

## ADGP board nomination

### Curriculum Vitae - Dr Christopher Pearce

**Divisional:** Dr Pearce has been involved with the divisional movement since its inception. He was a foundation member of the North-East Victorian (rural) Division, and was its first chair. During this time he became involved in a number of representational activities. Through the Victorian rural divisions co-ordinating unit he became involved in the national satellite program, and then was the rural divisions nominee to the Federal Governments Information Management Strategy Group, the forerunner to the General Practice Computing Group (GPCG). In 1999 he was voted as a rural representative to GPDV. On moving to Melbourne in 2000 (and thus becoming “urban”) he joined Whitehorse division’s board, and was nominated onto the ADGP board in 2002 by the Victorian urban divisions. He is currently the chair of ADGP’s finance committee, and their nominee to the management committee of GPCG (of which he chairs GPCG’s Evaluation and Monitoring working group). Within ADGP he has been working on greater financial accountability, as well as promoting practice nurses, information management issues, education and research.



**Medical:** Dr Pearce was a fully procedural GP in a small rural town in Victoria for 13 years. After a sabbatical in Canada, he moved to Melbourne in 2000. He maintains a clinical practice in general practice, as well as procedural work in a Melbourne hospital. Whilst in the country he became active in the RACGP’s training program, and was a regional coordinator for both an urban and a rural region. He holds fellowships in the RACGP and ACRRM, as well as a Masters degree in Family Medicine from Monash. Principally at the moment he is studying for a PhD at Melbourne University, looking at aspects of the Doctor-Patient Relationship and computers. He has published articles in Australian Family Physician on general practice training.

His experience makes him eminently qualified for the position. He has shown leadership at a local, state and national level. He has an excellent understanding of corporate governance issues, and has worked strategically with a number of organisations. Since being on the board of ADGP he has communicated regularly by Email, and is keen to listen and promote the networks views on a range of topics, He sees a priority over the next few years to promote capacity within the network to enhance general practice in its crucial role in the primary health care system.

Whitehorse division strongly recommends him.