

National Dementia Conference-Agenda

Day One - 15/05/2018

8:30 AM	Registration & Morning Coffee
8:50 AM	KEYNOTE INTERNATIONAL VIDEO MESSAGE Living with Dementia Hilary Doxford, Member, Alzheimer's Society & Vice-Chair, European Working Group on People with Dementia
8:55 AM	Opening Remarks from Chair Leanne Emerson, Executive Director Business Development & VIC Regional Director, Dementia Australia
9:00 AM	KEYNOTE What Does a Person with Dementia Look Like? John Quinn, <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Getting the diagnosis and the impact on Me- Challenges I have faced (other than memory) which have impacted me- My state of mind after diagnosis- How and when my attitude to my diagnosis changed- Things I have incorporated into my life to live well with Dementia
9:20 AM	Managing Risk in Older People with Cognitive Impairment Professor Susan Kurrle, Curran Professor in Health Care of Older People, Faculty of Medicine, University of Sydney, Director, NHMRC Cognitive Decline Partnership Centre, Clinical Director, Northern Sydney LHD Aged Care and Rehabilitation Network & Senior Staff Specialist Geriatrician, Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Health Service

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Understanding the Unequivocal Rights of People Living with Dementia: Express Yourself with Behavioural Expression

Leah Bisiani, MHLthSc/Dip Bus/Dementia Consultant/RN.1, Managing Director, Uplifting Dementia

Incorrect perceptions of behavioural expression

Reassessing attitudes and the need to deepen our understanding of dementia to create approaches based on empathy and compassion

Negative labelling is undesirable and harmful, not only to how we perceive people living with dementia, but to how they perceive themselves.

Addressing the unmet need

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The Geriatrician in Practice Project - A Novel Model of Dementia Care

Ms Karen Shepherd, Dementia/Delirium CNC, Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District

Ms Leanne Phillips, Practice Nurse, Shoalhaven Family Medical Centres, NSW

The Geriatrician in the Practice (GIP) model of care was developed to improve the skills in primary care for the diagnosis and management of dementia. It was proposed that this model would improve the confidence of primary health practitioners to diagnose and manage people living with dementia, improve patient satisfaction with their care experience, reduce the need for specialist review and reduce outpatient clinic waiting times at hospital based clinics.

Outcomes have been positive 18 months into the project with patients, carers and primary health providers all being very satisfied with the model. Further beneficial outcomes such as reduced need for specialist review and reduced Emergency presentations have been noted.

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Morning Tea

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Pain in Residential Aged Care Facilities: Management Strategies

Dr Steven Savvas, PhD, B Hlth Sci (Hons), B Ma & Comp Sci, Research Fellow, National Ageing Research Institute

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Dignified Death and Dying: Ethical Issues for Dementia Care

Associate Professor Rosalie Hudson, RN, Dip Arts, B App Sci, B Theol, M Theol, Grad Dip Geront., PhD Honorary Senior Fellow, School of Nursing & Social Work, The University of Melbourne, Adjunct Associate Professor, Charles Sturt University. Consultant educator palliative care, aged care, dementia and spirituality

'She'd be better off dead!' How to transform a hope-less comment into hope-full care

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Ethical care is person-centred: based on contemporary research• Dignity in death and dying derives from evidence based clinical care

Watching our words: dehumanising language for dementia is unethical

Benefit or burden: the two 'big b's' in ethical decision making for death and dying

The paper concludes with a real-life story of transformation at life's end

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PANEL DISCUSSION | The Use & Abuse of Medication

Leah Bisiani, MHLthSc/Dip Bus/Dementia Consultant/RN.1, Managing Director, Uplifting Dementia

Erica Johnstone, Lecturer Nursing, Faculty of Health Sciences, Australian Catholic University & Daughter of person living with Dementia

Professor Elizabeth Manias RN, CertCritCare, BPharm, MPharm, MNurs, PhD, FACN (DLF), MPS, MSHPA, Board Certified Geriatric Pharmacist (BCGP),

Accredited Pharmacist for Medication Management Reviews, Research

Professor, School of Nursing and Midwifery, Faculty of Health, Deakin University

Jenne Perlstein MBBS, BSW Post Grad, AASW (Accred), Grad OSIS, CPE 2,

CMC, Educator & Counsellor, 'Mindful Health Education'

Chemical restraint & elder abuse

How can we evaluate methods of identification and prevention of chemical restraint?

Non-pharmacological interventions

Q&A

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Essence of Self: Looking Beyond the Dementia Diagnosis Within an Acute Hospital Environment
Frances Campbell, Advance Care Planning Facilitator. Dementia care (BA). UTAS, Leisure and Health Therapist (Dip). SCU, Queensland Health GCHHS (Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service)

What gets lost in hospital

The importance of identity and roles

Recognising the person behind the condition

Supporting identity, roles and choice

Challenges experienced

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The CARE Program: An Organisational Education Initiative

Amanda Tuck, Clinical Practice Consultant, Flinders Medical Centre, SA

Jayne Harris, Nursing Director Operations, Flinders Medical Centre, SA

Increasing numbers of older population within Medical Division

Lack of knowledge/understanding of the appropriate management and care requirements of this high risk group

Dementia and delirium education gap identified

Development of a program to address gaps and improve care

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Therapy Based Dementia Care Strategies - Beyond the Clinical

Kylie Jacques, Marketing Manager, Anglican Care

Jane Meldrum, Lifestyle Wellbeing and Diversity Manager, Anglican Care

Development of Directed Action Response Team (DART)

Identification of suitable care recipients

Development of individualized therapy based strategies

Interdisciplinary Team approach for improved care recipient outcomes

Ongoing evaluation of strategies

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PANEL DISCUSSION | Supporting Transitions Between Residential Aged Care Facilities and Acute Care Facilities

Meagan Hartley, Senior Occupational Therapist, Dementia Care (Dip). UTAS, Acute Care of Elderly (ACE) Unit, Queensland Health GCHHS (Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service)

Professor Elizabeth Manias RN, CertCritCare, BPharm, MPharm, MNurs, PhD, FACN (DLF), MPS, MSHPA, Board Certified Geriatric Pharmacist (BCGP), Accredited Pharmacist for Medication Management Reviews, Research Professor, School of Nursing and Midwifery, Faculty of Health, Deakin University

Wendy Walters, Warracknabeal Campus Manager - Aged Care, Rural Northwest Health, VIC

Nerida Pankhurst, Support Officer - Lifestyle, Blue Care Metro South

Sue Mark, Trainer, Montessori Ageing Support Services

What items/information does the person (patient/client/resident) need when requiring a hospital admission?

What does the health service need from a RACF when a person requires a hospital admission?

What does the RACF need following a hospital admission?

What's working well?

Where are the gaps?

How can we support transitions better?

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Networking Break

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Younger Onset Dementia program

Caroline Grogan, S.H.A.R.E. The Care Program Co-ordinator, Centacare Enoggera

Small group outings

Volunteer program

Supporting independence and

Maintaining community engagement

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Caring for the Carers

Cherry Servis, Woodend Lifestyle Carers Group

Understanding the true experience of caring for someone with dementia

The need for respite

Current initiatives for carer support

What is needed now and in future

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A Tool to Support Hospital Care for People with Dementia

Dr Elissa Burton, School of Physiotherapy and Exercise Science, Curtin University

Associate Professor Chris Toye, Faculty of Health Sciences, Curtin University & Research Consultant, Centre for Nursing Research, Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

A brief summary of the study in which family carers of people with dementia, hospital staff members, and the research team worked together to develop the Focus on the Person form.

Findings from piloting of the form with 31 family carers of people with dementia.

Final refinements made to the form after 30 hospital staff members reviewed the information contributed by carers.

The form as it is now and how to access it.

Recommendations for implementation.

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Closing remarks from the Chair

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9:00 AM	<p>Opening Remarks from Chair</p> <p>Leanne Emerson, Executive Director Business Development & VIC Regional Director, Dementia Australia</p>
9:10 AM	<p>KEYNOTE International Keynote Presentation</p> <p>Michael Rossato-Bennett, Writer, Director and Producer of ALIVE INSIDE – winner of the 2014 Sundance Film Festival Audience Award for U.S. Documentary, Founder, The Alive Inside Foundation</p>
9:40 AM	<p>National Evaluation of the Dementia Care in Hospitals Program (DCHP)</p> <p>Associate Professor Mark Yates, Geriatrician, Ballarat Health Services, Deakin University</p> <p>Cognitive Impairment of present in 32% of older patients in Australian Hospitals</p> <p>The Dementia Care in Hospitals Program (DCHP) is a hospital wide communication and awareness raising program linked to an over bedside alert the Cognitive Impairment Identifier that supports patients and families of patients with cognitive impairment.</p> <p>The DCHP can be implemented in acute hospitals at low cost</p> <p>The DCHP improves staff confidence in supporting patients with cognitive impairment and is acceptable to patients and families</p>
10:10 AM	<p>Maintaining Healthy Cognition and Optimising Brain Function in Ageing</p> <p>Professor Cassandra Szoeki, Consultant Neurologist, Centre for Medical Research at The Royal Melbourne Hospital; Director, Healthy Ageing Program, Department of Medicine, The University of Melbourne</p>
10:35 AM	<p>Morning Tea</p>
11:05 AM	<p>New Dementia Research - Disease Modifying Strategies for Alzheimer's Disease</p> <p>Professor Jürgen Götz, Director of Clem Jones Centre for Ageing Dementia Research, QLD Brain Institute, University of QLD</p> <p>Overview of the dementia landscape</p> <p>Basic findings of what causes and drives Alzheimer's disease at a molecular and cellular level?</p> <p>Introduction of ultrasound in the medical space</p> <p>Development of therapeutic ultrasound as a new treatment modality for Alzheimer's disease</p>

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The Impact of Nutrition in Outcome, Disease Progression and Caregiver Burden
Sharon Lawrence, Site Senior Dietitian and Senior CHSP Dietitian, Lower Hunter Community Health Centre, Hunter New England Local Health District

The consequences of weight loss, undernutrition and malnutrition
Energy and nutrients for brain integrity and metabolism
The importance of easing the nutrition burden on caregivers
Nutrition support as an integral part of disease management

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Using Virtual Reality to Engage in Dementia Care
Dr Tanya Petrovich, Business Development Manager, Learning and Development, Dementia Australia Vic Division

Using technology as a powerful tool to engage with audiences e.g. using Virtual Reality (VR) to create immersive learning experiences
The Virtual Dementia Experience™ – the way game technology has been used to engage our audience in understanding dementia
Successful education outcomes through experiential learning, which allows carers to see and feel from another's perspective.
For people living with dementia these technologies have been used to create 'The Virtual Forest' a calming and relaxing experience that has been designed to specifically engage people living with dementia.

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Future Dementia Care and Support for Carers in Rural Australia
Associate Professor Irene Blackberry, John Richards Chair in Rural Ageing and Aged Care Research, Director, John Richards Centre, La Trobe University & Chair, Australian Association of Gerontology Victoria

Challenges and opportunities in delivering rural dementia care
Co-designing dementia care and support for carers in rural communities
Evidence on the role of technology to support carers in rural communities
Development of virtual dementia-friendly communities in Australia

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Participating in Research: For Carers and People Living with Dementia
Janice Besch, Director, NHMRC National Institute of Dementia Research
Dr Kaele Stokes, Executive Director Consumer Engagement, Policy and Research Dementia Australia

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Law, Ethics & Dementia

Janine McIlwraith, Principal Lawyer, Slater and Gordon

This scenario based talk will explore some of the legal and ethical challenges and considerations in working with people living with dementia and their carers. Issues to be discussed include: capacity, consent, substitute decision makers, restraint and discrimination

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Prevalance Study: Advanced Care Planning

Dr Karen Detering, Medical Director, Advanced Care Planning Australia

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Open Discussion & Audience Q&A

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Close of Conference

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