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BREAST CARE FOCUS FOR GP EDUCATION

As part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the next Bethesda Health Care General Practitioner (GP) Education night on Thursday 29 October 2015 will feature presentations by three breast surgeons speaking on breast cancer management entitled "Big and Small, Let's Save them All!".

Up to 40 local GP's are expected to attend the professional development seminar at the Claremont based hospital featuring:

Mr Richard Martin – Breast Surgeon

Dr Wen Chen Yeow – Breast Surgeon

Dr Farah AbdulAziz – Breast Surgeon

Mr Martin has consulted at Bethesda Health Care for the past five years, and is a specialist breast endocrine and general surgeon. Doctors Yeow and Aziz are general surgeons, who both specialize in breast and oncoplastic surgery.

Specific outcomes from the education session for CPD points include:

- Breast cancer management: detection and treatment.
- Why surgeons do wide local excisions
- Breast reconstruction decision-making.

Bethesda Health Care has employed a breast care nurse since 2013 to assist patients with pre and post-operative care, in addition to their post discharge requirements.

Hospital Chief Executive Officer Ms Yasmin Naglazas said that 'we are proud to offer a dedicated service to meet the growing demand to treat breast cancer, and what better month to educate our GP's than during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month'.

This is the third time that breast surgery has been included in the popular GP Education program, which is now in its third year.

Bethesda Health Care is an independent 88-bed award-winning hospital in Claremont who has been providing care and service to the Western Australian community for more than 70 years.

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