



# Introduction to RHDAustralia Things we'd like you to know



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### SHARING A HEARTBEAT

### New film on RHD in pregnancy launched

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#### What is Acute Rheumatic Fever?

Acute rheumatic fever is an illness caused by an autoimmune response to a bacterial infection with group A streptococcus, commonly called the strep bacteria.

Find out more 🟓

#### What is Rheumatic Heart Disease?

Rheumatic heart disease is chronic damage to the valves in the heart caused by repeated cases of acute rheumatic fever. This can be prevented.

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#### How is it Prevented?

The prevention of rheumatic heart disease can be implemented at different stages. This includes Primordial, Primary, Secondary and Tertiary prevention.

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#### How is it Diagnosed & Treated?

There is currently no single test to diagnose acute rheumatic fever. Diagnosis is a doctor's decision based on clinical assessment of signs and symptoms. ....

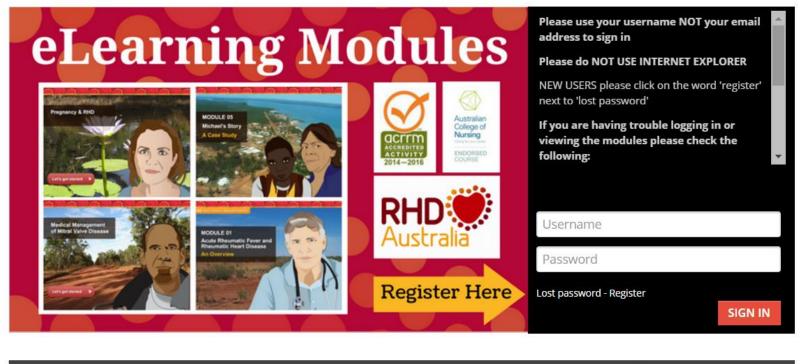
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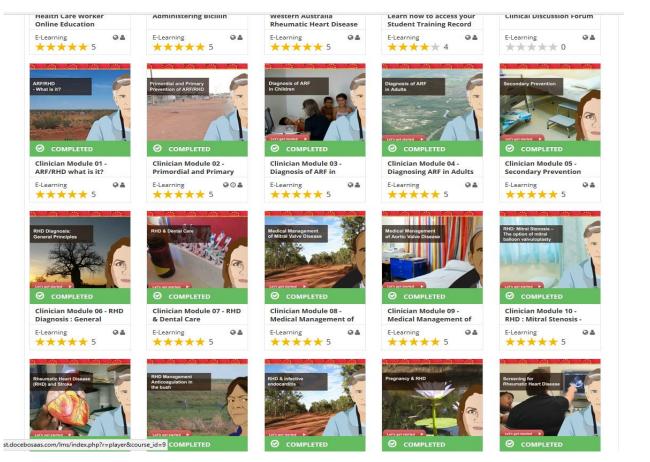
## **Health Care Worker Package**

 5 short learning modules a basic understanding of best practice approaches to the prevention, diagnosis and management of ARF & RHD

## **Clinician Modules (ACN and RAHC accredited)**

- 15 modules developed by expert clinicians provide a more detailed understanding of best practice approaches to the prevention, diagnosis and management of ARF & RHD
- Administering BPG
- WA orientation

# **RHDA E-LEARNING MODULES**



- Easy to use
- Track results

# **SMART PHONE APPS**





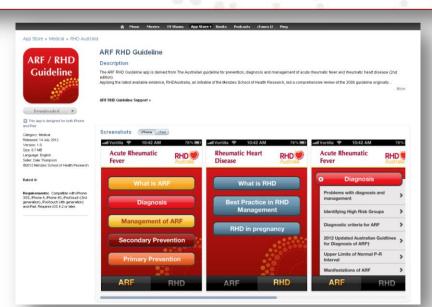
Australian guideline for prevention, diagnosis and management of acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease (2nd edition). 2012.



This application is for general information only. The information contained here is derived from The Australian guideline for prevention, diagnosis and management of acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease (2nd edition) and refers to high risk groups. In Australia high risk groups include Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders, particularly across central and northern Australia. Pacific Islanders and migrants from countries with a high prevalence of RHD are also known to be at high risk.

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# **Guideline & Diagnosis Calculator APP**

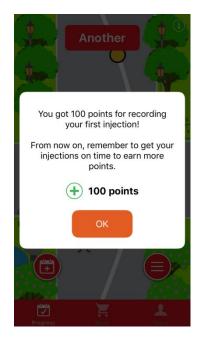




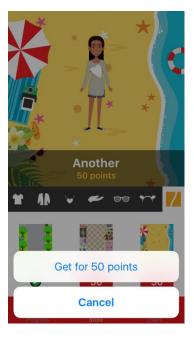




















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# **Supporting RHD Programs**



#### **IMPORTANT HEALTH MESSAGE VIDEO**

Short film carries important health warnings and information about preventing ARF & RHD.

The film is available in languages:

English, West Kimberley Kriol, Warlpiri, Burarra, Anindilyakwa, <u>Pitjantjatjara</u>, Yolgnu Matha, Tiwi, Murrinh Patha, Kunwikjku, Arrente

YouTube versions available via <u>RHDAustralia website</u>.

#### **RHDAustralia FACEBOOK PAGE**

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 ✓ Enjoy: Share stories and create community around rheumatic heart disease.



## **RHDAustralia NOW**

- Revision and expansion of the ARF and RHD guidelines
- Development and Implementation of national education and training resources
- Supporting health systems to achieve evidence based best practice for focused prevention activities

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https://www.rhdaustralia.org.au/





## RHEUMATIC HEART DISEASE (RHD) NEGLECTED NCD OF POVERTY

Rheumatic heart disease is a sentinel condition of poverty and of health inequality; its persistence marks the failure of our health systems to address the NCDs of the poor.

Professor Bongani Mayosi | South Africa

