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MENTAL HEALTH NURSING:

**Our Identity,
Influence,
and Impact**

Wednesday 10 September 2025

Conference Day 1: Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

0800-1700	Speakers' preparation		Convenors' Office
0800-1700	Registration, exhibition and poster viewing		Plaza Auditorium Foyer
From 0800	Coffee cart, open during catering breaks	Sponsored by 	Plaza Auditorium Foyer
0800-1700	Quiet room		Plaza 6
0845-0910	Conference opening Welcome to Country, Aaron Ruska , <i>Yuggera person</i> ACMHN President's welcome, Prof Rhonda Wilson , <i>RMIT University</i> Government welcome, Adj Prof Shelley Nowlan , <i>Chief Nurse Officer, Queensland Department of Health</i>		Plaza Auditorium MC: Prof Rhonda Wilson
0910-1030	31st Oration and Investiture Ceremony Investiture Ceremony, accompanied by Pianta Strings of the <i>University of Queensland</i> Oration: Postgraduate mental health nursing education: The way forward?, A/Prof Catherine Hungerford , <i>CQUniversity</i>		
1030-1100	Morning tea, exhibition and poster viewing (session 1) <i>Please refer to the app for poster session times for individual posters</i>		Plaza Auditorium Foyer
1030-1100	Internal meeting: Victorian Branch, chaired by Renee Molloy		Concord Boardroom

1100-1230	1A: Identity, new and missed Plaza Auditorium Chair: Kristy Arrol	1B: Impact: Education Plaza 7 Chair: Nathan Dart	1C: Influence: Leadership Plaza 8 Chair: Tracy Beaton	1D: Scope: Clinical supervision Plaza 9 Chair: Paul Spurr	1E: Impact: Students Plaza 10 Chair: Tracy Tabvuma	Masterclass 1: Yarning about Cultural Safety Plaza 11 Host: Prof Roianne West
1105	<p>New frontiers for nursing in innovative youth inpatient care: The Hospital in the Home model</p> <p>Emma Pettigrove, <i>Orygen Specialist Program</i></p>	<p>Strengthening mental health nursing by building a state-wide transitional programme: A case study in cross district collaboration</p> <p>James Hindman, <i>Western NSW Local Health District,</i> Ryan Rooney, <i>Far West Local Health District</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Beaver Hudson, Ministry of Health, Elizabeth Martin, Pamela Brinsmead, Murrumbidgee Local Health District, Ines Cowden, Western NSW Local Health District, Matthew Flowers, Leith Holding, Mid North Coast Local Health District, Beverly Thomson, Far West Local Health District</i></p>	<p>Mental health nursing-led service improvement: Enhancing participant-centred care through the weekly schedules initiative</p> <p>Emily Stowell, Maria Bradshaw, <i>Alfred Health</i></p>	<p>The implementation environment of clinical supervision: Hopes, barriers, and realities</p> <p>Hosu Ryu, <i>University of Melbourne</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>A/Prof Bridget Hamilton, A/Prof Lucio Naccarella, University of Melbourne, Prof Niels Buus, Aarhus University</i></p>	<p>The impact of a shared story: A consumer's experiences as a higher degree student and the academic supporting the consumer</p> <p>Dr Julie Bradshaw, Christopher Keepkie, <i>CQUniversity</i></p>	<p>This panel brings together Aboriginal voices and allies to yarn about the importance of cultural safety in supporting mental health and social and emotional wellbeing (SEWB). Designed for mental health nurses and practitioners, the session highlights how culturally safe care fosters trust, promotes healing, and improves outcomes for Aboriginal peoples. Through shared stories and practice insights, panellists will offer guidance on embedding cultural safety into everyday care and working in genuine partnership with Aboriginal people and communities.</p> <p>Prof Rhonda Wilson, <i>RMIT University,</i> Katrina Ward, <i>Brewarrina Aboriginal Medical Service,</i> Adrienne Lipscomb, Erin Alexander, Shiobhan Sharpe, <i>University of Melbourne</i></p>

CONCURRENT SESSION 1 (continued)

1125 New beginnings: Changes in the identity of the Mental Health Nurse Discharge Coordinator Role within the Top End Inpatient Unit
Martin Musco,
Alison Thorn, *Top End Mental Health Services*

The lived experience of mental health nurse academics in Australian universities: A hermeneutic phenomenological study
Shunil Raina,
CQUniversity

From microsystem to macrosystem: Expanding the scope of child and adolescent mental health nursing through Bronfenbrenner's ecological systems theory
Dr Anita Moyes, *Edith Cowan University*

Increasing clinical supervision capacity within mental health nursing, development of a training program in Western Australia
Dr Jennifer Hamilton,
Edith Cowan University,
Dr Marie Boulianne, *WA Country Health Service,*
Julie Sharrock,
Self Employed

'Thriving at work' as a strength-based approach for addressing burnout and workforce retention: A fresh face in the field
Fiona Little, *University of Newcastle*
Co-authors:
Conj Prof Michael Hazelton, Dr Anne Croker, University of Newcastle

Masterclass 1 (continued)

1145 Making a difference in hospitals – Mental Health Nurses leading the way in behaviour support
Nicole Edwards,
Monash Health

Enhancing mental health and addictions undergraduate Student Clinical Placements: A mixed methods co-designed project
Prof Phillip Maude,
La Trobe University
Co-authors:
Sophia McNamara, Angela Milligan, La Trobe University

Mental health nursing research: Innovate and integrate. A research training program
Dr Gary Ennis,
Northern Health
Co-author:
Dr Lin Zhao, RMIT University

A relational, experiential, and translational approach to growing clinical supervisors: A critical realist mixed methods evaluation
Dr Teresa Kelly,
A/Prof Bridget Hamilton, *University of Melbourne*
Co-authors:
Roshani Prematunga, A/Prof Rebecca Jarden, Cathie Miller, Cath Roper, Puneet Sansanwal, Hosu Ryu, University of Melbourne

Adopting a collaborative approach to develop high quality preceptor modules for enhancing support of undergraduate nursing students in mental health placements
Shingai Mareya,
RMIT University
Co-authors:
Dr Lin Zhao, Prof Karen Livesay, Kerrie Buchanan, Dhanpreet Kaur, RMIT University, Vesna Dempster, Allison Harrington, Dr Gary Ennis, Northern Health, Nigel Toomey, Elaine Withers, Royal Melbourne Hospital

CONCURRENT SESSION 1 (continued)

1205 Almost every fortnight a child is killed. How are we identifying children at risk of filicide? A scoping review

Dr Claire Hayes,
A/Prof Louise Alexander, Deakin University
Alison Hansen, Monash University

From conflict to compassion: Helping novice nurses negotiate challenging interactions in mental health and drug and alcohol settings

Lesley McNab, University of Technology Sydney,
Veronica Morton, Northern Sydney Local Health District

Protecting the sovereignty of nursing practice in a culture of increasing complaints: Balancing accountability with cultural reflection and performance management

Sarah Hall, Children's Health Queensland

Reflections on the implementation of a group clinical supervision program for mental health nurses: A seven-year journey and beyond

Dave Baker,
Dr Fiona Dziopa, Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services

Co-author:

Kieran Kinsella, Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services

What do graduate nurses need from nursing education to progress from novice to advanced beginner in acute mental health settings?

Dr Eric Lim, Murdoch University

Co-authors:

Kezia Higham, North Metropolitan TAFE,
Kristina Ferraz, Kathryn Harban, Fremantle Hospital, **Rebecca Tate, Amy Sewell,** Fiona Stanley Hospital, **Jane Murdock,** South Metropolitan Health Service, **Sharon Delahunty,** Cockburn Health

Masterclass 1 (continued)

1225 Final Q&As

1230-1330 Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing (session 2)

Plaza Auditorium Foyer

1230-1315 Internal meeting: Queensland Branch, chaired by **Vicki Green**

Plaza 7

1230-1330 Internal meeting: Defence SIG, chaired by **Dr Marie Boulianne**

Concord Boardroom

1330-1500	2A: First Nations Plaza Auditorium Chair: Alison Thorn	2B: Impact: Education Plaza 7 Chair: Dr Russell James	2C: Influence: Leadership/restrictive Plaza 8 Chair: Dr Eric Lim	2D: Scope: Clinical supervision Plaza 9 Chair: Dr Claire Hayes	2E: Lightning session Plaza 10 Chair: Alison Hansen	Masterclass 2: Submissions, lobbying and direct action to achieve change Plaza 11 Host: Dan Prentice
1335 The establishment of initiatives to recruit Māori nurses working from a Te Ao Māori worldview in specialist mental health services Cassandra Staps, <i>Health New Zealand</i>	Expanding student nurses mental health education through visceral experiences: The impact of a therapeutic recreation mental health clinical placement Abigail Leplaw, <i>University of Wollongong</i>	Mental health nursing leadership influencing collaborative nursing handover Katrina Angus, <i>Queensland Health</i>	Embedding and enabling sustainable Clinical Supervision in the mental health nursing workforce: Learnings from an expert Community of Practice Dr Kate Rhodes, <i>University of South Australia</i> Co-authors: <i>Dr Joshua McDonough, Prof Nicholas Procter, University of South Australia, Tim Crowley, Women's and Children's Hospital, Dr Monica McEvoy, Women's and Children's Health Network, Dr Helen P. Hamer, University of Auckland, Julie Sharrock, Self Employed, Carolyn Imrie, Private Practice, Dr Peter Santangelo, NSW Ministry of Health</i>	Aged Care Nurses transitioning to mental health nursing: Older Persons acute inpatient mental health and wellbeing unit Steph Barclay, <i>Barwon Health</i> Breaking boundaries: The expanding role of psychiatric enrolled nurses in community mental health Sharon Maurer, <i>Northern Health</i>	This workshop will draw on the experience of the Queensland Nurses and Midwives Union (QNMU) advocating for nurses and midwives over a broad range of industrial and professional issues by providing strategy options that can be used to affect change at a local or greater level. At the end of this workshop, participants will have an increased understanding of how to advocate for change at all levels and the factors that must be considered to maximise the mental health nursing voice in these matters. Dr Brent Hayward, <i>Monash University, Mark Fullerton,</i> <i>Queensland Health</i>	
1345 (Lightning session only)						

CONCURRENT SESSION 2 (continued)

1355 Identifying culturally safe research methods and techniques for First Nations mental health and social and emotional wellbeing of young people

Katrina Ward,
Brewarrina Aboriginal
Medical Service

Co-authors:
Prof Alison Hutton,
University of Newcastle,
Prof Rhonda Wilson, RMIT
University

Build it and they will come: Implementing a sustainable Bachelor of Nursing (MH Minor). Pathways to careers in MH nursing

Prof Phillip Maude,
Hosu Ryu, La Trobe
University

Co-authors:
Kate Emond,
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McNamara, Dr Burcu
Ozkul, Dr Mathew
Beverley-Stone, La Trobe
University

Strengthening mental health nursing leadership in rural and remote communities through nurse-led initiatives

Cassandra Talbot,
Healthy Communities
Foundation Australia,
A/Prof Samantha
Jakimowicz, Charles
Sturt University

Addressing organisational barriers for effective clinical supervision implementation in mental health nursing

Ashishkumar
Badanapurkar,
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The role of mental health providers in promoting oral health: A review of current evidence

Alisha Johnson, South
Western Sydney Local
Health District Mental
Health

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Prof Ajesh George, Western
Sydney University,
A/Prof Toby Raeburn,
Australian Catholic
University

Masterclass 2
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Mind the gap: Nursing student views and mental health nursing

Dr Sinead Barry, RMIT
University

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(Lightning
session only)

CONCURRENT SESSION 2 (continued)

1415 Adaptation of the Restorative Resilience Clinical Supervision (RRCS) workshop by a regional First Nations Health Service (FNHS) in 2025

Dr Debra Klages,
University of New
England

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(Lightning
session only)

Co-authors:
Aroha Shuttleworth,
Amanda Whitton, Mallee
District Aboriginal Services

A mental health nurse-led visually enhanced mental simulation hybrid model in mental health education: Strengthening translation of de-escalation in practice

Jason Collins, Gold
Coast Hospital Health
Service

Guidelines for the use of Restraint in young people with Anorexia nervosa through Collaborative Engagement (GRACE)

**Dr Naomi
Brockenshire,**
University of
Melbourne

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Dr Jenny O'Neill, Meaghan
Hawley, Royal Children's
Hospital

A transformational approach to growing clinical supervisors: A facilitated development program for mental health nurses

Dr Teresa Kelly,
**A/Prof Bridget
Hamilton,** University of
Melbourne

Co-authors:
Cathie Miller, **Cath Roper,**
Hosu Ryu, University of
Melbourne

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi: Promoting positive student experiences within postgraduate education

Frazer Rangihuna,
Deborah Cracknell,
University of Auckland

Distortion of the mental health nurse identity and scope of practice through artificial intelligence generated images: A critical analysis

Dr Jen Mulvogue,
CQUniversity

Co-author:
Dr Amy-Louise Byrne,
CQUniversity

**Masterclass 2
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CONCURRENT SESSION 2 (continued)


1435	Cultural awareness in clinical supervision: A tale of lived experience from an Aboriginal woman and a Caucasian man Anne Humbert , Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service, Chris Dawber , Reflective Practice Group	Utilising the Healthcare Educator Capability Framework to support mental health professional's transition from the role of clinician to educator Stuart Wall , Peninsula Health Co-author: Dr Samantha Sevenhuysen, Peninsula Health	Dads and eating disorders: Exploring the unique role of dads in eating disorder engagement, treatment, recovery and sharing their insights Andrew Jong , Sandra Dorse , Alfred Infant, Child and Youth Mental Health and Well Being Service	Specialist clinical supervision for mental health nurses working with eating disorders Bridget Mulvey , InsideOut Institute Co-author: Peta Marks, InsideOut Institute	Australia's priority groups access rates to digital mental health services Raphael Ohms , University of Queensland	Masterclass 2 (continued)
1445 (Lightning session only)					Community Navigator Programme for people with treatment-resistant depression: A scoping review Ingitha Jaswanth , Western Health, Ashishkumar Badanapurkar , Southern Adelaide Local Health Network	
1455	Final Q&As					
1500-1530	Afternoon tea, exhibition and poster viewing (session 3)					Plaza Auditorium Foyer
1500-1530	Internal meeting: Tasmanian Branch, chaired by Julia Hunt					Concord Boardroom
1530-1630	AFTERNOON PLENARY Welcome from Scientific Chair, A/Prof Cathy Daniel , University of Melbourne Keynote: Nurses bringing together Te Ao Māori and the Pākehā world, underpinned by Te Tiriti o Waitangi in Aotearoa New Zealand, Hineroa Hakiha , Te Toka Tumai Auckland, Suzette Poole , Te Ao Maramatanga					Plaza Auditorium MC: Prof Rhonda Wilson
1630-1830	WELCOME RECEPTION					Plaza Terrace

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THURSDAY 11 September 2025

Conference Day 2: Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

0800-1700	Speakers' preparation	Convenors' Office
0800-1700	Registration, exhibition and poster viewing	Plaza Auditorium Foyer
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0800-1700	Quiet room	Plaza 6
0900-1030	MORNING PLENARY Acknowledgment of Country, Prof Tanya Park , <i>James Cook University</i> Keynote: Patients measuring safety: Changing the nature of acute mental health wards from reactive firefighting to providing proactive care, Prof John Baker , <i>University of Leeds</i> Address: Co-Mental Health Nurse of the Year recipients, Amanda Butt , <i>NPathy</i> , Kylie Straube , <i>Remote Territory Health Care</i>	Plaza Auditorium MC: Prof Tanya Park
1030-1100	Morning tea, exhibition and poster viewing (session 4)	Plaza Auditorium Foyer
1030-1100	Internal meeting: Education SIG, chaired by Julie Porter	Concord Boardroom

1100-1230	3A: Identity: Specialties	3B: Impact: Education	3C: Influence: Peer	3D: Scope: AOD/Nurse practitioner	3E: Lightning session	Masterclass 3: Private Practice pathways
	Plaza Auditorium Chair: Amanda Butt	Plaza 7 Chair: Jo Suggett	Plaza 8 Chair: Randi Ziorio Dunlop	Plaza 9 Chair: Dr Naomi Brockenshire	Plaza 10 Chair: Dr Brent Hayward	Plaza 11 Host: Janine Max
1105	Creating and implementing Australia's first specialist Youth Mental Health Nurse Program for Early Career Nurses Lucy Graham, A/Prof Mary Gilbert, Orygen Specialist Program	Implementation and evaluation of an emergency response to ligature incidents education and training resource Donna Hansen-Vella, Barwon Health	Beyond boundaries: Sustainable and trauma-informed mental health nursing in adolescent care Daphne Diloj, Independent Nurse, Cheska Cawayan, Argo Theoharis, Children's Health Queensland	The right treatment at right time: A Centralised Intake Hub for addiction services Sneha Mathew, Emma Hoy, Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Service Co-authors: Sunita Yadav, A/Prof Marianne Wyder, Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Service	Café style in-service sessions: Using E-heutagogy approach in the implementation of Mental Health Pathways in Practice (MHPiP) program Margaret George, Sydney Local Health District Breaking the cycle: How mental health nurses improve physical health care in Community Mental Health Services Regina Cai, Eastern Health	Things we wish we'd known before we set out in private practice... experienced MHNs, from a range of specialisations and business models, share hacks and hints to give you a head start in shaping your own private practice. Use the suggested map provided, individualise your journey with the tips that suit your service, and be inspired to create a sustainable practice that is uniquely you. Lee Knight, University of New South Wales, Jess Stone, RN Plus
1115	(Lightning session only)					

CONCURRENT SESSION 3 (continued)

1125 From Enrolled Nurse to Mental Health Nurse Practitioner: How reflection shapes identity and redefines leadership

Kudzai Mutenzwa,
Western NSW Local Health District

Welcome to mental health nursing: Incorporating teachings and reflections to build student confidence within a Youth Specialist Program

Sal Hosking, Jake Bushe, Orygen Specialist Program

Nurse Midwife Health Program Australia: Peer support for those providing care

Tayla Vella, Nurse Midwife Health Program Australia

Growing with our learners: Developing education to meet the learning needs of a growing and diverse AOD nursing workforce

Samantha Clark,
Insight

Co-author:
Tracey Swan, Insight

Preparing middle-level managers through the 'Shift Coordinators Workshop' for mental health services: Insights from a process evaluation

Ashishkumar Badanapurkar,
Southern Adelaide Local Health Network

Co-authors:
Peggy Ooi, Rosie Barnes, Benjamin Lockwood, Dulcey Kayes, Susan McLean, Southern Adelaide Local Health Network

Beyond skills: Why emotional intelligence mental health nursing leadership is the key to influencing mental health systems

Shelley Anderson,
Alfred Mental and Addiction Health

Masterclass 3 (continued)

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(Lightning session only)

CONCURRENT SESSION 3 (continued)

1145	<p>How mental health nurse consultants impact on the care of general hospital patients experiencing mental health conditions</p> <p>Julie Sharrock, <i>Southern Cross University</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Prof Marie Hutchinson, Prof Brenda Happell, Southern Cross University</i></p>	<p>Challenging neuronormative learning biases in nursing higher education</p> <p>Sarah McKay, <i>RMIT University</i></p> <p>Co-author: <i>Prof Rhonda Wilson, RMIT University</i></p>	<p>Developing a protocol for a nursing-led trauma-informed care principles research project for Child and Youth Mental Health Services</p> <p>Emma Hart, Breechey Turner, <i>Children's Health Queensland</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Alison Bolton, Samantha Jones, Children's Health Queensland</i></p>	<p>Forging the nurse practitioner identity in consultation liaison</p> <p>Samuel Wubembe, Adiola Mazambani, <i>Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services</i></p> <p>Co-author: <i>A/Prof Marianne Wyder, Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services</i></p>	<p>Active ingredients of the 10 Safewards interventions: Findings from an international Delphi study</p> <p>A/Prof Bridget Hamilton, <i>University of Melbourne</i></p> <p>Co-author: <i>Prof Anna Bjorkdahl, Karolinska Institute</i></p> <p>Impact of moral injury</p> <p>Rachel Kelly, Caroline Delaforce, <i>Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Service</i></p>	<p>Masterclass 3 (continued)</p>
1155	<p>(Lightning session only)</p>					
1205	<p>Leading recovery: The critical role of nurses in bridging service gaps and revolutionising youth mental health at Orygen Recovery YPARC</p> <p>Simone Zammit, <i>Orygen Recovery</i></p> <p>Co-author: <i>Katharine Davies, Orygen Recovery</i></p>	<p>Exploring the Mental Health and Forensic Mental Health Nursing Clinical Reasoning Cycles with mental health nursing academics</p> <p>Dr Tess Maguire, <i>Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Prof Georgina Willetts, Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Prof Michael Olsaji, A/Prof Loretta Garvey, Federation University</i></p>	<p>"You can't ask that": Using lived experience in mental health nursing education</p> <p>Dr Russell James, <i>University of Tasmania</i></p>	<p>An NP model of care to support the transition of stable mental health clients to primary care</p> <p>Tamara Ward, <i>Cockburn Wellbeing</i></p> <p>Co-author: <i>Karen Heslop, Curtin University</i></p>	<p>Managing OVA while eliminating/ reducing restrictive interventions: What does it mean for nurses who work in acute mental health units?</p> <p>Dr Gary Ennis, <i>Northern Health</i></p> <p>I am a mental health nurse....</p> <p>Noxi Chiweshe, <i>Barwon Health</i></p>	
1215	<p>(Lightning session only)</p>					
1225	<p>Final Q&As</p>					

1230-1330	Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing (session 5)					Plaza Auditorium Foyer
1230-1315	Internal meeting: Credential for Practice Committee and Peer Review SIG, chaired by Katie Hangan					Plaza 7
1230-1315	Internal meeting: Clinical Liaison SIG, chaired by Leigh Peterson					Plaza 8
1230-1330	Internal meeting: Central Coast Hunter New England Branch, chaired by Janine Max					Concord Ballroom
1330-1500	4A: Identity: Specialties Plaza Auditorium Chair: A/Prof Cathy Daniel	4B: Impact: Education Plaza 7 Chair: Dr Tess Maguire	4C: Influence: Suicide Plaza 8 Chair: Cameron Marshman	4D: Identity: Psychotherapy/NDIS Plaza 9 Chair: Dr Sinead Barry	4E: Lightning session Plaza 10 Chair: Dr Marie Boulianne	Masterclass 4: Preparing for a PhD Plaza 11 Host: Prof Tanya Park
1335	Healing through engagement: The power of nurse-led group activities in Women's Mental Health Unit Shaveta Sood , Northern Health	From novice to competent: Implementing a Skill Matrix and Competency Framework in mental health nursing Ashishkumar Badanapurkar , Southern Adelaide Local Health Network Co-authors: Dulcey Kayes, Benjamin Lockwood, Rosie Barnes, Susan McLean, Kirsty Smith, Southern Adelaide Local Health Network	Exploring mental health nurses' experiences of a patient suicide: An existential crisis of identity Dr Melsina Makaza , University of Newcastle Co-authors: Dr Chris Papadopoulos, Prof Gurch Randhawa, University of Bedfordshire	From trauma to recovery: The untapped power of EMDR in rural mental health care Marina Jeeawody , HealthWISE	The experience of the Suicide Prevention Pathway: A carers' perspective Dr Oliver Higgins , Central Coast Local Health District Co-authors: Dr Mariko Carey, University of Newcastle, Dr Rachel Sheather-Reid, Hannah Kenyon, Jodie Sabota, Laura Christie, Susan Pinnell, Central Coast Local Health District	This session will discuss how to prepare to commence a PhD. You will hear from current mental health nurses who are PhD candidates and experienced PhD supervisors. There will be time to ask questions and explore what is required to commence and complete a PhD. Prof Brenda Happell , Kate Currey , Southern Cross University, A/Prof Adam Searby , Renee Molloy , Monash University, Prof Rhonda Wilson , RMIT University, Dr Eric Lim , Murdoch University, Christa Keilar , Metro North Hospital and Health Service
1345 (Lightning session only)	Integrating care and command: Mental health nursing influence in specialist police partnerships Nirosha Kodikara , Sgt Victor Yanes , Australian Federal Police					

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 (continued)

1355 Global perspectives:
Major steps taken in
building youth mental
health care capacity in
the Maldives

Helen Nicoll, *Orygen*

Co-author:

Dr Shona Francey, Orygen

Preparing our nurses
to be confident to
administer long-
acting antipsychotic
medication

**Becky Hunston,
Joshitha Mathew**,

*Central Adelaide Local
Health Network*

Contextualisation of
the SafeTALK Suicide
Prevention Program
for use among
adolescents in Nepal

Rita Pokharel Poudel,
*Western Sydney
University*

Co-authors:

*Dr Diana Jefferies,
Dr Sheeja Perumbil
Pathrose, Prof Lucie
Ramjan, Western Sydney
University*

From public service
to private practice: A
nurse entrepreneur's
journey into providing
Talk Therapy

Evan Player, *Epic
Psychotherapy*

A quality improvement
activity adapting
the Safewards
fidelity checklist to
measure embedded
core qualities of
psychodynamic
nursing in Safewards
interventions

**Brendon Robinson
Kelly Dorning**, *Darling
Downs Health*

Co-author:

*Dr Jennifer Hamilton,
Edith Cowan University*

Impact of the
Transition Coordinator
role at the Princess
Alexandra Hospital

Idalia Rodriguez,
*Princess Alexandra
Hospital*

**Masterclass 4
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(Lightning
session only)

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 (continued)

1415	Perceptions and experiences of mental health consumers, carers and clinicians related to Compulsory Treatment Orders (CTOs) in Victoria, Australia	"We are a disposable entity". Mental health nurses' experiences of reform in Victoria: A qualitative descriptive study	A state-wide Victoria anti-ligature risk assessment tool	Patterns in the access, utilisation and budget allocation of NDIS psychosocial support for First Nations Australians with mental health needs	Improving care for mental health consumers under the Mental Health Act 2016: Rights, advocacy, and legal frameworks in Queensland	Masterclass 4 (continued)
1425	Fiona Khalil , Alfred Mental and Addiction Health	A/Prof Louise Alexander , Deakin University, Whitney Johnson , Alfred Mental and Addiction Health	Anna Love , Safer Care Victoria Co-author: Adj, A/Prof Janie Davies, Safer Care Victoria	Dr Xiaoyun Zhou , Queensland Centre for Mental Health Research	Sarah Brown , Queensland Health Organisation-wide peer-group Nurse Unit Manager clinical supervisor training and practice: Considerations for mental health nursing	
(Lightning session only)		Co-authors: Cally Mills, Deakin University, A/Prof Adam Searby, Monash University			Dr Rebecca Jarden , Melissa Leslie , Austin Health Co-authors: Emma Barker, Nonie Rickard, Bernadette Twomey, Austin Health, Dr Naomi Brockenshire, Dr Helena Bujalkah, University of Melbourne	
1435	Implementation of a novel acute care service in a rural area Bill Koffmann , Bathurst Community Mental Health	Listening to learn: Making mental health research accessible in nursing education through GenAI Podcasts Dr Jennifer Hamilton , Dr Lesley Barr , Edith Cowan University Co-authors: Dr Martina Costello, Prof Martin Jones, Edith Cowan University	Engaging with lived experience in suicide research: Considerations and reflections from multiple case-studies Taylor Yousiph , University of Wollongong Co-authors: Dr Chirstopher Patterson, Prof Lorna Moxham, University of Wollongong	Implementation of the IMPACT Operational Manual in a rural community mental health setting Alison Day , Bathurst and Region Community Mental Health, Sheirah Brilley , Western NSW Local Health District	Shaping the future of Baccalaureate psychiatric nursing education in Alberta: Addressing challenges and embracing opportunities Randi Ziorio Dunlop , University of Alberta Co-author: Jamie Terhorst, MacEwan University	

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 (continued)


1445 (Lightning session only)	<i>Implementation of a novel acute care service in a rural area (continued)</i>	<i>Listening to learn (continued)</i>	<i>Engaging with lived experience in suicide research (continued)</i>	<i>Implementation of the IMPACT Operational Manual (continued)</i>	New models of care for mental health clients, GPs and mental health services in Alice Springs Alison Thorn, Martin Musco, <i>Top End Mental Health Services</i>	Masterclass 4 (continued)
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1530-1700	AFTERNOON PLENARY Keynote: Beyond the blueprint: Crafting a career with impact, Peta Marks , <i>InsideOut Institute</i> Keynote: The impact our identity can have on influencing others, Katrina Ward , <i>Brewarrina Aboriginal Medical Service</i>					Plaza Auditorium MC: Dr Brent Hayward
1700-1740	ACMHN Members' forum					Plaza Auditorium MC: Adrian Armitage
1900-2300	CONFERENCE DINNER <i>Ticketed event – Delegates are encouraged to walk to LINA Rooftop. A courtesy bus will depart from Rydges South Bank to LINA Rooftop at 6:45pm, and return at 10:00pm and 11:00pm for those who require it.</i>					LINA Rooftop

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FRIDAY 12 September 2025

Conference Day 3: Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

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0900-1030	MORNING PLENARY Acknowledgment of Country, Prof Rhonda Wilson , RMIT University Keynote: Put your oxygen mask on first, Lisa Curry AO , Former Australian swimmer Announcement: International Summit, Prof Rhonda Wilson , RMIT University		Plaza Auditorium MC: Prof Rhonda Wilson
1030-1100	Morning tea, exhibition and poster viewing (session 7)		Plaza Auditorium Foyer
1030-1100	Internal meeting: Research SIG, chaired by Dr Eric Lim		Concord Boardroom

1100-1230	5A: Identities: Specialties Plaza Auditorium Chair: Dr Anita Moyes	5B: Impact: Digital Plaza 7 Chair: Mark Fullerton	5C: Impact: Physical Plaza 8 Chair: Hosu Ryu	5D: Impact: Dissemination Plaza 9 Chair: Dr Oliver Higgins	5E: Lightning session Plaza 10 Chair: Dr Jennifer Hamilton	Masterclass 5: Social and emotional wellbeing Plaza 11 Host: Erin Alexander
1105 Reducing and eliminating restrictive practices in mental health settings: A multi-faceted approach Rhiannon Meek, Crisis Prevention Institute	Cultural competency in forensic mental health nursing: What does it mean? Rebecca Millar, RMIT University	Exploring mental health consumer perceptions and experiences of goal-setting with the physical health nurse consultant Tracy Tabvuma, Tabvuma Mental Health Co-authors: Dr Robert Stanton, CQUniversity, Dr Ya-Ling Huang, University of Southern Queensland, Prof Brenda Happell, Southern Cross University	Adult Individual Resilience Scale: A mixed method study developing a new scale of resilience for the clinical mental healthcare setting Judye Margetts, University of Newcastle	How a mental health nurse practitioner is addressing the sexual and reproductive health needs of service users Trudy Brown, RMIT University	The role of mental health placement fellows in shaping nursing students' experiences and capacity of clinical preceptorship Shingai Mareya, RMIT University Co-authors: Dr Lin Zhao, Kerrie Buchanan, Dhanpreet Kaur, Prof Karen Livesay, RMIT University, Vesna Dempster, Allison Harrington, Dr Gary Ennis, Northern Health, Nigel Toomey, Elaine Withers, Royal Melbourne Hospital	For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, health and wellbeing are viewed as inseparable. Our understanding of mental health is broader, more holistic, and deeply person-centred compared to mainstream definitions. The Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) model, developed by Gee and colleagues, is a strengths-based framework widely used across Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services to support positive health and wellbeing outcomes. It reflects the core relationships and connections that are central to Indigenous cultures. This Masterclass will explore the SEWB model and its application in mental health nursing practice to better support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Shiobhan Sharpe, Adrienne Lipscomb, University of Melbourne
1115 (Lightning session only)						

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1125 Mental health nursing and mainstream religious trauma
Jacqui Cousins,
Nursing the Mind

Beyond automation: How AI is transforming mental health practice
Sally-Anne McCormack, ANTSA

Perspectives of carers on the physical health of young people with early psychosis
Ting Ting Hui, Alfred Mental and Addiction Health
Co-authors:
Prof Michael Olosoji, Federation University,
A/Prof Loretta Garvey, Swinburne University of Technology

Diagnostic overshadowing of chronic hepatitis c in people with mental health conditions who inject drugs: A scoping review
Regan Preston, Fiona Stanley Hospital
Co-authors:
Dr Karen Heslop,
Dr Michael Christmass,
Dr Shirley McGough, Curtin University
Dr Eric Lim, Murdoch University

Building capability in mental health deterioration within non-mental health services: A service-wide response
Stuart Wall, Peninsula Health
Co-authors:
Allan Carlow,
Diana Patton, Peninsula Health

Indoctrinating into our tribe: Nurses reflections on the alcohol and other drug (AOD) student support program in Metro North
Samantha Clark, Insight
Co-author:
Tracey Swan, Insight

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1145 Real care the second time around: Trauma aware, healing informed aged care for forgotten Australians and care leavers

Sarah Lim, *Helping Hand Aged Care*

Co-author:

Chelsea Lewis, Helping Hand Aged Care

A national evaluation of the prevalence and impact of vision-based technology in mental health inpatient wards in England

Dr Fiona Nolan, *North London NHS Foundation Trust*

Co-authors:

Madeleine Devon, Ella Dowling, Dr Nicola Armstrong, Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust

Equally well in Victoria
Anna Love, *Safer Care Victoria*

Co-authors:

*Rebecca Helvig, Safer Care Victoria
Trudy Brown, RMIT University*

People with people: Embodied experiences of compassion in mental healthcare

Cameron Marshman, *Monash University*

Co-authors:

A/Prof Jacqui Allen, Dr Debbie Ling, Prof Gabrielle Brand, Monash University

Partnering with consumers: Co-designing a nurse-led groups program with lived experience experts

A/Prof Suzie Hooper, Natalie Nardella, *Epworth HealthCare*

Co-authors:

Dr Damien Khaw, Deakin University Centre for Quality and Patient Safety Research, Prof Ana Hutchinson, Epworth HealthCare

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The Safer Households Pilot Project: Introducing the Safewards Model into residential aged care facilities

Brian Tomney, *Uniting NSW.ACT*

Co-author:

Dr Rebecca C Hardy, Uniting NSW.ACT

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1205 Freeing up expertise: How implementing a supplementary workforce supports mental health nurses to focus on high-value care in a MBU

Dannielle Orifici, Gillian Ennis, Women and Newborn Health Service

Digital wellbeing resources for Mob: Let's stay strong and well!

A/Prof Kylie Dingwall, Menzies School of Health Research

Eliminating seclusion for women: Are we doing enough?

Alison Hansen, University of Newcastle

Co-authors:

Dr Robyn Rosina, Independent Researcher,
Conj Prof Michael Hazelton, Prof Kerry J Inder, University of Newcastle

Effect of consumer-led education on Australian acute inpatient psychiatric units' MHNs' attitudes towards consumers with mental illness

Dr Anju Sreeram, Federation University

Co-authors:

Em Prof Wendy Cross, Federation University,
Dr Louise Townsin, Torrens University

Enhancing psychosexual safety of people with Intellectual Disabilities (ID) in forensic mental health setting

Anumol Joseph, James Nash House

Co-authors:

Dr Owen Haeney, Shweta Chadda, Alana Nagel, James Nash House, **Natasha Jojo,** University of Canberra

Lived experience workforce leadership: Further understanding the consumer's experiences of Safewards

Antony Mullen, Southern Cross University

Co-authors:

Prof Brenda Happell, Southern Cross University,
A/Prof Bridget Hamilton, University of Melbourne,
Stephanie Skinner, Hunter New England Mental Health

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(Lightning session only)

1225 Final Q&As

1230-1330 Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing (session 8)

Plaza Auditorium Foyer

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1230-1330 Internal meeting: Council of Branches, chaired by **Alison Thorn**


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1335	<p>A nurse is a nurse. Credentialed mental health nurses: A disappearing specialty; current trends and attitudes</p> <p>Simone Harvey, Maureen Sheehan, <i>Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Jill Evans, A/Prof Marianne Wyder, Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services</i></p>	<p>International pre-registration nursing students' experiences of mental health clinical placement: A scoping review</p> <p>Alana Wilson, <i>Monash University</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>A/Prof Adam Searby, Renee Molloy, Monash University</i></p>	<p>Using machine learning to assist decision making in the assessment of mental health patients presenting to emergency departments</p> <p>Dr Oliver Higgins, <i>Central Coast Local Health District</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Prof Rhonda Wilson, RMIT University, Prof Stephan K Chlaup, University of Newcastle</i></p>	<p>Improving collaborative care planning on an older adult mental health inpatient unit: Doing with not for</p> <p>Barbara Williams, <i>Northern Health</i></p>	<p>Testing Safe Steps for de-escalation: A clinician-emerged approach to reducing coercive practices</p> <p>Alison Taylor, Matthew Flowers, <i>Coffs Harbour Base Hospital</i></p> <p>Co-authors: <i>Esario IV Daguman, A/Prof Richard Lakeman, Prof Marie Hutchinson, Southern Cross University, Dane Owen, Coffs Harbour Base Hospital, Leo Waterhouse, Cumberland Hospital</i></p>	<p>This session will provide an update on credentialing and suggestions for preparing your application.</p> <p>Catherine Hangan, <i>Queensland Health, Joanne Wild, Metro North Addiction and Mental Health Services</i></p>
1345 (Lightning session only)					<p>Transforming care: Examining the role of mental health nurses in supporting adults with ADHD</p> <p>Sarah McKay, <i>RMIT University</i></p> <p>Co-author: <i>Prof Rhonda Wilson, RMIT University</i></p>	

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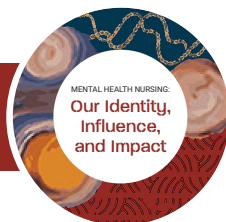
1355	What am I? Navigating mental health nursing as a secondary professional identity Dr Anita Moyes , Edith Cowan University	Clinical placements in mental health: Enhancing the student experience and promoting a career in mental health nursing Emily Bate , Hunter Valley Mental Health Service	A digital journey for young people: Codesigning the AIMhi for Youth app A/Prof Kylie Dingwall , Menzies School of Health Research	Community groups creating places for people living with a mental illness to thrive Prof Caryn West , Charles Sturt University, Prof Tanya Park , James Cook University	Is mentorship a pathway to improving the student nurse experience? Exploring how mentorship enhances nursing students' transition into clinical practice Joceline Turner , South Metro Health Service, Nathan Dart , Metro North Health	Masterclass 6 (continued)
1405	(Lightning session only)	Co-authors: Antony Mullen , Southern Cross University, Katherine Price , Hunter New England Mental Health, Gary Crowfoot , University of Newcastle		Co-authors: Suzi Pont , Samantha Santarossa , The Junction Clubhouse	Geopolitical determinants of refugee and asylum seeker mental health Jacob Mabil Atem , RMIT University Co-author: Prof Rhonda Wilson , RMIT University	
1415	The family experience of a suicidal crisis in the emergency departments: Supporting the supporters A/Prof Marianne Wyder , Metro South Addiction and Mental Health Services	MEND: Mental health employment of nursing undergraduates: Overview of a PhD research project Kate Currey , Southern Cross University	Clinician perspectives and experience of working with eating disorders in males: A scoping review Julia Hunt , University of Tasmania	Exploring the utility of the model for understanding inpatient aggression for general mental health settings Dr Tess Maguire , Centre for Forensic Behavioural Science, Courtney Dunn , Peninsula Health	Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu: Adorn the bird with feathers so it can fly; Transforming a curriculum! Deborah Cracknell, Frazer Rangihuna , University of Auckland	
1425	(Lightning session only) Co-author: De Backman-Hoyle , Mental Health Carers Australia	Co-authors: Prof Jennene Greenhill , Dr Louise Ward , Southern Cross University, Dr Susan Kidd , Northern NSW Local Health District	Co-authors: A/Prof Cathy Daniel , A/Prof Andrea Phillipou , University of Melbourne, Prof John Oliffe , University of British Columbia, Peta Marks , InsideOut Institute		Mental health awareness programs for culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds in Australia Dr Bindu Joseph, Robeena Emmanuel , Federation University Co-author: Prof Michael Olasoji , Federation University	

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(Lightning session only)		Co-authors: Dr Holly Symonds-Brown , Dr Kathleen Hegadoren , University of Alberta, Prof Tanya Park , James Cook University			Rural health care: A non-linear journey into private practice Kylie Straube , Remote Territory Health Care	
1455	Final Q&As					
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1730	POST CONFERENCE NETWORKING <i>Drinks and nibbles at own cost</i>					Soleil Pool Bar, Rydges South Bank Brisbane



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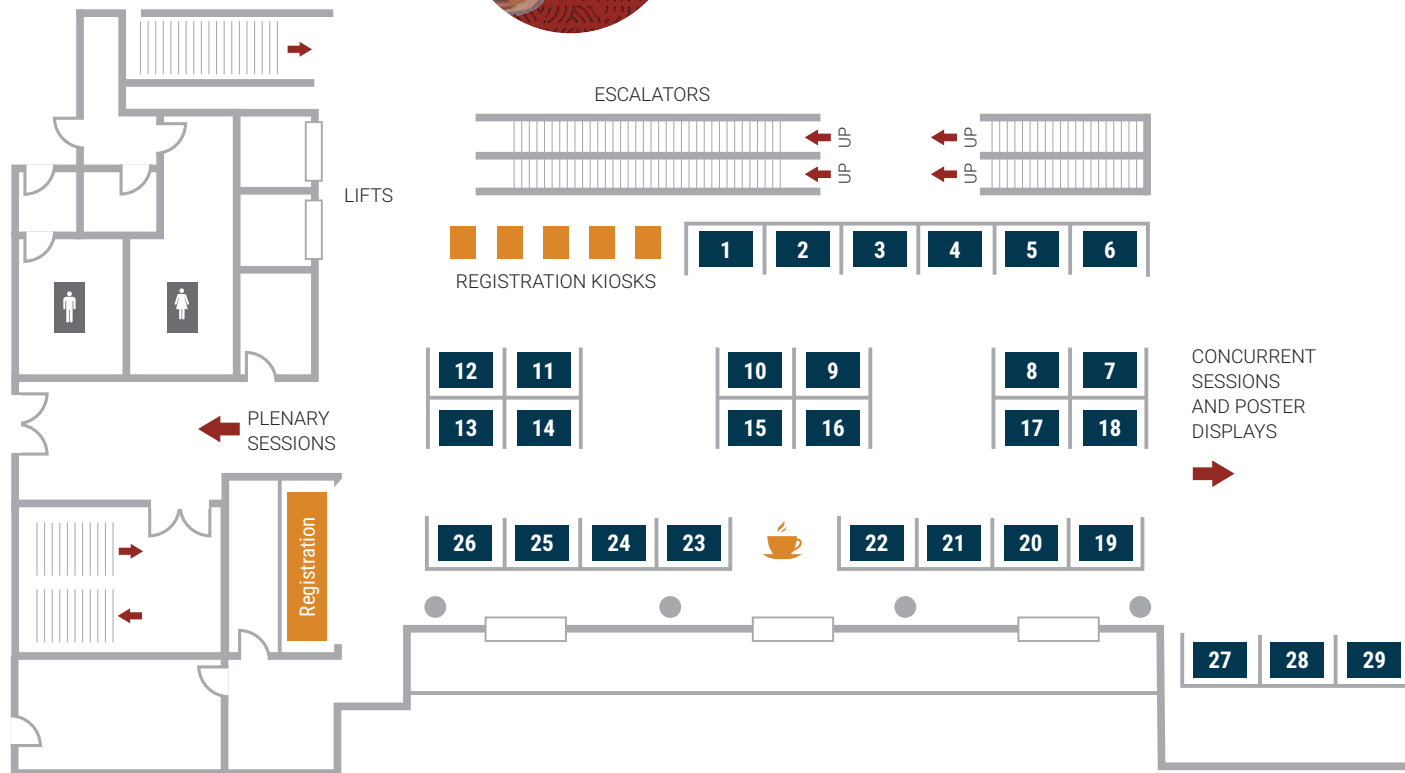


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