

# educator news august 2018

## **AMT National Educators' Forum - 12 October 2018**

AMT is pleased to be sponsoring the National Educators' Forum again this year. It will be held on Friday 12 October at the Rydges Sydney Central. The venue is accessible via direct train line from Sydney Domestic Airport. It is approximately 5-10 minutes walk from Central Station.

The first registration for a single RTO will be free and any subsequent registrations from the same college are \$90.

Registrations will be open by the end of August. Please keep your eyes peeled for the program, which includes a presentation and question session with Gayatri Mahesh, Manager of Regulatory Operations at ASQA.

## **Launch of the AMT mentoring program**

Applications for AMT's mentoring program open on Wednesday 29 August. Huzzah!

The first intake of the scheme will be a pilot program with 20 mentor/mentee pairs, running over 6 months from October 10. Mentees will be 'new' therapists (in their first three years) and students who are due to graduate soon; mentors will have at least five years' experience as a massage therapist. This pilot scheme will then inform a permanent program with two intakes a year and capacity for a larger number of mentor/mentee pairs.

You can read more about the program in our launch announcement here:

<http://bit.ly/amtmentoring>

And there's more detail on the AMT website:

<http://www.amt.org.au/members/mentoring.html>

We are incredibly pleased to get this program running and excited by its potential to build the profession and support graduates in their transition from study to clinical practice. We hope that RTOs will assist us in promoting the benefits of the scheme to students due to graduate soon.

## **AMT Conference: Rydges Sydney Central, 12 - 14 October**

The AMT conference is already fairly close to selling out. We're thrilled to be hosting orthopaedic surgeon, Ian Harris, who will be giving the keynote address "Surgery: the Ultimate Placebo", and back pain researcher Mary O'Keeffe.

We will be webcasting the morning plenary sessions on Saturday 13 October and will make the webcast available to currently enrolled students. Stay tuned for details closer to the event.

