



LIONS VICTORIAN DISTRICTS SKIN CANCER CHECKS AND AWARENESS UNIT

Greetings to all Lions,

Following the recent round of District Convention's, I am delighted to report on behalf of your Steering Committee that all 5 Districts signified their support for the project at their Conventions.

Additionally the 5 Districts also supported the project going forward to the Victorian Lions Foundation(VLF) for consideration by the Councillors. If adopted by the VLF, the project would then come under the financial umbrella of VLF which would bring advantages such as Deductible Gift Recipient Status (DGR) and GST Registration. This would allow Tax deductible gifts to be more readily accessed from Corporates and Philanthropic bodies.

The Financial Management aspects of VLF are well known and will bring credibility to this side of the project.

There has been a Steering Committee meeting for some months now to bring together a sound plan to move forward. One of the critical factors has been is to establish Professional support and sound Personnel training. We have been extremely lucky to have the support and guidance of the West Australian and South Australian operations and this means in many cases we have not had to re-invent the wheel.

To date the following has been achieved:

- 1. Key Stakeholders in the Professional Arena have been identified and we have had discussions with some. Shortly a Position Paper and Invitation will be presented to these Organisations inviting them to be part of an Advisory Committee to the Management Board**
- 2. Training of Dermoscopists to carry out the Skin Checks has been considered and we will partner with the W.A. program using a Registered Training Organisation using On-Line Training plus a one-day workshop and a period of Supervision. Once this protocol is established, we will be calling for "Volunteers" to participate and hopefully we will get many with a Medical Background such as retired Nursing staff.**



3. We have a Prospectus in final stages of development which includes the Rationale and supporting back ground for the project as well as:
 - a) Full details of unit,
 - b) Proposed Budgets
 - c) Timelines

4. We are also proceeding to have the Project as an Incorporated Body that will provide stability and ownership/control by Lions.

There has been an enormous amount of work done by the Steering Committee on your behalf and I thank each of them for all their hard work to get the project to where it is today.

V1-Lion Phil Clinkaberry and PDG Naga Sundararajah

V2: Delwyn Seebeck, V3: PDG Ian Gration

V5: PDG Pat Mills, V6: PDG Norm Walkington

PID Tony Benbow and V District Governors

WHATS NEXT?

We are going to need your support in the coming months:

We will be seeking funding support once the Prospectus is released

We will be looking for Lions with skills in;

FINANCIAL IN PARTICULAR SOURCING SPONSORSHIP

ADMINISTRATIVE – SECRETARIAL

P.R. AND MARKETING

OPERATIONAL – DRIVERS, DERMOSCOPISTS ETC

We will be publicising these needs in the not too distant future but if you think you have skills, or know of anyone who has let any of the above named Committee know.

THIS IS A GREAT CHANCE FOR LIONS TO PROVIDE A GREAT COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PROVIDE A VERY NOTICEABLE AWARENESS FOR SKIN CANCER AND LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL