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DAY 1—WEDNESDAY, 26 APRIL 2017

8.00 am

Registration desk open

Foyer

Pre-conference events

- **Breast cancer treatment, care and looking after yourself**, Breast Cancer Network Australia, 10.00 am – 3.30 pm
 - **Multidisciplinary pain management workshop**, North Queensland Persistent Pain Management Service, 8.00 am – 3.30 pm
 - **Primary Health Care Rural PHN Workshop**, NRHA/North Qld PHN, 9.30 am – 3.30 pm
 - **Otitis media and aural health care program**, The Benchmark Group, 8.15 am – 3.30 pm
 - **Infections in rural and remote Australia**, Queensland Statewide Antimicrobial Stewardship Program, 8.00 am – 3.30 pm
 - **Rural Pharmacy Support Network Meeting**, 12.00 pm – 3.30 pm
 - **Australian Rural Health Education Network Board meeting**, 9.00 am – 3.00 pm
 - **Rural and remote workforce sustainability, is it possible?**, JCU, ANMF, CRANaplus, ACN, ACM, 9.30 am – 12.00 pm
 - **Culturally safe and responsive health care workshop**, CATSINaM, IAHA, AIDA, NATSIHWA, 1.00 pm – 3.30 pm
 - **Up Beatz—drumming for connection and community**, Velvet Eldred, ARC Disability Services, 10.00 am – 12.00 pm
 - **Theatre making for social change**, Avril Duck, 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm
 - **National Disability Insurance Scheme opportunities and pitfalls**, Disability Consulting Services, 9.30 am – 3.00 pm
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 Pacific Hotel Cairns
 43 The Esplanade

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2.00 pm –
4.00 pm

EXHIBITION OPEN

Exhibition Hall

3.30 pm –
6.40 pm

OPENING SESSION 1: ACCESS, ESPECIALLY FOR THE VULNERABLE

Halls A&B

- 3.30 pm Smoking ceremony on the lawn (please take a leaf from registration desk with you to the smoking ceremony)
- 4.00 pm Welcome to Country, Gudju Gudju
- 4.10 pm Performance by Biddigal Dance, ARC Disabilities and rEvolve
- 4.30 pm Welcome from **Councillor Bob Manning**, Mayor of Cairns
- 4.35 pm Welcome and official opening of 14th National Rural Health Conference, **Geri Malone**, Chair, National Rural Health Alliance
- 4.45 pm Hopes and expectations of the 14th Conference, **Catherine McGrath**, Conference MC
Panel: **Martin Lavery**, Chief Executive Officer, Royal Flying Doctor Service
Ian Wronski, Deputy Vice Chancellor, James Cook University
Clare Douglas, Chief Executive, Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service, Queensland Health
John Wakerman, Flinders NT
- 5.15 pm  **Warren Snowdon**, Member for Lingiari
Co-chairing the Parliamentary Friends of Rural and Remote Health
- 5.30 pm  **Sr Anne Gardiner**, 2017 Senior Australian of the Year
Community champion, connecting cultures and celebrating Aboriginal heritage
- 5.50 pm  **Marcia Langton**, Chair, Australian Indigenous Studies, University of Melbourne
Dealing with the harmful impacts of alcohol: more effective policies urgently required
- 6.10 pm  **Catherine King**, Shadow Minister for Health
Labor's support for improved rural and remote health
- 6.30 pm Welcome to the Sharing Shed
Tanya Lehmann, Recommendations Facilitator

6.40 pm

WELCOME RECEPTION WITH MUSIC BY ALEX LEWINSKI, AND SYBELLA MENTORING BOOK LAUNCH



Exhibition Hall

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7.45 am Dance Games with Owen Allen: A morning warm up for the body, mind, and heart in the main foyer just before you hit the conference sessions. Using simple rules and simple motions to make a neatly flowing group choreography. Fun for beginners and advanced movers alike. Wear flats. Foyer, Convention Centre


8.00 am Registration desk and exhibition hall open Foyer and Exhibition Hall


8.25 am – 10.30 am **PLENARY SESSION 2—THE ECONOMICS OF RURAL AND REMOTE COMMUNITIES** Halls A&B

8.25 am Two short films: What makes me strong; and Invisibility, **Milk Crate Theatre**

8.40 am Housekeeping and introductions, **Catherine McGrath**

8.50 am  **Allan Fels**, Chair, National Mental Health Commission
An economic perspective on the rural and regional mental health challenge











9.10 am  **Mick Reid**, Deputy Chair, Royal Flying Doctor Service
Best bang for buck

9.30 am  **Lesley Russell**, Adj A/Prof, Menzies Centre for Health Policy, Sydney University
The economics of delivering primary health care in rural and underserved areas—what works?









9.50 am Discussion with speakers and the audience

10.30 am **MORNING TEA AND VIEWING OF POSTERS** Exhibition Hall

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11.00 am – 12.35 pm										
CONCURRENT SESSION A										
	A1 Case studies of workforce policies	A2 The business case for telehealth	A3 Meeting community needs	A4 Delivering valued services	A5 Remote communities	A6 Birthing and pregnancy services	A7 Ageing and living well	A8 Reviewing Indigenous healthcare programs	A9 Arts and health	A10 Adapting to changing community needs
ROOM	Halls A&B	Hall C	Hall D	MR1	MR2	MR3	MR4&5	MR6&7	MR8	MR9
CHAIR	Gordon Stacey	Katherine Burchfield	Dorothy Coombe	John Dennehy	John Wakeman	Jenny May	Lyndon Seys	Bruce Simmons	Joan Van Rotterdam	Matt Jones
11.00 am	<p><i>What can we learn about improving retention from five words?</i> Leigh-ann Onnis </p>	<p><i>Telehealth substitution of rural outreach services: an economic analysis</i> Liam Caffery </p>	<p><i>Epilepsy Connect: establishing a telephone-based peer support service in Tasmania</i> Simone Lee <i>The virtual consumer voice: connecting with country consumers online to improve services</i> Melissa Vernon </p>	<p><i>Pain management services: the northern Queensland experience</i> Matthew Bryant </p>	<p><i>Preventing falls through medication reviews in remote Northern Territory communities</i> Helen Bowden</p>	<p><i>Rural care for gestational diabetes: how do we compare?</i> Sheila Cook </p>	<p><i>Media reporting on ageing in rural and regional north Queensland</i> Emma Anderson  <i>Technology to support carers of people with dementia: local and global opportunities</i> Irene Blackberry</p>	<p><i>Community-led Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workforce development solutions</i> Kylie Stothers, Donna Murray</p>	<p><i>Yuwa—art for welcome and wayfinding</i> Alicia Michalanney </p>	<p><i>Delivering an integrated system of care in western New South Wales</i> Louise Robinson</p>
11.25 am	<p><i>Tracking former RAMUS holders by rurality</i> Lesley Jandric </p>	<p><i>Expansion of telehealth in remote northern Australia and the potential for international collaborations</i> Marianne St Clair</p>	<p><i>Working with shared purpose to benefit the community and their health needs</i> Jacki Ward</p>	<p><i>Connecting mental health in South Australia</i> Kim Hosking</p>	<p><i>Providing culturally responsive housing solutions to remote communities in Far North Queensland</i> Chloe Agale</p>	<p><i>What have we learned from the Australian Rural Birth Index study?</i> Lesley Barclay</p>	<p><i>'Mind your Bones'—a targeted educational intervention in a retirement village community</i> Jane Anderson-Wurf <i>Supporting rural/remote Australians in a culturally appropriate way</i> Susan Aiton, Teresa Smithson </p>	<p><i>Health workforce turnover in remote Indigenous communities—who stays, who goes?</i> Deborah Russell </p>	<p><i>Evolution of belief – what happens when a community truly believes in engaged inclusive community</i> Velvet Eldred</p>	<p><i>Clinical governance reform and its implementation: developing a subregional hospital in Victoria</i> Bruce Waxman <i>Consumer-directed integrated diabetes care</i> Rebecca Southurst</p>




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11.50 am	<p><i>Exploring factors affecting uptake of extended scope of practice in rural areas</i> Tony Smith</p> 	<p><i>The CSIRO National Telehealth Trial: significance for rural and remote health care</i> Branko Celler</p> 	<p><i>From protests to plaudits: a small rural health service's community engagement journey</i> Karen Laing</p>  <p><i>Educating Australia's isolated children</i> Judy Sinclair-Newton</p>	<p><i>Immediate pathology results now available for all remote Northern Territorians</i> Brooke Spaeth</p> 	<p><i>Our community driving our health</i> Robyn White, Gavin Mosby, Ted Nai</p>	<p><i>A toolkit for reopening remote birthing services: enablers, barriers, tasks and processes</i> Ruth Stewart</p> 	<p><i>Falls prevention environmental assessment and modification in regional and rural settings</i> Linda Furness</p> <p><i>Heywood Rural Health Community Health Hub</i> Jackie Kelly</p>	<p><i>Conducting research together with remote Aboriginal communities</i> Emily Fitzpatrick, Annette Kogolo</p> 	<p><i>Theatre making for social change—an inspiring approach to using theatre as a community tool</i> Avril Duck</p>	<p><i>Pathways to integrated health care in southern New South Wales</i> Jennie Roe</p> <p><i>Bendigo Health Justice Partnership—addressing the social determinants of health</i> Rob Southgate</p> 
12.15 pm	<p><i>The footprint of University Departments of Rural Health across Australia</i> David Lyle</p>	<p><i>Telehealth within New Zealand</i> Andrew Panckhurst</p>	<p><i>The Right Place: a community initiative that enables streamlined care and services</i> Jennifer Wehnert, Rosie Beardsley</p>	<p><i>Southern Inland Health Initiative delivering significant improvement in health care and infrastructure</i> Melissa Vernon</p>	<p><i>The Goldfields Renal Service journey—six years on</i> Kim Tracey</p>	<p><i>Diabetes screening in pregnancy: failing rural women in Western Australia</i> Julia Marley, Erica Spry</p>	<p><i>Residents living well in multipurpose services—a NSW collaborative</i> Jenny Preece</p>	<p><i>Economic evaluations of Indigenous healthcare programs in northern Australia: a review</i> Mike Stephens</p> 	<p><i>Theatre to engage audiences on social issues that create vehicles for conversation</i> Dianne Wills, Shelley Pisani</p>	<p><i>A time for change—primary health care demonstration sites</i> Beverley Hamerton</p>




12.35 pm Session concludes

12.35 pm – 1.30 pm **LUNCH** Exhibition Hall








1.30 pm – 3.00 pm **PLENARY SESSION 3—LOCAL EVIDENCE FOR LOCAL CONDITIONS** Halls A&B

1.30 pm	Performance: Cha Cha Sam
1.40 pm	Housekeeping and introductions, Catherine McGrath
1.45 pm	 Anne Kelso , Chief Executive Officer, National Health and Medical Research Council <i>Improving rural health through research</i>
2.00 pm	 Trent Twomey , Chair, Northern Queensland PHN <i>Social determinants of health and local governance frameworks</i>
2.15 pm	 Michael Walsh , Director-General, Queensland Health; and Board Member, Australian Digital Health Agency <i>Digital transformation across the health continuum</i>
2.30 pm	Discussion with speakers and audience
2.45 pm	Sharing Shed Update, Tanya Lehmann




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3.00 pm AFTERNOON TEA AND VIEWING OF POSTERS Exhibition Hall										
3.30 pm – 5.05 pm CONCURRENT SESSION B										
	B1	B2 Connectivity	B3 Arts and health	B4 Emergency care	B5 Measuring and implementing health care	B6 Children's programs	B7 Telehealth for people at home	B8 Indigenous healthcare programs in action	B9 Workforce: place and community	B10 Workforce: start them young
ROOM		Exhibition Hall	ARC Cafe	MR1	MR2	MR3	MR4&5	MR6&7	MR8	MR9
CHAIR		Rosanna Lacorcia	Brenda Tait	Helen Conlin	Sabina Knight	Jo McCubbin	Peter Lacey	Sinon Cooney	Heather Keighley	Amanda O'Keefe
3.30 pm		<i>Information session: connect to a better future with nbn</i> Rosanna Lacorcia	<i>Check today, see tomorrow, national Indigenous diabetes-related eye health promotion</i> Nicholas Schubert	<i>Emergency Telehealth Service—innovative model of emergency care for rural Western Australia</i> Melissa Vernon, Beverley Hamerton	<i>Australia's health workforce: geographical distribution and the relevance of a vulnerability index</i> Anna Morell, Maureen McCarty	<i>Starlight Children's Foundation and Earbus Foundation of Western Australia: an impactful partnership</i> Sarah Moeller, Lara Shur	<i>Engaging rural Aboriginal communities through social media to promote healthy lifestyles</i> David Roberts <i>The Diabetes Story: a digital diabetes initiative</i> Tricia Elarde	<i>Mobile Oral Health Centre: community engagement closing the gap</i> Jennifer Floyd <i>Adaptive lasting change: in-house organisational capacity building in remote and Aboriginal health</i> Dominic Sandilands	<i>Are practice locations associated with GPs having school-age children and working spouses?</i> Matthew McGrail	<i>Service learning with a twist: the introduction of regional primary health placements</i> Sandra Walsh <i>Building community capacity and broadening student capabilities through community summer scholarships</i> Jess Law 
3.55 pm			<i>Gender spirit and the sliding scale of sexuality—visual arts in remote communities with health messages</i> Arone Meeks	<i>EMET: providing emergency medicine education and training for rural emergency department teams</i> Sally McCarthy <i>The Great Southern EMET Program</i> Russell Young	<i>HPV self-sampling for cervical cancer screening: engaging under-screened rural and remote Aboriginal women</i> Laurinne Campbell 	<i>Achieving better ear health for Aboriginal children by improving collaboration and communication</i> Elizabeth Barrett, Laurie Clay <i>Eat your peas! A rural interdisciplinary service delivery model</i> Lisa Urquhart 	<i>Reducing medication misadventure: a comparative analysis of telepharmacy and home medication reviews</i> Fiona Hall, Debi Dean	<i>A collaborative approach to enhance primary health care in north-west Queensland</i> Dallas Leon, Stuart Gordon	<i>Regional collaboration in educating our present and future allied health workforce</i> Kathie Lowe, Jacqui Verdon-Meyland	<i>Informing rural practice decision making of urban trained allied health and nursing students</i> Keith Sutton

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<p>4.20 pm</p>	<p>Meet the Editor, Australian Journal of Rural Health Russell Roberts, Jeff Fuller</p>	<p>EMET in FNQ: embedding emergency medicine education in service-driven facilities Lydia O'Meara</p> <p>Improving outcomes from rural trauma—a national rural emergency responder network Tim Leeuwenburg</p>	<p>Health Care Homes: implementing patient centred models of care for people with chronic and complex conditions Janet Quigley</p> <p>A nurse-led bowel screening project: cutting the crap on cancer prevention Shellie Burgess</p>	<p>The Art of Cultural Connection Tim Kelly</p>	<p>Tele-home monitoring in rural and remote health district and Aboriginal Medical Services Monica Murray</p>	<p>Increasing the Aboriginal health workforce in East Gippsland Jane Greacen, Doris Paton</p> 	<p>Informing health and higher education engagement with rural communities: a conceptual framework Debra Jones</p>	<p>Effective rural placements: a national study of experiences amongst multidisciplinary health students William Moorhead Joshua Mortimer</p>  <p>The Victorian Rural Community Intern Training Program Tarah Tsakonias</p> 	
<p>4.45 pm</p>	<p>Engaging rural clinicians in implementing paediatric emergency medicine research findings Elizabeth Cotterell</p> 	<p>Improved diabetic retinopathy screening and monitoring in rural and remote communities Lisa Crossland</p>  <p>Regional variation in disease burden in Australia Michelle Gourley</p>	<p>A school-based service-learning model: what are the outcomes for Aboriginal pupils? Louise Brown, Pascale Dettwiller</p>	<p>Making inroads to understand and improve the acceptability of digital health care Janice Biggs</p>	<p>Emergency patient record access Lucy Falcocchio, Jenny Brabender</p>	<p>Building systems to support safe and sustainable rural health services Stefan Grzybowski</p>	<p>Where are they now? Tracking allied health graduates after rural placements Leanne Brown</p> <p>Building health career aspirations for secondary school students: seed and grow approach Kathryn Naden</p> 		
<p>5.05 pm</p>	<p>Session concludes</p>								
<p>7.00 pm for 7.30 pm</p>		<p>CONFERENCE DINNER: a musical celebration of culture with the Tectonic Big Band Pre-dinner entertainment by Sassy Catz Join delegates in celebrating your rural culture. Venue: Cairns Convention Centre</p>					<p>HESTA </p>		












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6.45 am	Student Recovery Breakfast—all students welcome	Eatos Café 45 Grafton Street, Cairns
8.00 am	Registration desk and exhibition hall open	Foyer and Exhibition Hall
8.45 am – 10.30 am	PLENARY SESSION 4—COLLABORATION ACROSS THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS	Halls A&B
8.45 am	Performance: Soldier's Wife: Deb Suckling, Roz Pappalardo, Jackie Marshall	
8.55 am	A report from The Sharing Shed, Tanya Lehmann	
9.00 am	Housekeeping and introductions, Catherine McGrath	
9.10 am	 Jonathan Sher , Consultant on preconception health, education and care, Scotland <i>Preparing the next generation of rural mothers and fathers</i>	
9.30 am	 Kelly McJannett , Chief Executive Officer, Food Ladder <i>The seed of change</i>	
9.50 am	 Sandra Harding , Vice-Chancellor, James Cook University <i>State of the Tropics project</i>	
10.10 am	Discussion with speakers and the audience	
10.30 am	MORNING TEA AND VIEWING OF POSTERS	Exhibition Hall

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	C1 Extending workforce roles	C2 Workforce continuity	C3 Promoting good health	C4 Medicines in primary care	C5 Drugs and alcohol	C6 The best beginnings	C7 Targeting aged care for rural communities	C8 Eye health	C9 Arts and health	C10 Programs that are going rural
ROOM	Halls A&B	Hall C	Hall D	MR1	MR2	MR3	MR4&5	MR6&7	MR8	MR9
CHAIR	Nicole O'Reilly	William Moorhead	Judy Sinclair-Newton	Tim Kelly	Tim Saal	Jo McCubbin	Mark Diamond	Phil Anderton	Velvet Eldred	Geoff White
11.00 am	<p>Online rural sexual health education for health practitioners: what's important, what's not? Siobhan Bourke</p> <p>Creating a LGBTI specific health service for the transgender community in South Australia Jill Davidson</p>	<p>WANTED: doctors for Mallacoota—a remote community's approach to finding doctors Sara Renwick-Lau</p>	<p>Fat Farmers: consumer-driven health promotion Sally Fisher</p> <p>Be a Bosom Buddy Salon Project: empowering hairdressers to promote screening mammograms Gillian MacSmith</p>	<p>Piloting a novel multidisciplinary telepharmacy medication review service in a rural community Michelle Rothwell</p>	<p>Nothing changes if nothing changes: a remote Aboriginal residential rehabilitation service evaluation Alice Munro</p>	<p>There was movement at the (out)station: developmental screening for remote Aboriginal infants Kelly Paterson</p>	<p>Working towards a timely assessment of dementia Therese Greenlees</p> <p>The best tool to assess frailty in general practice and rural communities Catriona Arnold-Nott</p>	<p>The Victorian Aboriginal Spectacles Subsidy Scheme: providing successful community eye health outcomes Genevieve Napper</p>	<p>Performance and tour collaboration wives of those who have served in military conflict Deb Suckling, Roz Pappalardo, Jackie Marshall</p>	<p>What was learnt when 600,000 people received a digital health record? Anthony Elliott, Renata Danisevska</p>
11.25 am	<p>Paramedicine models: the future for rural and remote Australia Peter O'Meara</p> <p>Workforce redesign to improve access to compression garments services in rural facilities Fiona Hall</p>	<p>Geographic health workforce distribution from 1986: have policies made a favourable difference? Vanessa Ryan</p>	<p>Carer Gateway: providing support for country carers Robyn Linkhorn</p>	<p>The My Health Record opt-out trial: pharmacist continuity of care perspective Georgina Twomey</p>	<p>'Yarning circles' as a community response to ICE (methamphetamines) Stephanie King</p>	<p>Putting connection to culture at the centre of health for Aboriginal mothers and babies—a way forward Margaret Stewart, Elizabeth Ganygulpa Dhurrkay, Helen Milnminydjarrk</p> <p>Navigation, adaptation and collaboration: creating a path for rural service development Deborah Stockton</p>	<p>Rural health and its influence on the GP perspective of dementia Angela Crombie</p>	<p>A common vision: processes supporting regional eye care collaboration Shaun Tatipata</p>	<p>Use of arts for 0–12 year olds to lead change in local communities Andrea Rieniets, Ande Lemon</p>	<p>Context of care: lung cancer at a regional cancer centre Skye Kinder</p>

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11.50 am	<p><i>Scope of practice of East Gippsland nurses and allied health practitioners</i> David Campbell</p>	<p><i>Keeping them here: shifting our focus toward IMG retention, beyond moratorium obligations</i> Ayman Shenouda</p> <p><i>Service continuity and clinical governance support: a role for regional GP relievers?</i> Richard Mills</p> 	<p><i>Primary school teachers' evaluation of school tooth brushing programs in the Northern Territory</i> Julie Satur</p> <p><i>Healthy Agspirations: dynamic partnership make big impacts in the bush</i> Ged Hawthorn</p>	<p><i>The development of medication guidelines for nurses working with palliative care clients</i> Selina Taylor</p> 	<p><i>Alcohol advertising in rural Australia</i> Dorothy Coombe</p>	<p><i>Creating a successful partnership between Aboriginal health workers and allied health staff</i> Lindsey Stewart, Jinnara Tyson, Sarah Crombie</p> 	<p><i>"Going at half speed" – Parkinson's disease in rural and regional Australia</i> Catherine Harding</p> 	<p><i>Ten years of trachoma elimination in rural Western Australia: lessons from the field</i> Hannah Castledine, Alicia Michalanney</p> 	<p><i>Partnerships making a difference</i> Joy Harrison</p>	<p><i>Extending the multipurpose service concept across the lifespan to improve children's outcomes</i> Lois O'Callaghan</p>  	
12.15 pm	<p><i>The road travelled and road ahead for allied health rural generalist pathways</i> Ilsa Nielsen, Scott Davis</p> 	<p><i>The Queensland Rural Generalist Program—quantitative analysis of the first decade</i> Scott Kitchener</p> 	<p><i>Diabetes telehealth for Country WA—partnership approach to chronic conditions</i> Jenny Thompson, Amanda Lee</p>	<p><i>Improving health outcomes through integration of pharmacists into Aboriginal health services</i> Lindy Swain, Lesley Barclay</p>	<p><i>Cultural Social and Emotional Wellbeing Program in Cherbourg and Kuranda</i> Glenis Grogan</p>	<p><i>Rising to workforce challenges: e-PIMH in rural and remote Queensland</i> Naomi Kikkawa, Andrea Baldwin</p>	<p><i>Delivering culturally appropriate aged and palliative care in Cape York: the Apunipima and Catholic Health Australia partnership</i> Annette Panzera, Mark Wenitong</p>	<p><i>Closing the gap: advancing eye health across diverse regions and systems</i> Uma Jatkar</p>	<p><i>Uncle Jimmy Thumbs Up! The Country Kitchens Program: creating capacity through partnerships to improve nutrition</i> Graham Bidstrup</p> 	<p><i>Transforming rural health: equipping managers to be the change they want to see</i> Tanya Lehmann</p> 	
12.35 pm	Session concludes										
12.35 pm – 1.30 pm	LUNCH										Exhibition Hall
12.35 pm – 1.30 pm	<p>Croakey Meet and Greet in the Staying Connected Lounge</p> <p>What are the health issues you would like to see Croakey cover? Would you like to contribute articles, photographs and multimedia content to Croakey? Would you like to collaborate on specific reporting projects with the Croakey team? Have you considered guest tweeting for @WePublicHealth? Croakey publisher and public health journalist Melissa Sweet (aka @croakeyblog) wants to hear from readers and potential collaborators Croakey's website developer and designer Mitchell Ward will also be available to discuss developments in design and technology.</p>										




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1.30 pm – 3.15 pm **PLENARY SESSION 5—CULTURAL COMPETENCE FOR REMOTE PRACTICE** Halls A&B













1.30 pm	Performance: The Songs of the Murray Street Choir, Roz Pappalardo and Will Kepa
1.40 pm	Housekeeping and introductions, Catherine McGrath
1.50 pm	 Kathleen Martin , Lecturer, Indigenous Health, Centre for Remote Health, Flinders University <i>Medicine, health and cultural competence training for remote practitioners- the NT experience</i>
2.10 pm	 Mark Wenitong , Senior Medical Advisor, Apunipima Cape York Health Council <i>Health and cultural competence—remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives</i>
2.30 pm	 Gracelyn Smallwood , Professor of Nursing and Midwifery, CQ University <i>Integrating different world views of health and wellbeing</i>
2.50 pm	Discussion with speakers and audience

3.15 pm **AFTERNOON TEA AND VIEWING OF POSTERS** Exhibition Hall

4.00 pm – 5.35 pm **CONCURRENT SESSION D:**

	D1 Specialist services and support	D2 Upskilling for mental health	D3 Consumer engagement workshop	D4 Telehealth sub-acute care	D5 Research and evidence base	D6 Vulnerable kids	D7 Palliative care	D8 Tuned in health promotion	D9 Arts and health	D10 Social justice
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CHAIR	Linda Richardson	Sarah Lutkin	Melissa Fox	Heather Keighly	Joe McGirr	Jonathan Sher	Julianne Bryce	Martin Laverty	Stephen Gourley	Robyn Williams
4.00 pm	Addressing clinical variance in rural and remote NSW: how telehealth can help! Shannon Nott	Preparing non-government workers to improve the physical health of people living with serious mental health issues in regional South Australia Martin Jones 	Taking consumer engagement to the next level Melissa Fox	Expanding rural service delivery through emerging technologies Karen Dixon	A better MBS for rural and remote Australians Tim Usherwood	Impact of Indigenous-led research on foetal alcohol spectrum disorder practice and policy Elizabeth Elliott Working together to improve autism diagnosis in a rural community Catherine Bourke 	Implementing a palliative approach to care in remote New South Wales Emily Saurman After-hours palliative care project in the Loddon Mallee region Carol Parker	Healthy Utopia Mob, Brighter Futures Amanda Hand	The rural art palette in recovery: light and dark in a journey of arts and mental health Lee Martinez	Providing socially accountable medical education: student perceptions from two Australian medical schools Janet Richards, Robyn Preston 

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4.25 pm	<p><i>Rural specialists: their nature of work and job satisfaction, by town size</i> Belinda O'Sullivan</p>	<p><i>Assessing and treating gambling disorder in rural communities in Victoria</i> Nicholas Place</p> <p><i>A Co-Ordinated Approach to Local Disordered Eating Services: ACOLADES</i> Heidi Drenkhahn</p> 	<p><i>Rural and remote stroke survivors' perspective on recovery journey: preliminary findings</i> Sarah Jackson</p>	<p><i>Improving rural health: research activity can build capacity and make a difference</i> Lisa Lavey, Deborah Russell</p> 	<p><i>Supporting those working to address the issue of foetal alcohol spectrum disorder</i> Avinna Trzesinski</p> <p><i>Revitalising child development outreach services for children in rural north Queensland</i> Melissa Smith</p>	<p><i>An evaluation of doctors' experiences with 'The palliAGEDgp' smartphone app</i> Paul Tait</p> <p><i>The Double Bed: an end-of-life story</i> Fiona Onslow</p> 	<p><i>'Don't make smokes your story': Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander anti-smoking campaign</i> Jennifer Taylor, Kellie Mastersen</p> 	<p><i>Blackrobats: social inclusive, Indigenous community circus</i> Jillibalu, Kelli Craig, Jenny Sader</p>	<p><i>Rural proofing policy: mental health service in rural New Zealand</i> Michelle Thompson</p> 
4.50 pm	<p><i>Statewide antimicrobial stewardship: what are the enablers and barriers for rural health?</i> Minyon Avent</p>	<p><i>Accessibility and e-learning models of mental health training for rural general practitioners</i> Mary Emeleus</p> 	<p><i>Telecare for kids: supporting children in isolated communities</i> Lindsay Cane</p>	<p><i>The place of research in the rural health workplace structure</i> David Schmidt</p> 	<p><i>Community Healing Project</i> Michael White</p>	<p><i>Newly graduated nurses working in isolation with palliative patients</i> Judith Anderson</p>	<p><i>Listen to the voice of the people: culturally specific consultation and innovation in establishing an Aboriginal Health Program in the west Pilbara</i> Lyn Dimer</p> 	<p><i>Wellness dreaming: focusing on what is strong, not what is wrong</i> Nichole Bloomfield, Karen Ingram</p> 	<p><i>#JustJustice online campaign: enhancing access to Aboriginal-led health-based solutions to incarceration</i> Megan Williams</p> 
5.15 pm	<p><i>Should I stay or should I go? Medical specialists in regional Australia</i> Penny Allen</p>	<p><i>Rural community-based mental health placements: re-contextualising nursing and social work student learning</i> Fiona Little</p>	<p><i>Hub and spoke cardiac rehab telehealth model: improving access for rural people</i> Kellie McMaster, Geoff Witnitz</p> 	<p><i>Engaging rural and regional health services in research: advancing the public health agenda through AHSCs</i> Renee Otmar</p>	<p><i>Empowering Aboriginal families in parenting: Jandu Yani U 'For All families'</i> Cari McIlduff, Catherine Ridley</p> 	<p><i>A national quality of care collaboration to improve paediatric palliative care outcomes</i> Sarah Baggio</p>	<p><i>Capacity building staff to enhance successful quitting among pregnant Aboriginal women</i> Cristen Fleming</p>	<p><i>Channel country ladies day</i> Michelle Reay, Kristy McGregor</p>	<p><i>International lessons in training a fit-for-purpose health workforce for health and growth</i> Sarah Larkins</p>
5.35 pm	Session concludes								
5.40 pm	Recommendations Round Table								
5.45 pm – 6.45 pm	<h3>EXHIBITOR EVENING WITH CAIRNS HARP COLLECTIVE</h3>								
									MR 9
									Exhibition Hall

DAY 4—SATURDAY 29 APRIL 2017

7.45 am Dance Games with Owen Allen: A morning warm up for the body, mind, and heart in the main foyer just before you hit the conference sessions. Using simple rules and simple motions to make a neatly flowing group choreography. Fun for beginners and advanced movers alike. Wear flats. Foyer, Convention Centre








8.00 am Registration desk and exhibition hall opens Foyer and Exhibition Hall

8.30 am – 10.30 am **PLENARY SESSION 6—A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE THROUGH PRIMARY HEALTH CARE** Halls A&B

- 8.30 am Performance: **Natalia Mann**, Cairns Harp Collective
- 8.40 am Housekeeping and introductions, **Catherine McGrath**
- 8.50 am  **Claire Jackson**, Director, UQ-MRI Centre for Health System Reform and Integration, and Professor in Primary Care Research, Primary Care Clinical Unit, University of Queensland
Primary Health Care: Leading Australian Health System Reform
- 9.10 am  **Phil Edmondson**, Chief Executive Officer, Primary Health Tasmania
Lessons from the front line—tackling big system challenges through rural primary health commissioning
- 9.30 am  **Janine Mohamed**, Chief Executive Officer, Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander Nurses and Midwives
How will our history be told?
- 9.50 am Discussion with speakers and audience
- 10.10 am Awards: Des Murray and Friends' Unsung Hero
Presented by **Robyn Williams**, Chair of Friends of the Alliance

10.30 am **MORNING TEA AND VIEWING OF POSTERS** Exhibition Hall

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11.00 am — 12.35 pm CONCURRENT SESSION E										
	E1 International rural health stories	E2 A world of rural health	E3 Food security nutrition	E4 Improving safety, reducing violence	E5 Mental wellbeing	E6 Youth	E7 NDIS disability services	E8 Strengthening cultural safety across services	E9 Arts and health	E10 Improving Indigenous health
ROOM	Halls A&B	Hall C	Hall D	MR1	MR2	MR3	MR4&5	MR6&7	MR8	MR9
CHAIR	David Lyle	Tony Hobbs	Kelly McJannett	Geri Malone	Alison Fairleigh	Daniel Mahony	Sheilagh Cronin	Kylie Stothers	Julianne Bryce	Karl Briscoe
11.00 am	<p><i>Network of networks: refugee health in rural and regional Queensland</i> Vicky Jacobson, Tracey John </p>	<p><i>Physician assistant staffing in a rural New Zealand hospital</i> Ruth Ballweg, Karl Metzler</p>	<p><i>Preventing chronic diseases in remote Aboriginal communities with nutrition and integrative medicine</i> Kate Jenkins, Helen Guyupul</p>	<p><i>Remote health workforce safety and security: problems and solutions</i> Rod Menere</p>	<p><i>Working in the third space: bridging between cultures in Aboriginal mental health</i> Sharon Clews</p> <p><i>Mental wellbeing in rural communities: a capacity building approach</i> Carmel Marshall</p>	<p><i>The ARCHER study of health and wellbeing in young rural Australians</i> Georgina Luscombe, Catherine Hawke  </p>	<p><i>Improving disability services for remote area Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people</i> Steve Fisher, Maureen Abbott</p> <p><i>Adults with a disability living a good life in the NPY Lands</i> Heather Jensen</p>	<p><i>Building cultural bridges and two-way understanding: Aboriginal people leading mainstream health</i> Joanne Harrison-Clarke, Felicity Johns</p> <p><i>Your Footsteps, Our Future: Aboriginal mentorship program</i> Russell Simpson </p>	<p><i>A remote health story: Rob and Stella live in Nabvana</i> Janie Smith</p>	<p><i>Culturally respectful health care and findings from participant evaluations</i> Denise Hampton </p>
11.25 am	<p><i>Sustaining farm families from Australia to Alberta: a model that works</i> Alison Kennedy</p> <p><i>AusMAT: challenging practice in an austere environment post sudden onset disasters</i> Amanda Gill</p>	<p><i>The challenges of working in resource-poor settings: a Médecins Sans Frontières perspective</i> Lisa Searle</p>	<p><i>The Country Kitchens program: creating capacity through partnerships to improve nutrition</i> Louise van Herwerden</p>	<p><i>What about remote area nurse safety?</i> Heather Keighley</p>	<p><i>A collaborative approach to suicide prevention: the Townsville Suicide Prevention Network</i> Alison Fairleigh</p>	<p><i>A first for Ferdy's: our tertiary level research experience on Palm Island</i> Carcia Nallajar, Christine Cannon </p>	<p><i>NDIS: I've seen the future</i> Roland Naufal</p> <p><i>Online disability training and individual support for service providers in rural New South Wales</i> Genevieve Johnsson</p>	<p><i>Campus and rural experiences: effecting systemic change in Indigenous health care delivery</i> Rosalie Thackrah</p>	<p><i>Community cultural development across Far North Queensland with a health focus</i> Jenuarrie</p>	<p><i>Telepharmacy and chronic kidney disease—a making tracks investment strategy</i> Laura Johnstone </p>

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11.50 am	<p><i>Five years of ADI integrated rural health patrols in New Ireland, Papua New Guinea</i> Bronwen Morrison</p>	<p><i>Community Apgar: international comparison of community capabilities to recruit and retain physicians</i> David Schmitz, Daniel Terry</p>	<p><i>Using social enterprise to counter the effects of climate change and food security</i> Lisa Sommerville</p>	<p><i>Responding to staff affected by domestic violence: rural health leads the way</i> Jacaline Kelly, Therese Lajtar</p> 	<p><i>Pathways to prevention: closing the gap in Indigenous suicide intervention pathways</i> Bushra Nasir</p> 	<p><i>Towards an Indigenous youth-led strategy: building research capacity in vulnerable youth</i> Lynore Geia, David Lindsay</p>	<p><i>Rollout of the NDIS in Queensland: observations from the field</i> Sarah Venn</p>	<p><i>Vision to reality: implementing Aboriginal cultural security in the Northern Territory</i> Deb Butler, Kelly Cork-King</p> 	<p><i>Indigenous theatre production: Proppa Solid</i> Suellen Maunder, Mark Sheppard</p>	<p><i>Collaborative home medicine reviews in Aboriginal health: maximising medicines management, mitigating misadventure</i> Pippa Travers-Mason</p>
12.15 pm	<p><i>Building a primary care model for rural and remote First Nations</i> Travis Holyk, John Pawlovich, Warner Adam</p>	<p><i>The world in East Arnhem</i> Lucas de Toca</p>	<p><i>Food insecurity in Australia</i> Fiona Brooke</p>	<p><i>Recognising and responding to domestic violence: exploring the role of student dentists</i> Felicity Croker, Ann Carrington</p> 	<p><i>A new approach to psychological support for Aboriginal clients with complex needs</i> Paul Thornton</p>	<p><i>Rural students' experiences of a school-based, early intervention mental health program</i> Madeleine Seear</p>  	<p><i>Telepractice and NDIS: providing specialist intervention for rural and remote families</i> Tracey McCann</p>	<p><i>A yarn about how Aboriginal academics are changing the future</i> Donna Quinn, Vanessa Ryan, Doug Turner</p> <p><i>Continuous quality improvement for cultural responsiveness in rural health care</i> Olivia Mitchell</p> 	<p><i>Valuing social and emotional wellbeing and its place to improve Indigenous health</i> Sandi Taylor</p>	<p><i>IDEAS Van—bringing specialist ophthalmic treatment to rural and remote communities</i> Lyndall De Marco, Kris Rallah-Baker</p>

12.35 pm Session concludes

12.35 pm – 1.30 pm

LUNCH with Yak Yak Yak Youth Arts, Kuranda

Exhibition Hall

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1.30 pm –
3.15 pm

PLENARY SESSION 7—A WORLD OF RURAL HEALTH

Halls A&B

- 1.30 pm **Arone Meeks**, 14th Conference artist-in-residence, presentation of collaborative work produced during the Conference
- 1.40 pm Housekeeping and introductions: **Catherine McGrath**
- 1.45 pm Report on final recommendations from *The Sharing Shed*
Tanya Lehmann, Recommendations Committee
- 1.50 pm  **Tim Costello**, Chief Advocate, World Vision Australia
Advocacy, equity and access around the world
- 2.10 pm  **David Gillespie**, Assistant Minister for Health
Collaboration, integration and innovation—the Coalition Government's ambitious rural health reform agenda from conception to delivery
- 2.30 pm Competition winners, thank you and close
Geri Malone, Chair, National Rural Health Alliance
- 2.40 pm Where to in 2019? 15th National Rural Health Conference
- 2.45 pm Performance by Biddigal Indigenous Performing Arts
- 3.00 pm Welcome to 14th World Rural Health Conference delegates
Bruce Chater, Inaugural Chair, National Rural Health Alliance; past president, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine; Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice
Ruth Stewart, President, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine
John Wynn Jones, Chair, Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice
Lucie Walters, Chair, 14th World Rural Health Conference Organising Committee

3.15 pm

FAREWELL AFTERNOON TEA

Foyer

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

1. *The forging of men*

Owen Allen

2. *Remote primary health care manuals—by the user, for the user*

Lyn Byers

3. *A world of rural health through literature*

Helen Chambers

4. *Variations in survival by geographical location for Australian individuals with colorectal cancer*

Fiona Crawford-Williams

5. *Clinical and economic advantages of a PoCT laboratory in rural medical practice*

Brad Elliott, Peter Merrilees 

6. *Influenza vaccine coverage and practices in rural NSW aged care facilities*

Clinton Gibbs

7. *Safety behaviour and mental health in farmers: trends and implications*

Jane Harte

8. *Patient assisted travel schemes: are they actually assisting rural Australians?*

Rebecca Irwin

9. *Current traits and trends of rural generalist medicine in Australia*

Akil Islam 

10. *Three linked resources promoting quality care in rural and remote practice*

Mary King

11. *Physical Activity Leader Program for people living in rural communities*

Matilda Low

12. *Point-of-care testing for sexually transmissible infections: translating a trial into routine practice*

Tessa McCormack  

13. *Looking over the farm gate; resources to assist rural communities tackling mental health*

Cassie Moore

14. *Point-of-care testing for diabetes management in Papua New Guinea*

Lara Motta

15. *Close the Gap on Indigenous smoking: a rural community best practice approach*

Rebecca Presser

16. *“They live the place up!” Tasmanian rural general practice medical student placements*

Lizzi Shires


17. *Targeted children’s health workforce and service planning: the Australian Early Development Census*

Sarah Venn

18. *Diversity and inclusion addressing the barriers: a collaborative approach*

Sandra Saxton

19. *Training and support for telehealth implementation in Queensland allied health services*

Melody Shepherd 

20. *Bridging the gap: rural palliative care support for dying at home*

Evelien Spelten

21. *A practical and innovative model for managing chest pains in rural/remote hospitals*

Olivia Stapleton

22. *Arts therapy: changes to systems through alternative health and wellness program*

Jennifer Stirling

23. *Rural Australian paramedics’ experience of occupational violence*

Brodie Thomas 

24. *Farmers aren’t seeking help for mental health: Their partners tell us why*

Caitlin Vayro

25. *The provision of culturally secure services in rural and remote Western Australia*

Vanessa Vidler 

26. *Capturing all ages: health promotion approaches in central west Queensland*

Cassandra Whatley 

27. *Tackling complex social issues through system change: a descriptive case study*

Tara Williams 

28. *Evaluating oral health literacy of rural teens*

Ethan Zappala, Eden Ambrose, Thomas Meath 

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