Do you ever wonder which respiratory viruses are circulating in your community?

Influenza, Pertussis, and Mycoplasma Pneumoniae all require different treatments and approaches to management.

Join ASPREN today and
• swab test 25% of patients presenting with fever, cough and fatigue—at no cost to you or the patient.
• receive priority notification of results so that you can treat your patient—fast!
• get first-hand information on the respiratory viruses circulating around Australia, and in your community.

The Curious GP is an ASPREN GP

Mycoplasma

Pneumoniae

Tamiflu

Influenza

Rhinovirus

Antibiotics

Pertussis

Yes is an ASPREN GP

is the National GP Influenza and Infectious Diseases Surveillance Network

We need your help to protect Australians’ from the threat of a pandemic

ASPREN provides state and Commonwealth Departments of Health with information about influenza, influenza like illness (ILI), and other conditions commonly seen in general practice.

Positive influenza samples from our swab testing system are sent to the World Health Organisation and analysed for the emergence of new subtypes and oseltamivir resistant strains.

All data is de-identified and collected in accordance with strict RACGP guidelines

ASPREN data provides a valuable ‘heads-up’ warning to the Government in the event of a pandemic

ASPREN data shows peaks in activity up to four weeks earlier than traditional methods of surveillance, giving the Government more time to plan a response.

We have over 200 reporters Australia wide but require more GPs to achieve better representation. In particular we are seeking GP reporters in rural and remote locations, to enable us to detect disease outbreaks.

Established in 1991, ASPREN is funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing

YOU CAN CHOOSE TO SUBMIT DATA IN ONE OF THREE WAYS:
• AUTOMATED DATA EXTRACTION VIA THE CANNING FLU TOOL, ALLOWS YOU TO SUBMIT DATA AT THE CLICK OF A BUTTON
• WEB-BASED DATA ENTRY
• PAPER NOTIFICATION FORMS
The Curious GP...

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OR TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION
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Up to 80 category 1 and 30 category 2
RACGP QI&CPD points per triennium
(or equivalent ACRRM points).

CONTRIBUTION TO PUBLIC HEALTH
ASPREN GPs are providing an essential
service to their community and the nation.

PANDEMIC PRIORITY
In the event of a pandemic, you may
send all of your patient’s respiratory
virus samples through ASPREN with our
guaranteed 24 hour turnaround time (from
receipt of sample at the laboratory).

GP REMUNERATION
ASPREN GPs are remunerated for each
swab taken. You could earn up to $1,000
per year (dependant on the number of
swabs performed and practice location).
Contact the coordinator (details on the back) to find out more.

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of joining
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