

Education Calendar 2011

February 2011				
Date	Topic	Target Group	Delivery Mode Location, Time	Closing Date for Bookings & Contact Person
23 February	Q&A on Mobility and Daily Living Aids Applications Ask the advisors any question(s) relating to applications, approved equipment and Australian Standards, ownership, repairs and maintenance, anything relating to MASS Equipment Services. A set presentation is available or the session can be devoted entirely to your questions.	Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy	Videoconference* 2.00 – 3.30pm	Bookings close 16 February 2011 Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526 Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au
March 2011				
17-18 March	Feature Event HACC/MASS Continence Education Forum Topics include: Medico-legal aspects of continence, hands on continence assessment workshop, autism, catheters, bowel care, and a team clinical reasoning “hypothetical”.	Dietitians Health Care Workers Nursing^ Occupational Therapy Pharmacy Physiotherapy	Conference with concurrent sessions and trade display Brisbane Technology Park Conference Centre, Eight Mile Plains	Booking close 4 March 2011 Lesley Osborne ph 07 3136 3631 contpro@health.qld.gov.au Full program and registration booklet available at: http://www.health.qld.gov.au/mass/docs/resources/continence/contedforumreg2011.pdf
22 March	A wheelchair prescription protocol This presentation follows the process from referral to order. Is the wheelchair user ready to choose? What product features are essential and what is worth looking at? What size chair to trial, where to trial and for how long? The session finishes with user measurements to check, completing a product order form and obtaining a quote to match.	Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy	Videoconference 2.00 – 4.00pm	Bookings close 16 March 2011 Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526 Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au

*Videoconferences can be attended at the presentation site – refer videoconference bookings on page 6



^ All sessions where nursing staff are included in the target group are endorsed by the Royal College of Nursing Australia. This program has been endorsed by APEC no: 070822034 as authorised by the Royal College of Nursing, Australia according to approved criteria. CNE points = 1 per hour of content.



April 2011				
Date	Topic	Target Group	Delivery Mode Location, Time	Closing Date for Bookings & Contact Person
6 April	<p>Alternative Access options for Speech Generating Devices: Assessment and prescription</p> <p>Presentation of a range of alternative access options e.g. switches, head operated equipment, eye gaze systems etc, and the clinical reasoning required to make an appropriate choice.</p>	<p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Speech Pathology</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>2.00 – 3.30pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 30 March 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
May 2011				
10 May	<p>Highlights from the Continence Education Forum 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the key sessions presented at the HACC/MASS Continence Education Forum held on 17-18 March 2011 • Update your awareness of the latest trends in clinical practice and much more 	<p>Dietitians</p> <p>Health Care Workers</p> <p>Nursing</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Pharmacy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>2.00 – 3.30pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 3 May 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
June 2011				
3 June	<p>You and Your Powered Wheelchair</p> <p>Maintenance, adjustment and useful tips for power wheelchair users.</p>	<p>Clients and carers in the Gold Coast area using MASS subsidised power wheelchairs</p>	<p>Workshop</p> <p>10.00am – 12noon</p>	<p>Bookings close 30 May 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
7 June	<p>Choosing a cushion for a wheelchair user</p> <p>Would you like suspension, or would you prefer envelopment? With a myriad of pressure redistribution cushions on the market using different mechanisms of action, it can be difficult to know what will work best for an individual. This presentation explores the theory behind many prominent products to assist prescribers in selection.</p>	<p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>2.00 – 4.00pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 1 June 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>



July 2011				
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19 July	<p>Choosing a sleeping support surface to prevent or heal pressure areas</p> <p>Would you like repeated offloading, constant low pressure, or a way to keep skin drier in bed? Preventing or healing pressure areas can be complex, not least because of the various factors that lead to pressure areas acquired in lying or sitting. This presentation examines how different design features of several popular products may help prevent or heal pressure areas.</p>	<p>Nursing</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>2.00 – 4.00pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 13 July 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
August 2011				
4 August	<p>Q&A on Mobility and Daily Living Aids Applications</p> <p>Ask the advisors any question(s) relating to applications, approved equipment and Australian Standards, ownership, repairs and maintenance, anything relating to MASS Equipment Services. A set presentation is available or the session can be devoted entirely to your questions.</p>	<p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>12noon – 2.00pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 28 July 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
24-25 August	<p>Feature Event</p> <p>Living with Equipment in 2011</p> <p>2nd symposium of aids, equipment and assistive technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote speaker presentations • Presentations of papers and posters • Workshops • Product presentations • Forums and panel discussions • Trade displays 	<p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p> <p>Speech Pathology</p>	<p>Conference with concurrent sessions and trade display</p> <p>Sebel & Citigate, Cnr Ann & Roma Streets, Brisbane</p>	<p>Call for papers closes 28 February 2011</p> <p>Early discounted registration 6 May till 24 June 2011</p> <p>Full cost registration 27 June till 12 August 2011</p> <p>Enquiries to:</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>



September 2011				
Date	Topic	Target Group	Delivery Mode Location, Time	Closing Date for Bookings & Contact Person
6 September	<p>Update on the Continence Foundation of Australia (CFA) continence in schools project and Queensland children's continence working group</p> <p>The CFA has received federal funding to support children with continence issues in the Australian education system. This presentation will discuss strategies to support these children to minimise the impact daytime incontinence can have on a child's physical and psychological well being.</p>	<p>Nursing</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p> <p>Teachers</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>2.00 – 3.30pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 31 August 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
15 September	<p>A wheelchair prescription protocol</p> <p>This presentation follows the process from referral to order. Is the wheelchair user ready to choose? What product features are essential and what is worth looking at? What size chair to trial, where to trial and for how long? The session finishes with user measurements to check, completing a product order form and obtaining a quote to match.</p>	<p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>12noon – 2.00pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 7 September 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>
October 2011				
11 October	<p>MASS Continence Clinical Update</p> <p>An update on MASS Continence Aids application processes with practical tips on product selection from the MASS Approved Continence Aids List.</p>	<p>Nursing</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>2.00 – 4.00pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 5 October 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>

**October 2011 (continued)**

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27 October	Choosing a cushion for a wheelchair user Would you like suspension, or would you prefer envelopment? With a myriad of pressure redistribution cushions on the market using different mechanisms of action, it can be difficult to know what will work best for an individual. This presentation explores the theory behind many prominent products to assist prescribers in selection.	Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy	Videoconference 12noon – 2.00pm	Bookings close 19 October 2011 Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526 Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au

November 2011

8 November	Assessment and Trials of Speech Generating Devices with Adult Clients Case study presentation of the assessment and trial processes involved in the selection of SGD's for adults with acquired communication impairment.	Speech Pathology	Videoconference 2.00 – 3.30pm	Bookings close 2 November 2011 Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526 Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au
15 November	Choosing reliable equipment for everyday use, or for heavy use and remote area contexts This topic presents key considerations used by MASS as funding body in choosing what is and what is not subsidised, with more on choosing design features for heavy use or remote areas to prevent early failure or frequent repairs. Allocation of MASS pre-used stock equipment will also be discussed.	Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy	Videoconference 2.00 – 4.00pm	Bookings close 9 November 2011 Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526 Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au
21 November	You and Your Powered Wheelchair Maintenance, adjustment and useful tips for power wheelchair users.	Clients and carers in the Cairns area using MASS subsidised power wheelchairs	Workshop 10.00am – 12noon	Bookings close 15 November 2011 Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526 Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au

**December 2011**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Target Group</i>	<i>Delivery Mode Location, Time</i>	<i>Closing Date for Bookings & Contact Person</i>
1 December	<p>Choosing a sleeping support surface to prevent or heal pressure areas</p> <p>Would you like repeated offloading, constant low pressure, or a way to keep skin drier in bed? Preventing or healing pressure areas can be complex, not least because of the various factors that lead to pressure areas acquired in lying or sitting. This presentation examines how different design features of several popular products may help prevent or heal pressure areas.</p>	<p>Nursing</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Physiotherapy</p>	<p>Videoconference</p> <p>12noon – 2.00pm</p>	<p>Bookings close 24 November 2011</p> <p>Stephen Hales ph 07 3136 3526</p> <p>Stephen_Hales@health.qld.gov.au</p>

VIDEOCONFERENCE BOOKINGS

MASS videoconferences are DIAL IN videoconferences: A dial in number will be sent to the participant who has made the booking 1-3 working days prior to each videoconference.

How to submit your booking: Bookings can be made by direct email to the contact person or by using the MASS 2011 Education Booking Form. Information to send:

Queensland Health sites: Please advise the site name of the videoconference system you have booked for each date/topic. For a full list of sites refer to the "Videoconference Locations Directory" at: <http://qheps.health.qld.gov.au/telehealth/>

Non-Queensland Health sites: Please advise the site name and ISDN number of the videoconference system you have booked for each date/topic.

Sit in at the presentation site: All videoconferences run from 41 Southgate Avenue, Cannon Hill, Brisbane unless specified otherwise. Participants are welcome to sit in at the presentation site; however you **must RSVP the contact person for each topic you plan to attend**. This is to advise of any changes to the presentation date or presentation site, and for distribution of pre-reading documents when applicable.

OTHER EDUCATION and WEBSITES

The organisations listed below provide information and resources on their websites, and/or provide regular education on communication devices, continence aids, daily living aids and mobility equipment. Some examples of the topics provided are listed below with links to their respective websites.

<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Examples of topics offered in 2011</i>	<i>Links</i>
Queensland Spinal Cord Injury Service	Information and resources section of website: Bladder & bowel, equipment, skin care plus other self directed learning packages for health professionals	http://www.health.qld.gov.au/qscis/info.asp
Spinal Outreach Team	Videoconferences, online information and resources	http://www.health.qld.gov.au/qscis/SPOT.asp
Spinal Seating Professional Development Program	Hands-on assessment, body measurements, seating, manual and power wheelchair prescription plus lots more	http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/gmct/spinal