

BRIGHT AND BIG IDEAS

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Presentations listed below are streamed live from the Congress venue at the Gold Coast and recorded for your viewing
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Monday 5 May 2025		
0830-1100	OPENING PLENARY SESSION	
0900-1000	Keynote address one	
Title	Potential benefits of early tapering after remission of a first psychosis; results from the HAMLETT study	
Speaker	Professor Iris Sommer	
1000-1100	Keynote address two	
Title	Data lakes or data billabongs? Using large-scale health system data in Australian mental health care	
Speaker	Professor Grant Sara	
1130-1300	Concurrent session 1	
1A	Old age psychiatry	<p>Clinical Update Improving assessment for elder abuse. Analysis of a national dataset from Aotearoa New Zealand Yoram Barak (30 mins)</p> <p>Clinical Update Exciting developments in the world of dementia Henry Brodaty (30 mins)</p> <p>Clinical Update An update on mood disorders in late life Chanaka Wijeratne (30 mins)</p>
1H	Research	<p>Invited speaker Advancing repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS) treatment of depression Paul Fitzgerald (60 mins)</p> <p>The effectiveness and tolerability of pharmacotherapy for psychosis in 22q11.2 deletion syndrome: A systematic review Maya Tanham (20 mins)</p>
1I	Child and adolescent psychiatry	<p>Invited speaker Temporal changes and early interventions in child and adolescent mental health Andre Sourander (60 mins)</p> <p>Expert considerations in psychedelic-assisted therapy to treat mental health disorders in people under 18: a qualitative review Suresh Sundram (20 mins)</p>
1J	Adult psychiatry	<p>Psychopharmacology and therapeutics update - an expert review Chris Davey, Colleen Loo, Aswin Ratheesh, Dan Siskind (90 mins)</p>
1400-1530	Concurrent session 2	
2H	Mental health research	<p>Invited speaker Mental health research is a team game Stephen Wood (60 mins)</p> <p>Optimising the RELEASE (REdressing Long-tErM Antidepressant uSE) resources: A qualitative think-aloud study with adults with lived experience of long-term antidepressant use Katharine Wallis (20 mins)</p>
2I	Psychedelic treatments	<p>International invited speaker Bringing psychedelic treatments to patients: lessons learned and future perspectives Robert Schoevers (60 mins)</p> <p>Being positive about negative symptoms: translating evidence into practice Frances Dark (20 mins)</p>

2J	Adult psychiatry	The lithium paradox: Increasing evidence, declining use Digvijay Goel, Nagesh Pai, Suresh Sundram, Mohan Isaac (90 mins)
1600-1730 Concurrent session 3		
3H	History and philosophy of psychiatry	Current controversies in human rights and psychiatry Neeraj Gill, Michael Evans, Calina Ouliaris, Melissa Castan, Suresh Sundram (90 mins)
3I	Indigenous mental health	Te Reo Orooro - Growing and understanding psychosis from a lived experience Māori first nations perspective Jason Haitana (20 mins) "Te Reo o te Rongoa Hei miri te Hinengaro me te wairua" - Te Reo in contemporary mental health services Moe Milne (20 mins) Te Tiriti o Waitangi in psychiatric services: Framework for equity Phyllis Tangitu (20 mins) The Ngā Wāhanga E Whitu o te Whakatikatika (seven stages of healing) framework Ron Baker (20 mins)
3J	Adult psychiatry	Extending knowledge and clinical experience on the use of ketamine Natalie Mills, Colleen Loo, Stevan Nikolin, Gregory Carter, Nick Glozier, Shanthi Sarma (90 mins)
Tuesday 6 May 2025		
0830-1030	PLENARY SESSION 1	
0830-0930	Keynote address three	
Title	Indigenous youth mental health initiatives: from community interventions to youth-led innovation	
Speaker	Professor Maree Toombs	
0930-1030	Keynote address four	
Title	Change through the lens of lived experience	
Speaker	Mr James Hill	
1100-1230 Concurrent session 4		
4A	Child and adolescent psychiatry	Clinical Update Exploring the spectrum: autism and associated comorbidities and implications for management Valsamma Eapen (45 mins) Clinical Update Autism in adolescence and young adulthood Sandra Radovini (45 mins)
4H	Indigenous mental health	Improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who experience youth detention Carla Meurk, Marshall Watson, Ed Heffernan, Penny Dale (90 mins)
4I	Military and veterans' mental health	'When the alpha is broken': Critical challenges and complexities in addressing military trauma, veteran mental health, and suicide among veterans and defence personnel in the wake of the Australian Royal Commission's recommendations Ashlea White, James Connor, Ben Wadham, Omer Shareef, Charana Perera, Edwin Elcock (90 mins)
4J	Leadership and management	Developing the mental health facilities of the future Vlasios Brakoulis, David Copolov, Roza Mofid, Vinay Lakra (90 mins)

1330-1500		Concurrent session 5
5A	Lived experience	<p>Invited speaker How depression made a doctor Dinesh Palipana OAM (60 mins)</p> <p>Harnessing ecotherapy and ecopsychology to address mental health in the face of climate change Sabine Egger (20 mins)</p>
5H	Psychotherapy	<p>Invited speaker Dreaming as big idea: an Australian contribution to psychodynamic psychiatry Anthony Korner (60 mins)</p> <p>Mohiniattam: the power of embodied dance and its interface with psychiatry Samir Heble (20 mins)</p>
5I	Neurostimulation	<p>An update on brain stimulation applications in psychiatric disorders Paul Fitzgerald, Deepak Garg, Shanthy Sarma, Salam Hussain, Luke Williams (90 mins)</p>
5J	Private practice psychiatry	<p>Telepsychiatry in private practice - ongoing benefits and challenges Jeffrey Looi, Michelle Atchison, Gary Galambos, Luke Woon (90 mins)</p>
1500-1630		Concurrent session 6
6A	General psychiatry	<p>Clinical Update Lapse to relapse: implications for management of severe mental illness Mohan Isaac, Nagesh Pai (90 mins)</p>
6H	Addictions	<p>Invited speaker Early interventions for alcohol use in young university students Leanne Hides (60 mins)</p> <p>Practitioners' views of comorbid depression among patients seeking assisted dying in New Zealand Eric Zhou (20 mins)</p>
6I	Military and veterans' mental health	<p>Invited speaker Serving your nation: at what cost? Learnings from the Royal Commission into defence and veteran suicide Peggy Brown AO (60 mins)</p> <p>Integrating cultures, enhancing psychiatric care: contributions of the Sri Lankan psychiatrists association of Australia and New Zealand (SLPAANZ) Ratnayake Amaranaya (20 mins)</p>
6J	Psychotherapy	<p>A new kind of methodology for an age-old question: A review of the effectiveness of long-term psychodynamic psychotherapy Bruce Singh, Elizabeth Moore, Ingrid Ozols, Susanna Every-Palmer, Michael Daubney, Peter Fonagy (90 mins)</p>

Wednesday 7 May 2025		
0830-1030	PLENARY SESSION 2	
0830-0930	Keynote address five	
Title	Unchanged since 1990: the devastating global burden of mental illness - time to partner to eliminate disparities	
Speaker	Professor Milton Wainberg	
0930-1030	Keynote address six	
Title	What is the role of ketamine in treating depression?	
Speaker	Professor Colleen Loo	
1100-1230	Concurrent session 7	
7A	Acute and emergency psychiatry	<p>Clinical Update Models of care and partnering with lived experience Yoon Kwon Choi, Honor Pennington, Samuel Walker (90 mins)</p>
7H	Psychotherapy	<p>The roots of antisemitism: towards a psychiatric understanding of the phenomenon Garry Walter, Paul Foulkes, Ron Spielman, Lynette Chazan, George Halasz (90 mins)</p>
7I	Forensic psychiatry	<p>Invited speaker Prison-to-community transition for people with mental illness - what can be done to improve outcomes and prevent re-incarceration Kimberlie Dean (60 mins)</p> <p>The Mental Health Court of Queensland: A shining light in the darkness Scott Harden (20 mins)</p>
7J	Perinatal and infant psychiatry	<p>Invited speaker Thirty-five years of bright lights in perinatal psychiatry Anne Buist (60 mins)</p> <p>Navigating psychosis in mother-baby units: Balancing care and challenges Kannan Kallapiran (20 mins)</p>
1330-1500	Concurrent session 8	
8H	Intellectual and developmental disability psychiatry	<p>Invited speaker Driving change in intellectual and developmental disability mental health: lessons learnt and future directions Cathy Franklin (60 mins)</p> <p>Understanding adolescent sexualized behavior towards animals: A case-based discussion on counterfeit deviance Katherine Watson (20 mins)</p>
8I	Consumer participation	<p>Invited speaker Listening to bright lights: how genuine lived experience can influence psychiatry Simon Stafrace (60 mins)</p> <p>A national survey of the physical health and activity of patients under forensic mental health care Katherine Moss (20 mins)</p>
8J	Indigenous mental health	<p>Invited speaker Approaches to meeting the cultural needs of first nations youth within adolescent forensic mental health services Marshall Watson (60 mins)</p> <p>A cultural information gathering tool to capture our stories and lived experiences across clinical spaces of care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities Katie Papertalk (20 mins)</p>

Thursday 8 May 2025		
0830-0915	PLENARY SESSION 3	
0830-0915	Senior Research Award Winner 2024	
Title	Unequal from the start: early developmental processes and impact on future mental health	
Speaker	Valsamma Eapen	
0945-1045	Concurrent session 9	
9A	Training and education	<p>Strengthening psychiatry training and workforce retention in Tasmania: the impact of the Specialist Training Program (STP) Karen Bevis (20 mins)</p> <p>Workplace bullying of psychiatric trainees: a systematic review Paul Maguire (20 mins)</p> <p>RANZCP Racism Awareness Steering Group Astha Tomar (40 mins)</p>
9H	Neurostimulation	<p>Deep brain stimulation for psychiatric conditions: an update on Australian research and practice Tom Reilly, Sarah Farrand, Philip Mosley (90 mins)</p>
9I	Psychotherapy	<p>Almost two years on, what is the current state of play for psilocybin-assisted psychotherapy (PAP) in Australia? Mike Millard, Susan Rossell, Stephen Parker, Thomas Kennedy, Sigrun Gutjahr (90 mins)</p>
9J	Community, consumer and carer issues	<p>Integration of lived experience/expertise in mental health and specialist services at Gold Coast Health Titta Gigante, James Dunlop, Byron Wallace, Kerrie Banks (90 mins)</p>
1115-1300	PLENARY SESSION 4	
1115-1200	Margaret Tobin Oration	
Title	Reform through rural: leading by necessity	
Speaker	Dr Mathew Coleman	
1200-1245	Senior Research Award 2025	
Title	Opportunities and challenges with new interventions in psychiatry	
Speaker	Professor Colleen Loo	
1245-1300	Congress closing address	