



**Grampians Integrated
Cancer Service (GICS)**

Gynaecological Cancer Information Forum

Gynaecological cancers are:

- Overshadowed by other cancers
- Have symptoms which are vague and non specific
- A challenge to diagnose early
- Often advanced when diagnosed

This forum is designed to:

- Raise awareness of gynaecological cancers
- Inform attendees about current treatment and initiatives
- Begin the conversation about the importance of both supportive care and the early referral to palliative care

Event Details

Date: Tuesday 2nd March, 2010

Venue: GICS, 804 Sturt Street Ballarat. (Next to 'The Turret Café')

Time: 5.15 for 5.30-pm start– 9.00pm

Cost: Free & fully catered
Dinner provided—Please notify us if you have any dietary requirements.

Agenda

- 5.30-5.40 **GICS Introduction**
Overview of Program and activities
Lea Marshall, Cancer Services Improvement Officer
- 5.40-5.50 **Someone affected by gynaecological cancer**
A personal experience with ovarian cancer
Melanie Mattinson
- 5.50-6.20 **Information on diagnostic procedures**
Use of PET & CT in ovarian cancer
Prof. Alex Pitman, Lake Imaging
- 6.20-7.20 **Information on gynaecological cancers & surgical treatment options**
Incidence, screening, disease pathology and surgical treatment options
Assoc. Prof. Tom Jobling, Southern Health
- 7.20-7.50 **Light meal**
- 7.50-8.05 **Supportive Care & other initiatives**
Lea Marshall, Cancer Services Improvement Officer
- 8.05-8.50 **Palliative Care**
Palliative care. What is it & how to refer.
Kate Cozens, Nurse Educator, Grampians Region Palliative Care Team
- 8.50-9.00 **Panel Discussion**
All questions for panel discussion



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