



# You're invited to the first Twilight Professional Development Seminar 2018

Monday April 9  
Royal Melbourne Hospital

## The Future of Spiritual Care in Health: A Heads-up for all Practitioners

**In October 2017, the University of Divinity** hosted a professional development day, in which several CPE supervisors were inducted as affiliate UD lecturers. Alan Niven convened and arranged several short lectures including one by Spiritual Health Victoria CEO Cheryl Holmes. Cheryl's talk was entitled *The Future of Spiritual Care in Health: A Heads-up for all Practitioners* (PDF of PowerPoint sent with this invite). At the end of the talk Cheryl asked the following questions, which were subsequently emailed to all attendees by Alan Niven. Some people responded. The ASACPEV Executive considers these questions important too, if our association is going to collaborate with Spiritual Health Victoria, Spiritual Care Australia, as well as our fellow Australian (and New Zealand) CPE associations comprising ANZACPE. As Cheryl notes, this is particularly important now that the Victorian Government recognises spiritual care as an Allied Health profession. This twilight Seminar will be a time of thoughtful consideration of these questions, and a debate about their meaning and pertinence to CPE, and ASACPEV's place in a changing healthcare environment. Please consider the questions and bring your thoughts and thinking caps! Everyone's voice is welcome, from Clinical Educator to newbie!

Cheryl Holmes' questions:

- Are our current education pathways preparing the workforce that is needed for an increasingly complex health care environment?
- Is it ethical to use CPE students to provide care in complex health systems without adequate preparation and knowledge of the system and the place of spiritual care within it?
- As spiritual care is recognised as an allied health profession, can we continue with models of education that often seem more directed towards pastoral ministries than spiritual care in health?
- How can we develop education pathways that will provide a spiritual care workforce ready and able to meet the demands they will face and who are also able to speak into that complexity to point towards the humanity, dignity and value of each person struggling in and with the system?

The Royal Melbourne Hospital, Grattan Street, Parkville

**6:00pm: Optional Dinner at Zouki Café on Ground Floor - reasonably priced meals.**

**7:00 pm: Seminar: To be held in The Historical Room on Ground Floor  
(from front entrance on Flemington Rd, just keep going straight ahead!)**

**ASACPEV Inc. MEMBERS - FREE**

NON-MEMBERS - \$10 payable on the night

Certificates for participation noting Professional Development hours gained provided