

PROGRAM

(Provisional program as at 1 August 2016 – note that the program may be changed without prior notice.)

Thursday, 8 September

10 am to 4 pm Systems thinking for collective impact

A pre-Symposium workshop presented by Professor Steven Allender, Deakin University

5:30–7 pm **Symposium welcome**

Featuring guest speakers, music and entertainment

Mr Jason Trethowan, Chief Executive Officer, Western Victoria PHN and Member Western Alliance Governing Council

Ms Jackie Crowe and Mr Rob Knowles AO, National Mental Health Commissioners

Jan van de Stool, 'Inspirational Speaker' and MC

In Full Swing jazz trio

Dr Nick's Magic

Friday, 9 September

8:15–9 am Breakfast at Lady Bay Resort restaurant (delegates' own expense)

9:15-9:55 am Registration, tea/coffee available

10 am Opening

Professor David M. Ashley, Executive Director, Western Alliance

Welcome address

Professor Belinda Moyes, Chair, Western Alliance and Chief Executive Officer, Barwon Health



Keynote address Chronic disease prevention: Building a system that is more than the sum of its parts

Associate Professor Sonia Wutzke, Deputy Director, Australian Prevention Partnership Centre

10:50 am Morning tea

11:05 am SCIENTIFIC SESSION A – Regional research update

Chair: Dr Lana Williams, NHMRC Career Development Fellow, Deakin University

Ageing, Chronic Disease and Injury (ACDI): A study in western Victoria

Professor Julie A. Pasco, School of Medicine, Deakin University

Engaging 'hard to reach' rural populations in bowel cancer screening: Alignment with systems thinking

Dr Margie Morrice, SouthWest Healthcare and Deakin University

Hidden in the system: Prevalence of cognitive decline in older adults presenting for surgery in a rural hospital

Dorothy McLaren and Dr Mirella Di Benedetto, Western District Health Service and RMIT University

11:55 pm SCIENTIFIC SESSION B — Systems approaches to prevention of obesity and diabetes

Chair: Professor Penny Paliadelis, Executive Dean, Faculty of Health, Federation University Australia and Member Western Alliance Governing Council

A feasibility study for screening of diabetes in the oral health setting

A/Prof Margaret Rogers, University Hospital Geelong, Barwon Health

Using systems thinking to drive a community based obesity intervention initiative Clinton Thomas, Southern Grampians and Glenelg Primary Care Partnership

YCHANGE: Yarriambiack – Creating healthy, active, nourished generations Ngareta Melgren, Rural Northwest Health

12:30pm Lunch and poster presentations



1:15 pm Research methods: workshops and short presentations

Room 1 Room 2

Chair: Professor Frances Quirk, Director of Chair: Dr Renée Otmar, Western Alliance Research, Barwon Health

A systems thinking approach to analysing falls data – a discussion

Dr Anna Wong Shee and Ms Alison Eldridge, Ballarat Health Services

Reducing suicide stigma – the ripple has started

Dr Alison Kennedy, National Centre for Farmer Health, Western District Health Service

New research in the pipeline in western Victoria

Introduced by Prof David Ashley

Mixed-methods research in the health setting: An introductory workshop

Dr Kaye Knight, Learn PRN and La Trobe University

2:30 pm Afternoon tea

2:45 pm SCIENTIFIC SESSION C – The health system end-to-end: Global, national, local and individual approaches to health service delivery

Chair: Dr Tim Denton, General Practitioner and Chair, Kardinia Health

Systems approach to improve farmer health locally, nationally and globally Professor Susan Brumby, National Centre for Farmer Health, Western District Health Service and Deakin University

A methodology of change for community participation in improving health outcomes John Aitken, La Trobe Rural Health School

Rural Emergency Departments: Where do they fit in the Victorian health system

Dr Tim Baker, Centre for Rural Emergency Medicine, Deakin University and SouthWest

Healthcare

Cooperation not competition: Understanding collaborative practice between rural paramedics, nurses and doctors

Kate Kloot, Centre for Rural Emergency Medicine, Deakin University

Using a systems perspective to redefine the role of the rural clinician Dr Kaye Knight, Learn PRN and La Trobe University



3:45 pm Plenary – The future of health and medical research in western Victoria and regional Australia: Western Alliance update

Professor David M. Ashley, Executive Director, Western Alliance, Director Cancer Programs, Barwon Health and Chair in Medicine, Deakin University and Barwon Health

4:15 pm Closing address

Professor Brendan Crotty, Executive Dean, Faculty of Health, Deakin University and Founding Member, Western Alliance Governing Council

4:30 pm Close

