



Australian Government  
Department of Health  
Therapeutic Goods Administration

## TGA workshops: Codeine up-scheduling

From 1 February 2018, medicines containing codeine will no longer be available over the counter in pharmacies.

The Department of Health Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) is working in collaboration with Primary Health Networks and pain specialists to ensure health professionals dealing with chronic and acute pain management have alternative strategies to use in preparation for 1 February and beyond.

The TGA invites you to attend an evening workshop on the **up-scheduling of codeine**, and the opportunity to engage with senior TGA representatives as well as leading specialists in acute and chronic pain management and addiction.

### Melbourne workshop

<b>Date</b>	Tuesday 28 November 2017
<b>Time</b>	Arrival 5pm for 6pm start
<b>Location</b>	<a href="#">Mantra on Russell</a> , 222 Russell St Melbourne

Please see over the page for the detailed program of topics and speakers.

### Registration

If you are interested in attending, please email [RSVPHPRGExecutive@health.gov.au](mailto:RSVPHPRGExecutive@health.gov.au) with the following information:

- Full name of representative/s attending
- Name of organisation and/or your position
- Phone number and email address of attendees
- Topic suggestions for discussion panel
- The location of your event
- Dietary requirements if applicable

*Coffee, tea and light finger food will be provided for an hour before the workshop commences.*

If you have any further queries, please contact the TGA Regulatory Education Section on 1800 020 653 or email [RSVPHPRGExecutive@health.gov.au](mailto:RSVPHPRGExecutive@health.gov.au).



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**Melbourne, Tuesday 28 November 2017**  
**Program**

Topic	Speaker(s)	Time
<i>Registration and finger food</i>		<i>From 5.00pm</i>
Scheduling decision and rationale	<b>Adj. Prof. John Skerritt, Avi Rebera</b> <i>Therapeutic Goods Administration</i>	6.00pm
Alternative options to codeine-containing OTC medicines	<b>Dr Pene Wood</b> <i>Opioid Management Clinical Advisor, Western Victoria Primary Health Network</i>	6.30pm
Management options for chronic non-cancer pain	<b>Dr Malcom Hogg</b> <i>Fellow of Faculty of Pain Medicine</i>	7.00 pm
Implications for rural and remote communities	<b>Speaker from</b> <i>Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine</i>	7.30 pm
Strategies for working with addicted patients	<b>Dr Matthew Frie</b> <i>Head, Drug and Alcohol, Monash University</i>	8.00 pm
Discussion panel and Q&A	All	From 8.30pm

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