The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners

Oath of Fellowship

of

THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF GENERAL PRACTITIONERS

In acknowledging the privilege of practising medicine through general practice, and in accepting the fellowship of this college, I make this solemn declaration in the presence of my family, friends, colleagues and teachers.

In caring for my patients I undertake to use my knowledge and skill to the best of my ability.

I will actively seek to maintain my skills and abilities throughout my professional life, to practise within those abilities and to contribute, wherever possible, to the advancement of the science of general practice.

I will continue the teaching ethos which has supported my own training, and regularly review the quality of my patient care.

I will seek to enhance the quality of my patients' lives, maintain their dignity, support their carers and treat all people equitably.

I will treat my colleagues and all who contribute to the wellbeing of my patients with courtesy and demonstrate respect for their individual expertise.

I will at all times strive to be worthy of my patients' respect and never abuse their trust or confidence. My clinical decisions will be based on the best possible outcomes for my patients and will not be influenced by personal gain.

I extend these commitments beyond individuals to the health and wellbeing of all people.

May these affirmations guide and inspire me in practising the art and science of medicine as a general practitioner.

The good GP never stops learning.

RACGP