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## **DOCTORS RECOGNISED IN AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS**

The AMA has congratulated all its members named in this year's Australia Day Honours Awards.

More than 35 members of the Australian Medical Association have been recognised for their service to medicine and the community in today's Australia Day Honours list.

President of the AMA, Dr Omar Khorshid, said among them was Clinical Associate Professor Saxon Smith AM, who has been made a Member in the General Division of the Order of Australia.

Dr Khorshid said AMA Fellow Dr Smith is a dermatologist who conducts complicated and often life-saving work for patients with specific needs associated with oncology, renal or neurological conditions.

"Dr Smith has served across several senior AMA roles. He was the AMA NSW President and served on the AMA Federal Council. In 2019, he was admitted as an AMA Fellow in response to his many years of service to medicine and the work of the AMA," Dr Khorshid said.

Dr Khorshid congratulated Dr Margaret Kay AM who has also become a Member of the Order of Australia.

Dr Kay's clinical and research areas of interest include doctors' health and refugee health.

"Dr Kay was the Chair of the Expert Advisory Committee to the national Doctors Health Program for several years. In this voluntary role she assisted delivery of a national service that encourages doctors to enrol with a General Practitioner to manage their own health," said Dr Khorshid.

Dr Kay personally treated other doctors through the program and has been a champion of doctors' health in the medical community and authored peer reviewed publications around increasing the medical profession's need to care for its own members.

The AMA also paid tribute to Associate Professor Gino Pecoraro OAM, who has received a Medal of the Order of Australia for his service to the community through his work as an obstetrician and gynaecologist, with a special interest in high-risk obstetrics.

A/Prof Pecoraro is the immediate past Board Chair of the Federal AMA and a former AMAQ President.

Dr Khorshid said: "On behalf of the AMA I extend congratulations to all the doctors who have been honoured today." AMA members honoured today include:

**AM:**

Professor Prithvipall Singh Bhathal

Dr Catherine Duncan

Associate Professor Robert Farnsworth

Professor Prudence Francis

Associate Professor Leeanne Grigg

Dr Richard Harper

Professor William Heddle  
Dr Geoffrey Herkes  
Dr Margaret Kay  
Professor Alfred Lam  
Professor Helen Marshall  
Professor Peter Morley  
Clinical Associate Professor Saxon Smith  
Professor Elsdon Storey  
Professor Bronwyn Stuckey  
Professor Sandra Thompson

**OAM:**

Clinical Professor Catherine Birman  
Dr Marie-Frances Burke  
Dr Robert Edwards  
Dr Louise Farrell  
Professor Cherrie Galletly  
Professor Kurt Gebauer  
Dr Peter Gianoutsos  
Dr Stephen Godfrey  
Dr Denis Gordon  
Dr Matthew Gray  
Dr Kerry Hancock  
Professor Elizabeth McCusker  
Dr Bradley Murphy  
Dr Gino Pecoraro  
Dr Ramin Samali  
Dr Deborah Simmons  
Dr Harry Stalewski  
Mr Garry Davis  
Dr Conrad Winer  
Dr Furio Virant