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# Policy forum and call for commitment

## Why has dental health been getting the brush off?

Wednesday, 15 August 2012  
The Brassey Hotel, Barton, ACT

### PROGRAM

9.00am	<b>Registration and coffee</b>
9.20am	Welcome to Country: <b>Matilda House</b>
9.30am	Welcome and introduction by Facilitator, Paul Dugdale, Director, Chronic Disease Management Unit, ACT Health and Associate Professor Public Health, ANU
9.35am	<b>Panel session:</b> Moving on from the proposals of National Advisory Council on Dental Health and 2012 Budget. <b>Tessa Boyd-Caine, ACOSS:</b> proposals from the National Advisory Council <b>Tony McBride, AHCRA:</b> integrating oral health care into primary care <b>Andrew McAuliffe, AHHA:</b> workforce and the public-private relationship <b>Ian McAuley, Consultant:</b> the economics and politics of the quarantining of the mouth
10.10am	Facilitated discussion
11.00am	<b>Morning tea</b>
11.30am	<b>Keynote 1:</b> What's the hold-up? How to make our advocacy efforts more successful <b>Clive Wright, Immediate-Past Chief Dental Officer, NSW Health</b>
11.50am	<b>Keynote 2:</b> How to keep the issue on the political and media agenda <b>Sue Dunlevy, The Australian</b>
12.10pm	<b>Keynote 3:</b> Unpacking a successful campaign <b>James O'Brien, Victoria/Tasmania Co-ordinator, Every Australian Counts</b>
12.30pm	Facilitated discussion
<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1.40pm	Preparation for small group work: specifying the groups' task
2.00pm	Small group work on sustained advocacy on oral health
<b>3.10pm</b>	<b>Afternoon tea</b>
3.30pm	Report back from groups Discussion of plan of action for advocacy
4.30pm	Agreement on a communique and next steps
4.45pm	Close
5.30pm	<b>Note:</b> delegation from organising bodies to deliver communique to Minister Plibersek's Office