedics opened their multi-disciplinary practice at Bethesda Hospital in mid 2011, offering a unique service where physiotherapists and orthopaedic surgeons who work closely together to achieve the best possible outcome for their patients.

The partnership with Coastal Orthopaedics underpins Bethesda Hospital's commitment to providing care that responds to the community's need for a high quality and safe array of services, with highly regarded surgeons and physicians working closely with hospital staff to ensure superior patient outcomes are achieved.

Bethesda Hospital has been consistently rated as a preferred hospital over the past few years, achieving outstanding results in both private health fund reviews and external accreditation audits.

Chief Executive Officer Yasmin Naglazas describes the GP education nights as 'important to inform GPs of the work that Bethesda Hospital is undertaking by working extremely closely with surgeon partners in the quest to achieve the best outcomes for patients. GPs should feel confident that a referral to a surgeon working at Bethesda is a very good decision'.

Bethesda is an independent 88-bed hospital in Claremont which has been providing outstanding surgical and palliative care and service to the Western Australian community for nearly seventy years.

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