

# Refugee Health Fellows 2019

## The Victorian Department of Health and Human Services funds refugee health fellow positions to build capacity across the State to improve refugee and asylum seeker healthcare

The fellows' roles include:

- Improving coordination of refugee and asylum seeker healthcare
- Providing advice and liaison about clinical issues in people who are refugee background/asylum seekers
- Providing education on refugee health and asylum seeker healthcare

Fellows are happy to speak to either large or small groups, and can travel to outer metropolitan or regional areas if required. They can provide information across a variety of topics, and are happy to compile information on emerging issues, as needed



### The Royal Melbourne Hospital

#### Dr Janet Pasricha and Dr Joanne Gardiner

Dr Janet Pasricha is based at the Victorian Infectious Diseases Service (VIDS), Royal Melbourne Hospital and the Doherty Institute, Parkville.

Janet is an Infectious Diseases Physician completing a PhD in Tuberculosis (TB) immunology which she undertook in Oxford, United Kingdom. Janet has an interest in global and refugee health.

Dr Joanne Gardiner is a General Practitioner (GP) with a special interest in refugee mental health who also works in community health and at Foundation House. She runs a Refugee and Asylum Seeker GP clinic on Tuesday mornings at VIDS for refugee health assessments, complex problems, mental health and those not linked into a GP.

**Available** Tuesdays and Thursdays (Janet) and Monday–Friday (Joanne)

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### Monash Health

#### Dr Mark Timlin

Dr Mark Timlin is a GP at Monash Health Refugee Health and Wellbeing in Melbourne's South East. He has extensive experience in refugee health, having spent time in Afghanistan, and has a particular interest in mental health.

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### The Royal Children's Hospital

#### Dr Marianne (Maz) Safe and Dr Ingrid Laemmle-Ruff

Dr Ingrid Laemmle-Ruff and Dr Marianne (Maz) Safe are general paediatric trainees and fellows with the Immigrant Health Service (IHS) at the Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) Melbourne. They provide clinical care for children of refugee and asylum seeker background during the IHS Monday afternoon clinic. They provide outreach clinics in Footscray (Maz) and Preston (Ingrid). They also support other child-related services (early intervention, schools,

maternal child health nurses, allied health, etc.). They have strong interests in international child health, medical education, public health and paediatric emergency care.

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