

**Australian Medical Association Limited**  
**ABN 37 008 426 793**

42 Macquarie Street, Barton ACT 2600: PO Box 6090, Kingston ACT 2604  
 Telephone: (02) 6270 5400 Facsimile (02) 6270 5499  
 Website : <http://www.ama.com.au/>



**DR TONY BARTONE ELECTED NEW AMA PRESIDENT**

**2018 AMA NATIONAL CONFERENCE - #amanatcon  
 QT Canberra, 25-27 May 2018**

Dr Tony Bartone was today elected new President of the Federal AMA, replacing Dr Michael Gannon whose two-year term has come to an end.

Dr Bartone, the immediate past Vice President of the Federal AMA, is a GP from Melbourne and a former President of AMA Victoria.

In a passionate speech to delegates, Dr Bartone spoke about how the dedication and care that his family GP showed to his father during a serious health crisis inspired him to pursue a vocation in medicine.

“I now want to fight for Australia’s doctors so that they can continue to deliver the same quality health care that my father received,” Dr Bartone said.

“General practice has been systematically starved of funding, putting at risk its very survival.

“The AMA, under my leadership, has the solutions.

“A GP President will send a message.

“Our Health Minister needs to understand the time for rhetoric is over. We need to see real action now.

“We will have a Federal Election in the next year, and I am ready for any early election call.”

Dr Bartone was elected at the AMA National Conference, which concluded in Canberra today. His two-year term commences immediately.

The vote for AMA Vice President is underway.

---

27 May 2018

CONTACT:      John Flannery                      02 6270 5477 / 0419 494 761  
                   Maria Hawthorne                      02 6270 5478 / 0427 209 753

Follow the AMA Media on Twitter: [http://twitter.com/ama\\_media](http://twitter.com/ama_media)  
 Follow the AMA President on Twitter: <http://twitter.com/amapresident>  
 Follow *Australian Medicine* on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/amaausmed>  
 Like the AMA on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/AustralianMedicalAssociation>

Sponsors

