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Working together to explore the role of digital health along the ear health pathway

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# WA EAR AND HEARING DIGITAL HEALTH FORUM

**FRIDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2021 | 7.30AM-5.00PM | PARMELIA HILTON PERTH**

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

*THIS FORUM HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE WA CHILD EAR HEALTH STRATEGY PARTNERS:*



**WA Country Health Service**  
Department of Aboriginal Affairs  
Child and Adolescent Health Service



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CENTRE OF VACCINES  
& INFECTIOUS DISEASES



**WAPHA**  
WA Primary Health Alliance

# INVITATION

Working together to explore the role of digital health along the ear health pathway

Following the June 2021 WA Ear and Hearing Telehealth Forum, health professionals are invited to join us at this one-day event to:

- Continue to explore the role of telehealth and digital health across the patient's ear health journey and lifespan.
- Identify statewide capabilities where telehealth and digital health resources and systems are working well, and where improvements can be adopted.
- Learn practical applications of digital health, including a live demonstration of an ear telehealth consult.
- Learn and identify culturally-inclusive practices for Aboriginal people and families.
- Hear from leading Western Australian researchers supporting ear and hearing health.
- Participate in hands-on interactive upskilling and education on current guidelines and protocols.
- Engage and network with other health professionals and providers working to reduce the burden of ear disease.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Clinical practitioners (GPs and nurses)
- Aboriginal health workers and practitioners
- audiologists
- ear, nose and throat (ENT) surgeons
- ear health coordinators
- primary healthcare service providers
- researchers.

### PLEASE NOTE:

Attendance at the June 2021 WA Ear and Hearing Telehealth Forum **is not a requirement for registration.**

## FORUM REGISTRATION

**\$120 including GST**

*Includes registration to the Networking Sundowner.*

**To register, visit**

**[ruralhealthwest.eventsair.com/wa-ehdhf/register](https://ruralhealthwest.eventsair.com/wa-ehdhf/register)**

## TRAVEL SUPPORT

You may be eligible for travel support if you are registered to attend the Rural Health West Aboriginal Health Conference 2021 held at the Parmelia Hilton Perth on Saturday 20 November and Sunday 21 November 2021.

To find out more about the Rural Health West Aboriginal Health Conference 2021 and travel support, visit **[ruralhealthwest.eventsair.com/2021-ahc](https://ruralhealthwest.eventsair.com/2021-ahc)**

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## COLLABORATING IN CARE

We acknowledge that collaborative working partnerships across the ear health system are key to ensuring positive change and encouraging interdisciplinary practice to build stronger healthier communities throughout Western Australia (WA).

### ABORIGINAL COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND RURAL HEALTH WEST

Rural Health West and Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia (AHCWA) administer the Ear Health Coordination Program in WA. Our teams work collaboratively with primary healthcare clinics and other stakeholders to identify and support activity needed to improve ear health.

### WA CHILD EAR HEALTH STRATEGY 2017-2021

The WA Child Ear Health Strategy has been developed to tackle ear disease amongst children, particularly in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in WA. It provides a road map for better care through multi-agency service planning, strengthened community focused partnerships, alignment of funding, and better coordination.

To view the Strategy, visit **[indd.adobe.com/view/75d7f49b-f774-411e-952c-2b9102c9c75d](https://indd.adobe.com/view/75d7f49b-f774-411e-952c-2b9102c9c75d)**

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8.00am	Welcome ..... Welcome to Country
8.15am	<b>Keynote speaker</b> <b>To be confirmed</b>
8.45am	<b>Setting the scene culturally – panel discussion</b> This session will allow delegates to participate in a panel discussion focusing on how to integrate and coordinate culturally appropriate care for Indigenous patients and families along the ear health pathway. It will be an opportunity to identify and discuss cultural protocols, clinical governance and how to integrate a service within an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service.
9.30am	<b>Telehealth in action</b> This session will give delegates the opportunity to be involved in a live and interactive demonstration of a telehealth consultation between specialist and patient. Demonstration to include: referral pathways; telehealth in the workflow; using equipment; and patient record systems.
10.15am	Morning tea
<b>Setting the digital health scene in WA</b>	
10.45am	<b>My Health Record and Digital Health Agency</b> This session reviews My Health Record specific to ear and hearing health outcomes and highlights the benefits for healthcare providers and patients. Hear how My Health Record has been integrated into the Hedland Communities of Digital Excellence project.
11.15am	<b>Principles of data management integration</b> Highlighting the recent achievements of two service providers' collaboration in data collection and reporting. Hear how WA Country Health Service and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services are collaborating on a pilot project to record and manage ear and hearing health outcomes.
11.45am	<b>Telehealth success from the region</b> Hear from health practitioners in the region who are applying telehealth to improve ear health outcomes.
12.15pm	<b>Digital health in other fields – success stories</b> Exploring how digital health has successfully been used in other health fields.

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4.45pm	<b>Closing address</b>				
5.00pm	<b>NETWORKING SUNDOWNER</b> <i>Includes complimentary drinks and canapés</i>  Network and connect with your peers, colleagues, specialists and presenters at the close of the November 2021 WA Ear and Hearing Digital Health Forum.  <b>You can register for this event when registering for the Forum.</b>				