

# Hume Region Allied Health Conference 2023

*Future Focus: Finding Purpose*

**Thursday, 26 October 2023**

University of Melbourne, Shepparton campus  
and online

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## Conference Program Outline

<b>08:00 - 12:00</b>	Registration Desk Open   Main Foyer	
<b>PLENARY SESSION 1</b>   Lecture Theatre   Facilitators Megan Tankard		
<b>09:00 - 09:05</b>	Official Opening and Welcome <b>Megan Tankard</b> <i>Chair Northeast and Goulburn Valley Allied Health Educator Group</i>	
<b>09:05 - 09:25</b>	Welcome to Country <b>Nicole James</b> <i>Yorta Yorta Nation</i>	
<b>09:25 - 09:55</b>	Chief Allied Health Officer Presentation <b>Briana Baass</b> <i>Chief Allied Health Officer of Victoria</i> <i>Clinical background: Clinical prosthetics and orthotics</i>	
<b>09:55 - 10:30</b>	Expanding and sustaining clinical placements for pre-registration allied health students in rural Australia <b>Brent Smith</b> <i>Lecturer in Rural Health (Clinical Educator) with Three Rivers Department of Rural Health at Charles Sturt University</i> <i>Clinical background: Podiatry</i>	
<b>10:30 - 10:55</b>	Morning tea with exhibitors   Tutorial Rooms	
<b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>   Chairs: Hayley Dell'Oro (Session A) and Ryan McGrath (Session B)		
<b>Themes</b>	<i>Reimagining care - Clinical adaptability &amp; advancement</i> <i>Diversity and inclusion</i> <i>Values based health</i>	<i>Workforce development</i> <i>Leadership – Agents of change</i>
<b>Room</b>	Session A: Conference Room	Session B: Lecture theatre

<p><b>11:00 - 11:15</b></p>	<p>Food for thought; exploring the need for visual menu to improve access to hospital food  <b>Elizabeth Walker, Fabre, M., Ierardo, L., Bennett, S., Blake, G.</b>  <i>Northeast Health, Wangaratta Dietetics</i></p>	<p>A pilot of professional shadowing for allied health clinicians in a regional setting  <b>Sarah Gallagher</b>  <i>Bendigo Health, Loddon Mallee Health Network</i></p>
<p><b>11:15 - 11:30</b></p>	<p>Deci-belters- therapeutic singing group for persons with progressive neurological conditions in a community health setting (pilot study)  <b>Allan Marsh, Lane, M.</b>  <i>Gateway Health Speech Pathology</i></p>	<p>A Theory of Change: building research capacity in rural health services  <b>O'Hagan, R., Nadine Glanville, Reid, C., McGrath, R.L.</b>  <i>The University of Melbourne</i></p>
<p><b>11:30 - 11:45</b></p>	<p>Reimagining Allied Health in the Emergency Department: The Introduction of an Allied Health Interdisciplinary Practitioner: Northeast Health Wangaratta.  <b>Anna Hession</b>  <i>Northeast Health, Wangaratta</i></p>	<p>Using a regional approach to improve access to clinical supervision  <b>Sarah Gallagher</b>  <i>Bendigo Health, Loddon Mallee Health Network</i></p>
<p><b>11:45 - 12:00</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lightening Talks</b></p> <p>Reimagining Care: Defining a strategy for Allied Health across disparate services.  <b>Diane Davey, Ramsden, O., Mitsch, V., Albury Wodonga Health</b></p>	<p>Specialist AHAs? Exploring discipline specific Allied Health Assistants  <b>Bree Bloomfield, Redman, C., Elliffe, O.</b>  <i>Northeast Health, Wangaratta</i></p>
<p><b>12:00 - 12:15</b></p>	<p>Working on the boundary: A Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Liaison Officer's Experience. <b>Angela Devoti, Ngezi, S., &amp; McGrath, R. L.</b> <i>Goulburn Valley Health</i></p> <p>Gender Equity Project. <b>Jacqui Napolitano,</b> <i>Goulburn Valley Health</i></p>	<p>Identification of allied health learning needs: a modified Delphi study  <b>Brigitte Lynch, Dziura, J, McKay, A., Glass, S. Foster, A.</b>  <i>Monash Health</i></p>
<p><b>12:15 - 12:30</b></p>	<p>Using Systems thinking to catalyse change. <b>Coller, L., Stephens, Lucy</b> <i>Goulburn Valley Health</i></p> <p>Implementing the Victorian Allied Health Assistant Workforce Recommendations and Resources in Victorian public health services: A coaching pilot. <b>Whelan, L., McLean, S., Glagovski, S., Huglin, J., Edwards, A., Abby Foster,</b> <i>Monash Health</i></p> <p>Addressing rural allied health service shortages through service delivery capacity building. <b>Gabriel Gauthier, Temby, K.</b> <i>Rural Workforce Agency Victoria (RWAV)</i></p> <p>Hello ROVER: creating a new model of care for a hospital avoidance program  <b>Glenda Chapman, Peterkin, M., Wright, K., Albury Wodonga Health</b></p>	<p>Journey of becoming a workforce clinical educator: A collaborative autoethnography  <b>Mahesh Paramasivan, Lynch, B., Dziura, J., McKay, A., Glass, S., &amp; Foster, A.</b>  <i>Monash Health</i></p>
<p>12:30 - 13:20 Lunch with exhibitors and poster viewing   Tutorial Rooms</p>		

PLENARY SESSION 2   Lecture Theatre   Facilitator: Emma Macdonald	
13:25 - 14:10	<p>Unlocking rural health's biggest secrets: How you can achieve rural health workforce success</p> <p><b>Dr. Anna Moran</b>  CEO + Founder, Unplex  PhD (The University of Sheffield), BAppSci (Physiotherapy) (The University of Sydney).  Honorary research fellow The University of Melbourne &amp; Charles Sturt University</p>
14:10 - 14:50	<p>Developing our Futures: A shared responsibility approach to relevance in ongoing learning</p> <p><b>Michael Pang</b>  Lecturer, Federation University and Australian Catholic University  Physiotherapist, Grampians Health</p>
14:50 - 15:15	Afternoon tea with exhibitors and poster viewing
CLOSING PLENARY SESSION   Lecture Theatre   Facilitator: Dana Sfetcopoulos	
15:20 - 15:50	<p>Ideas that change health and care</p> <p><b>Dr. Abby Foster</b>  Allied Health Research Advisor, Monash Health  Adjunct Senior Lecturer, Speech Pathology, Latrobe University and Monash University  Clinical background: Speech Pathology</p>
15:50 - 16:05	<p>Award Presentation</p> <p>Megan Tankard, Chair Northeast and Goulburn Valley Allied Health Educator Group  Emma Macdonald, Scientific Committee Chair</p>
16:05 - 16:15	Conference wrap-up
16:15	Conference close