



ACADEMIC PROGRAMME



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Workshops - CEU points: 4

Symposium - CEU points: 5 | Ethics point: 1

Date: 5th September 2025

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS

Time	Workshops		
13h00 - 17h00	Medical management of opioid use disorder Lisa Dannatt, Lize Weich & Kavendren Odayar	Managing the opioid-dependant patient with chronic pain Livia van Rensburg Melissa Saw	Introduction to motivational interviewing Amy Adams & Fergus Ashburner

Date: 6th September 2025

SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

Time	Topics	
07h15 - 08h00	Arrival & Registration	
08h00 - 08h10	Welcome	Chair: Lisa Dannatt
SESSION 1: ADDICTION IN DIVERSE GROUPS		Chair: Lindsay Scholtz
08h10 - 08h40	Persons with neuro-diversity & addictions	Lucy Jarvis
08h40 - 09h10	LGBTQI+ & addiction	Kholofelo Morodi
09h10 - 09h20	Q&A	
SESSION 2: TECHNOLOGY & SUBSTANCES		Chair: Lindsay Scholtz
09h20 - 09h50	Why can't we stop scrolling? - Is technology our modern-day addiction?	Lize Weich
09h50 - 10h20	Sport, gambling & addiction	Richard Goncalves
10h20 - 10h30	Q&A	
10h30 - 10h50	REFRESHMENT BREAK	
SESSION 3: MEDICAL EFFECTS OF SUBSTANCES		Chair: Richard Goncalves
10h50 - 11h20	Are we ready for the fentanyl threat?	Lisa Dannatt
11h20 - 11h50	An approach to alcohol & the brain	Lindsay Scholtz
11h50 - 12h00	Q&A	
12h00 - 13h00	LUNCH BREAK	
SESSION 4: ON THE COUCH		Chair: Lize Weich
13h00 - 13h30	Ketamine – saviour or new drug of misuse	Bavi Vythilingum & Thabo Mogotlane
13h30 - 14h00	Using mindfulness & DBT skills in daily practice when treating patients with addictive disorders	Juané Voges
14h00 - 14h10	Q&A	
SESSION 5: ETHICS		Chair: Lize Weich
14h10 - 14h50	Better living or unfair advantage? The ethics of drugs and human enhancement	Yoshna Kooverjee
14h50 - 15h00	Q&A	
15h00 - 15h05	CLOSING	Chair: Lisa Dannatt
15h05 - 15h40	SAAMS AGM	