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"THE RACGP IS A SLEEPING GIANT WITH THE POTENTIAL TO DO MASSIVE GOOD, IT JUST NEEDS TO BE AWAKENED. "

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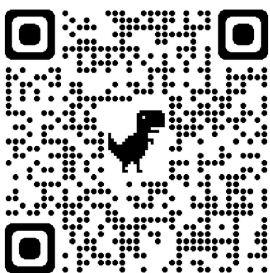
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MY PLEDGE

"If elected as RACGP president, I will donate my **entire presidential salary to professional lobbying for General Practice.**"

MORE INFO

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ABOUT

I am a passionate GP advocate, contractor and practice owner from Melbourne.

I am a founder and the president of the Australian Society of General Practice - a lobby and advocacy group for General Practice, and future GP union.

I want to make the RACGP exist for and serve it's members, not the other way around.

Fix the RACGP

- Link board remuneration to GP income and stop the hikes while GP incomes stagnate
- Ensure the RACGP does not make a profit from registrars or IMGs. The RACGP should treat members with respect. The RACGP needs to exist for members, not the other way around.

Fix Medicare

- Reclaim the 50% in lost Medicare funding over the past two decades for our patients
- Stop the constant item cuts
- Ensure Medicare is always indexed at least to CPI

STOP the pharmacy guild's Queensland prescribing trial

- It is not evidence based, and not patient-centred

Protect IMGs from exploitation

- Remove the requirement of visas being linked to employer which causes many IMG to be exploited, overworked, and underpaid
- Reinstate proper government funding for new PEP so that IMGs and other doctors are not forced to pay upwards of \$25k a year

Stop Payroll Tax

- It is a cash grab by state governments to raise revenue after large covid debts. It will bankrupt many small to medium clinics

Stop the move to capitation

- Both AMA and RACGP have supported capitation despite most members opposing it
- This will be abused by government to cut GP funding even further, increase pointless paperwork and increase bureaucratic control over the doctor - patient relationship

Embrace GPs with special interests

- I want GPs who have special interests to be celebrated and encouraged.
- I want skin GPs who have interest and training to prescribe Roaccutane.
- I want our scope of practice to be expanded and not slowly cut from all sides. I want to fight for GPs to get our ECG interpretation rebate back. It's the principle that matters.