THE SPCNM UPDATE



UPCOMING EVENTS

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Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in term time 7.45 - 8.15 am - YOGA in the Weleda Classroom

20 Sept – Semester 2, Term 3 ends

What are our 2018 graduates up to? This month we catch up with Erica Longstaff.....



Hi, Erica here, 2018 graduate. I wish there was a supplement to give me more time. It's been a very busy few months. I saw my first real paying client a couple of days after graduating. I didn't feel ready, but I said yes anyway. I was sure she'd see I was an imposter. But the consult went smoothly, I just followed the Paua Clinic systems. I spent days researching her case and was nervous presenting my Health Plan. I'm still seeing this client today, eight months later. Seeing clients takes a lot more time than I'd thought it would. There's always more research required has a different mix of issues.

Whilst I build up my client base, I have a 'bread job. I work in a busy pharmacy as the Store Na in charge of the supplement section. I do the ordering, marketing, staff training etc. It's perfect for now. I get to meet all the company reps and get free products. The staff are supportive of natural medicine. I have most of them on some sort of natural treatment. I learn lots from the customers. It's a good blend of natural and conventional medicine and I get to hand out my business card, to potential new clients.

My suggestions for current students are:

- Don't wait for the perfect time to start seeing clients, just say yes and make it work.
- Be honest with your clients. If you don't know, just say so, and then research the answers.
- Charge RRP on your practitioner only supplements, to cover your time and associated costs. Otherwise you might find yourself out of pocket.

I love working as a naturopath/medical herbalist, living the



Taken from the magazine thisnzlife: Make your own face scrub -

Funny of the month



Irish Wolfhound with subwoofers

The infused oil needs to be made in advance. Chamomile is used because it's very soothing for the skin, especially the face.

INGREDIENTS:

Dried chamomile flowers

Olive oil

1 tsp honey

1 tsp sugar

and moisturising.

Step 1: Half fill a 1-litre glass jar with dried chamomile flowers. Add olive oil, stopping when the level is about 3 cm from the top. Stir, screw the lid on tightly, then set aside, out of direct sunlight, for 4-6 weeks. Shake once a day.

Step 2: Strain through a fine muslin cloth. Pour the infused oil into a glass bottle, label with the name and date, and store in a cool, dark cupboard. This oil can also be rubbed onto the skin to soothe rashes and eczema and used in homemade salves. Step 3: Mix together half a teaspoon of the infused chamomile oil with the honey and sugar. Apply to the face for a soothing, softening face mask. Leave 5-10 minutes before rinsing off