



HeartCare Partners

We're introducing a Service Guarantee!

Call—38588600.

The **best care** is of limited use if patients can't access it. Waiting weeks for an acute patient to see a specialist is not best care.

At HeartCare Partners we're doing something about it. We are introducing a **service guarantee**. If you have a patient with an acute, urgent problem, **call us on 38588600** and talk to one of our doctors who will take your call. We will see all urgent new cases within 24 hours, somewhere in the HCP consulting network - usually the same day. Obviously, patients with emergency care problems should travel by ambulance to the Wesley or Greenslopes Private Emergency Centres. We would be more than happy to notify the Emergency Centre and assume responsibility for the patient's care. If a patient has a stable problem needing a new case appointment we will guarantee to see them within 2 weeks.

If one of our "old" patients needs an earlier than planned appointment, for an acute problem or deterioration - **call us** and speak to the patient's cardiologist. We will see them within 7 days. Our vision is to provide the best care and service to our patients and referring doctors.

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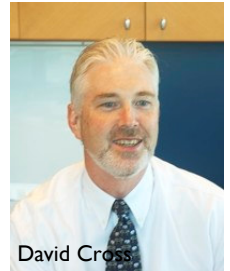
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Geoff Holt

Formed HCP in 1994. Geoff has a keen interest in preventative medicine with an emphasis on cardiovascular disease and weight management. As a keen triathlete his areas of special interest include aviation medicine (participating in a fellowship programme at the world renowned Mayo Clinic) and assessment of the athlete. Geoff continues to offer his skills in the cardiac catheterisation lab and in non-invasive testing. He visits Rockhampton.

David joined Geoff in 1994. David has a keen interest in cardiovascular research. He is on the medical advisory boards of several leading pharmaceutical companies. He directs our research programme. David offers cardiac catheterisation and non-invasive testing. He visits Maryborough and Gympie monthly.



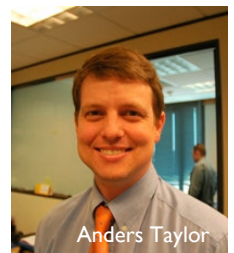
David Cross



Greg Scalia

Greg trained at the Prince Charles Hospital then the prestigious Cleveland Clinic - repeatedly amongst the top 5 USA hospitals. His expertise in Echocardiography is recognised national and internationally. Greg is a frequent invited speaker to the largest American and international cardiac conferences. Greg visits Maryborough/H-Bay, monthly.

Anders trained in angioplasty in Canada before returning to HCP. His diverse interventional skills are often called upon at Greenslopes Private where he sees veterans and private patients. He visits Beaudesert fortnightly.



Anders Taylor



Robert Fathi

Rob trained in coronary and peripheral angioplasty at the Cleveland clinic. His special area of interest is carotid stenting - a clinical trial proven alternative to surgery. He has privileges at The Wesley and Greenslopes Private. Rob visits Hervey Bay monthly and Ipswich.



Stephen Cox

Stephen trained in angioplasty in Australia and Boston, USA. His interests include cardiac and peripheral angioplasty and stenting. His special

area of expertise is the percutaneous closure of atrial septal defects and patent foramen ovale. Stephen visits Kingaroy and Rockhampton.

Ben, like Greg trained at the Cleveland Clinic. He has experience in cardiac CT, but his major interests are stress echocardiography and transoesophageal echo. Ben visits Roma and our Clayfield rooms.



Ben Fitzgerald

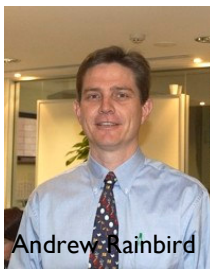


Peter Cain

Peter went to one of the world's leading cardiac MRI centres - Lund Uni. in Sweden. The addition of MRI to his expertise in echocardiography have strengthened the imaging side of

our practice. Peter visits Mt. Ommaney and Ipswich.

Andrew joined HCP after a stint at the Mayo Clinic, USA. His expertise in stress and dobutamine Echo is relied upon to risk assess the many patients with chest pain who are referred to the practice. Andrew also performs coronary angiography and visits Gladstone and Emerald. He consults at Wesley



Andrew Rainbird



Tony Rafter

Tony's angioplasty training was completed in Perth at one of Australia's busiest and most respected centres. His interests include cardiac stenting and intravascular ultra-

sound . He consults at Wesley, Clayfield and Gladstone.

Ischaemic Cardiac Dysfunction—Who needs a Defibrillator?

by Dr. Stephen Pavia.

The MADIT 2 study, published in the prestigious New England Journal of Medicine, showed that patients with ejection fractions **LESS than 35%** were at high risk for sudden cardiac death. This trial of best medical therapy versus an implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) showed an unequivocal improvement in **survival** in the ICD arm.

Patients with prior myocardial infarction, says Dr. Stephen Pavia, should be assessed with an echocardiogram to quantitate the degree of left ventricular dysfunction. Those patients should receive best medical care, including an ACE inhibitor and beta-Blocker, and be considered for an ICD.

Patients should be referred to a **trained Electrophysiologist** for assessment and thorough discussion of the potential risks and benefits.

The match-box sized device is placed and tested under anaesthetic, just like a pacemaker.

Most patients are discharged the next day.

The device is interrogated at 6 weeks and then 6 monthly thereafter.

Stephen is a trained Electrophysiologist with extensive experience in the implantation and management of cardiac rhythm disturbance.

Please contact Stephen on —**38588600**

Visit our website—

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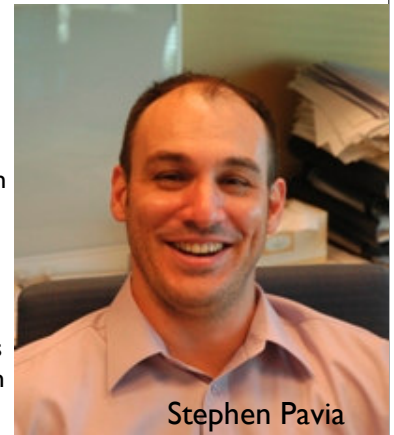
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Stephen Pavia

Stephen ventured to the Cleveland clinic to hone his skills in electrophysiology - pacing, defibrillators and ablation. His practice revolves around cardiac rhythm disturbance and the prophylactic treatment of heart failure patients who are at high risk for sudden cardiac death.