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Professor Doris Young Appointed to NHMRC Health Care Committee 2009 - 2012

In a recent announcement by the Australian Government, Professor Doris Young was appointed as a member of the new NHMRC Health Care Committee for a three year term to 30 June 2012.

The NHMRC Health Care Committee's major role is to provide NHMRC's CEO, Professor Warwick Anderson, with advice on applying the results of the best available research on health care in hospitals, surgeries and clinics. It will provide expert advice on evidence and knowledge transfer to improve healthcare across all domains including primary care and aged care and will draw on NHMRC support for clinical and health services research findings. The Committee will also have a significant role in supporting the NHMRC's response to the National Health and Hospitals' Reform Commission report and in addressing the National Primary Health Care Strategy.

Professor Doris Young MBBS, MD, FRACGP is Professor of General Practice at the University of Melbourne and has been a practising GP in a community health centre in the north-western region of Melbourne delivering comprehensive care to a disadvantaged, diverse and multicultural community for more than 20 years. She has been actively involved in undergraduate, vocational and postgraduate GP education and has extensive knowledge and experience in establishing and evaluating different models of teaching and research practices in general practice and primary care settings. She has had long-standing involvement in the development, support and evaluation of the Division of General Practice program in Australia. She has also been a board member to of the Northern Regional Health Service in Victoria for 8 years.

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