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Practice Nurse
Ms Debbie Kimber
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Dear Ms Kimber, (*Debbie*)

Re: **General Practice based research into whiplash injury.**

Thank you for your participation in this research into whiplash management in general practice.

Dr Tracy Cheffins visited your practice recently to discuss the **MAA Whiplash Guidelines – GP Summary** and provide the following on CD for health professionals and patients:

- Summary Guidelines for the Management of Acute Whiplash-Associated Disorders for Health Professionals
- Your Guide to Whiplash Recovery in the first 12 weeks after the accident

The website link for this information is <http://www.maa.nsw.gov.au/default.aspx?MenuID=115>

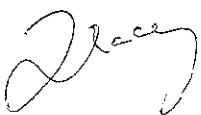
Please find enclosed a summary of aggregated results of the audit of whiplash cases undertaken by practice nurses in several NQ practices.

The final component of this research study will be a brief follow-up telephone interview with GPs to gain feedback on the usefulness of the guidelines. This will be undertaken by Margaret Spillman in 2-3 months. Margaret is a member of the North Queensland Practice Based Research Network (NQPBRN) research team who undertook the initial interviews.

You are reminded that on completion of the project participating GPs can apply to the RACGP for 40 Category 1 CPD points.

if you have any queries about this research study or the NQPBRN please contact me at tracy.cheffins@jcu.edu.au.

Yours sincerely



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