

Mental Health & Suicide Prevention Symposium Series

2021



Partnering for change

Towards a new community model for
mental health



Day two
14 September 2021

9.00am | Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country

Angus Clelland, CEO MHV; Sophie Scott, National Medical Reporter ABC

9:10am | Keynote Address

Craig Wallace — CEO Victorian Mental Illness Awareness Council Inc

9:40am | Reform update

Katherine Whetton, Deputy Secretary for Mental Health, Department of Health and Human Services

10:10am | Morning tea

10:30am | Panel: Embedding safety and inclusivity

Jackson Fairchild, Head of Policy and Programs Rainbow Health Victoria; Mischa Barr, Policy and Health Promotion Manager Women's Health Victoria; Rashmi Kumar, Executive Officer Ethnic Communities' Council of Victoria; Sheree Lowe, Executive Director SEWB Centre of Excellence

11:15am | Fireside chat: Spotlight on intersectionality

Adele Murdolo, Executive Director Multicultural Centre for Women's Health

11:45am | Showcase series: Incorporating lived experience

Belinda Caldwell, CEO Eating Disorders Victoria; Rose Cuff, Executive Director Satellite Foundation

12:15pm | Launch of La Trobe recovery orientated practice research project

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12:30pm | Lunch

1:30pm | Panel: Providing crisis supports

Wayne Gatt, Secretary the Police Association Victoria; A/Prof Mick Stephenson, CEO Ambulance Victoria; Tom Dalton, CEO NEAMI; Fran Timmins, Director of Nursing St Vincent's Mental Health

2:15pm | Fireside chat: Spotlight on suicide prevention and response

Simon Pont, Director Quality Systems and Practice Suicide Prevention Australia

2:45pm | Afternoon tea

3:00pm | Panel: Orienting towards recovery

Nicole Bartholomeusz, Chief Executive cohealth; Nikki Wynne, Director of Services Wellways; Neil Turton Lane, NDIS Manager, Victorian Mental Illness Awareness Council Inc; Marie Piu — CEO Tandem

3:45pm | Closing Address

MC Sophie Scott

4:00pm | Close



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Our MC: Sophie Scott

Sophie is National Medical Reporter for the ABC and a prominent public speaker. Sophie has won numerous awards for excellence in medical and health journalism, including an Australian Museum Eureka award and multiple awards from various professional medical colleges. Sophie's reports appear on ABC TV, radio and online.





SPEAKERS

Craig Wallace

Craig commenced as CEO of Victorian Mental Illness Awareness Council in July 2021. He has been a committed advocate for consumer rights for a number of years. Prior to joining VMIAC, he served as Senior Adviser Lived Experience (Consumer) with Mental Health Reform Victoria, working on the implementation of the Royal Commission recommendations.



Katherine Whetton

Katherine is Deputy Secretary for Mental Health in the Department of Health and Human Services. She is former Deputy Secretary, Strategy and Performance Group and Executive Director, Education State Policy and Design, where she was responsible for leading development and policy coherence of the overarching Education State agenda.



Simon Pont

Simon is Director Quality Systems and Practice at Suicide Prevention Australia. He has close to 20 years experience as an accredited social worker. He is a conjoint lecturer at the University of Newcastle and was Project Lead (Suicide Prevention) for Life in Mind at Everymind.

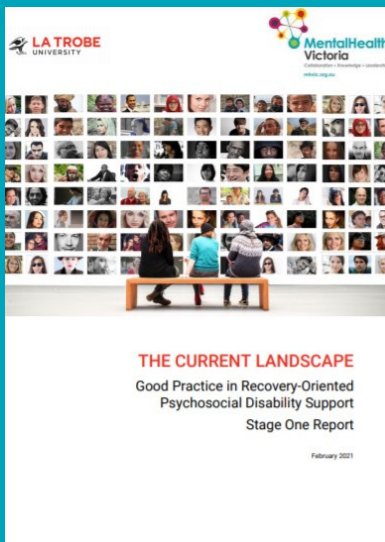


SHOWCASE

Incorporating lived experience

Belinda Caldwell is CEO Eating Disorders Victoria. She previously led the Australian Practice Nurses Association for seven years, and held a senior role at CEED, the Victorian Centre of Excellence in Eating Disorders.

Rose Cuff is Executive Director Satellite Foundation. She is an Occupational Therapist who has worked in child, adolescent and adult mental health services since 1987.



La Trobe University research into psychosocial disability, recovery orientated practice and the NDIS

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PANELISTS



Panel #1: Embedding safety and inclusivity

Jackson Fairchild is Head of Policy and Programs Rainbow Health Victoria. They were previously Director of Practice and Learning at No to Violence, and a Counsellor and Clinical Supervisor in private practice.

Mischa Barr is Policy and Health Promotion Manager Women's Health Victoria. She served as Principal Policy Officer, Response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sex Abuse at DHHS.

Rashmi Kumar is Executive Officer Ethnic Communities' Council of Victoria. She has worked for several years in advocacy and policy development to promote social justice and eliminate inequality in Vic., NSW and nationally.

Sheree Lowe is Executive Director of the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation's (VACCHO) Social and Emotional Wellbeing Centre of Excellence.

Panel #2: Providing crisis supports

Wayne Gatt is Secretary and CEO the Police Association Victoria, where he represents more than 18,000 police and Protective Service Officers (PSOs) across the state.

A/Prof Mick Stephenson is CEO of Ambulance Victoria, an intensive care paramedic, and Adjunct Associate Professor Community Emergency Health and Paramedic Practice at Monash University.

Tom Dalton has been CEO of Neami since June 2019. He came to the role after serving as CEO of Forensicare. A lawyer by background, he has worked in private practice, community legal centres and for government.

Fran Timmins is Director of Nursing and Acute Care Transition Co-ordinator at St Vincent's Mental Health. The hospital's Safe Haven Cafe is a therapeutic space for people seeking support.

Panel #3: Orienting towards recovery

Nicole Bartholomeusz is Chief Executive at cohealth. She has worked extensively in public health and government in executive and non-executive roles for over 20 years.

Nikki Wynne is Director of Services at Wellways. Previously she was an Area and Executive Manager for Richmond Fellowship Queensland, and Senior Manager Culture and Community Inclusion at Multicultural Australia.

Neil Turton Lane is NDIS Manager at Victorian Mental Illness Awareness Council. He has worked in lived experience leadership roles as a consumer consultant and peer worker in both clinical and community mental health.

Marie Piu is CEO of Tandem. She has been a supporter of family members living with mental health challenges since she was a young child. She is passionate about having a Victorian mental health and wellbeing system that is safe for all, inclusive, fair, and well-funded.



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