

Program

2024 PCNA Conference Program

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	Wednesday 31 July
16:00	Registration Hotel Foyer
17:00 – 19:00	<div style="text-align: right;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;"> Welcome Reception Australia Ballroom <i>Join us for an informal networking evening with colleagues from across Australia. Drinks and canapes will be provided.</i> <i>Sponsored by Call on Clare</i> </p>
	Thursday 1 August
0730	Registration Hotel Foyer
0830 – 0910	Conference Opening
Room	Australia Room 1-3
MC	Jean Kittson
0830 – 0900	Welcome to Country Dr Mandy Nicholson Djirri Djirri Wurundjeri Women's Dance Group
	Welcome to the Conference Kate Swetenham <i>President Palliative Care Nurses Australia</i>
0900 – 0910	 Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care Platinum Partner Address Alison McMillan <i>Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer, Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care</i>
0910 – 1030	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;"> Plenary Session 1 Paving the way for improved access to and provision of palliative and end of life care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders <i>This session is sponsored by a collaboration between Children's Health Queensland and the Office of First Nation's Health</i> </p>
Room	Australia Room 1-3

Chair Moderator	Claudia Viridun Kate Swetenham
0910 – 0940	Care of Humanity: The challenges of embedding caritas within palliative care for First Nations Australians Professor Lynore Geia
0940 – 1010	<i>School of Nursing and Midwifery, Edith Cowan University</i> Weaving past and present – Integrating the future Kat Hooper <i>Indigenous Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner, Queensland Health</i>
1010 – 1020	Supporting Access to Culturally Grounded Palliative and End-of-Life Care through the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workforce Eliza Munro <i>Director, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Palliative Care Association</i>
1020 – 1030	Discussion time & Session Wrap Up Jean Kittson
1030 – 1100	Morning Tea Function Foyer Exhibition and Posters

1100 – 1230	 <p>Workshops Immersive workshops to deepen learning in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ways of knowing, being and doing and how these apply to palliative care provision <i>The following workshops are sponsored by a collaboration between Children's Health Queensland and the Office of First Nation's Health</i> All delegates will have the opportunity to participate in both workshops. You will be split into two groups at the conference, and advised which</p>
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Room	1100 – 1140 Australia Room 1&2 1150 – 1230 Australia Room 3&4	1100 – 1140 Australia Room 3&4 1150 – 1230 Australia Room 1&2
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Chair	Kylie Draper	Claudia Viridun
	<p>First Nations Health Sovereignty and Health Justice: Cultural Safety and Critical Consciousness Learnings for your Critical Allyship Journey</p> <p>Georgia Radford & Ashley Paxton <i>Members of Weenthunga</i> Weenthunga is a First Nations led network and not-for-profit organisation that amplifies First Nation voices, centres First Nations knowledge and values two-way collaboration</p>	<p>Palliative care in practice – it's not about assumptions, it's about conversations</p> <p>Kat Hooper <i>Indigenous Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner, Queensland Health</i> Dr Christine Sanderson <i>Medical Director, Territory Palliative Care – Central Australia Alice Springs Hospital</i> Jane Stephens <i>Clinical Nurse Consultant, Brisbane South Palliative Care Collaboration (BSPCC)</i> Jane Ulrik <i>CNS Community Palliative Care, Alice Springs Hospital</i></p> <p>Facilitation Support: Kate Swetenham, Libby Miller, Aileen Collier and Sarah Begley</p>

1230 – 1330	Lunch Lane Restaurant Exhibition and Posters
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1330 – 1445	Concurrent Sessions & Workshops
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	Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care Workshop	Acute Care	Rural Care	Aged Care and Consumer Engagement
Room	Australia Room 1	Australia Room 2	Australia Room 3	Australia Room 4
Chair Moderator	Kate Swetenham Caroline Phelan	Claudia Viridun Sarah Begley	Anna Nicholas Josh Cohen	Aileen Collier Libby Miller

1330 – 1345	 <p>Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care Palliative Care Conversations: Finding</p>	Driving improved integration of palliative care within a general medical and respiratory ward context Nathan McGrath	Consumer perspectives on key elements of rural palliative care delivery: A systematic review and meta-synthesis Claire Marshall	Listening for the story: The transformative power of story in palliative care, a consumer's perspective Imelda Gilmore
1345 – 1400	<p>compassion and clarity in challenging situations Kim Devery <i>Associate Professor, Lead End-of-Life Essentials</i> Mark Boughey <i>Director of Palliative Medicine, St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne and Deputy Director, Centre for Palliative Care – CarerHelp</i> Patsy Yates <i>Distinguished Professor, Executive Dean, Faculty of Health, Director, Centre for Healthcare Transformation, Queensland University of Technology</i> Objectives: • Gain practical skills to help you communicate confidently and effectively with patients and their families in palliative care settings. • Develop strategies for facilitating communication among healthcare professionals and healthcare teams in palliative care contexts, fostering collaboration and multidisciplinary approaches to care. • Find out more about the range of free, palliative care education and training opportunities for nurses.</p>	Development and evaluation of a 'level of dependency withdrawal of NIVs framework' to promote consistent symptom management when withdrawing non-invasive ventilatory support for end-of-life respiratory failure patients Mary Lafferty	Is Equality in Rural Palliative Care Service Delivery a Myth? Jenny McKenzie	Navigating care at the end of life: Perspectives of Australian residential aged care nurses Priyanka Vandersman
1400 – 1415		Exploring pressure injury risk assessment in acute palliative care patients: A scoping review Saroeun Ven	Finding balance: Registered nurses experience of providing home-based palliative care in rural communities in Australia Lyn Rabbetts	Palliative care in aged care: A comparison of SPC and RACF assessment of needs Sabina Clapham
1415 – 1430		Building the specialised palliative care team workforce through an innovative program Melissa Bruno	What works well? Adopting a strengths-based approach to improving rural palliative care Marylouise Freeman	Enablers of Optimal Consumer and Community Involvement in Palliative Care Research and Service Delivery Mollie Wilson & Christine Hofmeyer
1430 – 1445		Palliative approach remains lacking in terminal hospitals admissions for rural chronic disease – multi-site audit Rebecca Disler	Palliative Care Connect – Finding your way to palliative care Mariana Ricci	Discussion time

1445 – 1515	Afternoon Tea Function Foyer Exhibition and Posters
1515 – 1710	Plenary Session 2 Enabling family members to be valued and supported members of the health care team
Room	Australia Room 1-3
Chair Moderator	Kate Swetenham Claudia Viridun
1515 – 1525	Layers of loss when end of life is not what it could be Jean Kittson
1525 – 1535	Will You Walk Me Home? The lived experience of palliative care from a family member's perspective Imelda Gilmore
1535 – 1605	Enabling family members to be valued and supported members of the health care team Associate Professor Ranak Trivedi
1605 – 1620	<i>Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences, Stanford University</i> Strategies to engage resident's representatives in Aged Care Karen Glaetzer
1620 – 1635	Listening, learning and co-designing to enable optimal care – Pop-up palliative care from Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service Charlene McCall
1635 – 1650	Supporting families in practice: Getting communication right at the end of life through a cultural diversity lens Laura Brooks
1650 – 1705	We're all in this together... Consumers as co-designers and collaborators when developing Telehealth Paediatric Palliative Care Services Alyson Gundry
1705 – 1710	Discussion time & Session Wrap Up Jean Kittson
1900 – 2300	Conference Dinner Australia Ballroom <i>Join us for a night of connection and fun over dinner before the infamous dancefloor antics of palliative care nurses from across Australia.</i>
	Friday 2 August
Room	Ballroom 4
0700 – 0815	Breakfast learning session for Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care scholarship recipients  Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care
0800	Registration Hotel Foyer
0830 – 0845	Welcome to Day 2
Room	Australia Room 1-3
	Acknowledgement of Country Kat Hooper Welcome to Day 2 Jean Kittson
0845 – 1050	Plenary Session 3 The critical role of nurses in enabling improved access to and provision of palliative and end of life care across all care settings
Room	Australia Room 1-3
Chair Moderator	Kate Swetenham Claudia Viridun
0845 – 0915	Strengthening the nursing voice to lead change at the patient, service and policy level – how can we see this happen? Professor Patricia Davidson
0915 – 0945	<i>Vice-Chancellor and President, University of Wollongong</i> Nursing leadership in Australia – enabling all to work to full scope of practice Anne Skipper AM
0945 – 1005	<i>Chair, Silverchain Group Board</i> Strengthening your nursing voice Kate Munro

1005 – 1025	<p align="center">National Policy Updates Palliative Care in Australia – Key Policy issues in the next 5 years Camilla Rowland <i>CEO, Palliative Care Australia</i> Aged care reform in Australia: Unintended consequences Larissa McIntyre <i>Chair, Palliative Aged Care Network (PACN)</i></p>			
1025 – 1045	<p align="center">Vivien Bullwinkel Award for Best Abstract Burnout in providing end-of-life care within aged care: Balancing individual and organisational factors and responses Raechel Damarell <i>Senior Research Fellow, Flinders University – Research Centre for Palliative Care, Death and Dying</i></p>			
1045 – 1050	<p align="center">Session Wrap Up Jean Kittson</p>			
1050 – 1120	<p align="center">Morning Tea Function Foyer Exhibition and Posters</p>			
1120 – 1235	<p align="center">Concurrent Sessions & Workshops</p>			
	Quality of Care Collaborative Australia (QuoCCA) Workshop	Education	Aged and Community	Quality and Safety
Room	Australia Room 1	Australia Room 2	Australia Room 3	Australia Room 4
Chair Moderator	Anna Nicholas	Jess Brown Libby Miller	Kylie Draper Josh Cohen	Aileen Collier Claudia Virdun

1120 – 1135		Training in chronic conditions and clearer rural pathways required in palliative care – mixed-methods study Rebecca Disler	1120 – 1125 Enabling high-value care at the end of life: Development of a generic patient decision aid Allison Lovell	Harnessing the new National Palliative Care Standards 5.1 ed. (2024) for accreditation evidence! Chelsea Menchin
			1125 – 1130 A handbook for the intersection of disability and palliative care Rose Sexton & Samantha Moorhouse	
			1130 – 1135 Describing the first 1000 calls to a free specialist telephone service for all Victorians Esther McMillan-Drendel	
1135 – 1150	 <p>Quality of Care Collaborative Australia Delivering Education in Paediatric Palliative Care</p> <p>Speaking the unspeakable – talking to children and young people about death and dying Melissa Heywood <i>Note: Due to the very interactive nature of this workshop it will be available to onsite attendees only. It will be recorded and made available for viewing in the portal post conference.</i></p>	Community Palliative Care Boot Camp- A New Approach to Training Novice Palliative Care Workers Sarah Begley	1135 – 1140 caring@home increases capacity of primary health clinicians to deliver quality end-of-life care Jane Stephens	The power of the patient’s perspective in driving safety, quality and dignity in care Kim Devery
			1140 – 1145 Use of Smart Glass in Community Palliative Care Hephzibha Rajan & Kamia Sehgal	
			1145 – 1150 Standardised Novice to Advanced Practitioner framework for community palliative care nurses Nicole Spina & Annie Jorgensen	
1150 – 1205		Clinical decision-making in everyday nursing to optimise palliative care provision Tricia O’Connor	1150 – 1155 Carerhelp: Developing resources for rural families caring for someone at the end of life Kristina Thomas	Clinical supervision supports wellbeing and professional development in the palliative care setting Roslyn Kirk
			1155 – 1200 The Residential Aged Care Facility Nurse’s Experience in End-of-Life Care Delivery Lili Gao	
			1200 – 1205 Early Assessment Surveillance and Evaluation (EASE) Trial Program: Alternate model of care for RACF clients Emily Resciniti	
1205 – 1220		Insights from nursing students preparing to have difficult conversations towards the end of life Alison Walsh	1205 – 1210 Recruiting people living with advanced dementia into enhanced sensory care: who missed out and why? Sara Karacsony	Strategic Utilisation of Palliative Care Service Capabilities: Empowering Nurse Managers in Network-Wide Quality Improvement Initiatives Sabina Clapham
1220 – 1235		Enhancing Learning in Community Palliative Care: The Impact of Simulated Home Visits for New Nurses Sarah Begley	1210 – 1230 Discussion time	Evaluation of a co-designed breathlessness intervention service for the act Roslyn Kirk
1235 – 1335	Lunch Exhibition and Posters PCNA Annual General Meeting (PCNA members only)			

1335 – 1435	Concurrent Sessions & Workshops			
	Workshop	Acute Care	Specialist Palliative Care, Paediatrics and Acute Care	Diverse Populations
Room	Australia Room 1	Australia Room 2	Australia Room 3	Australia Room 4
Chair Moderator	Kate Swetenham	Jess Brown Anna Nicholas	Kylie Draper Josh Cohen	Aileen Collier Sarah Begley
1335 – 1350	But what if the family caregiver is wrong? Navigating the difficulties in enabling family centred care within Australia Associate Professor Ranak Trivedi <i>Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences, Stanford University</i>	Creating a therapeutic palliative environment in the medical ward Elizabeth (Libby) Miller	1330 – 1335 Navigating challenges and complexity in provision of voluntary assisted dying in a palliative care unit Holly Pitt	Cultural safety in palliative care nursing in the Torres Strait Islands and Northern Peninsula Area Daniel Gela & Sophie Blackmore
			1335 – 1340 Reducing the rate of death outside the PCOC Terminal Phase Clare Warren	
			1340 – 1345 Integrating renal and palliative care. Does it make a difference in patient's quality of life? Grace Edwards	
1350 – 1405	But what if the family caregiver is wrong? Navigating the difficulties in enabling family centred care within Australia Associate Professor Ranak Trivedi <i>Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences, Stanford University</i>	Quality of care of inpatients with palliative care needs using patient reported experience data Gursharan Singh	1345 – 1350 Acute care nurses encounters with patients having end-of-life dreams and visions – a qualitative study Alison Hession	Understanding Palliative Care Experiences Among Chinese Migrants in Australia Ruth Wei & Catherine Fetherston
			1350 – 1355 Feasibility of implementing a brief Patient Reported Experience Measure for inpatients with palliative care needs Claudia Virdun	
			1355 – 1400 Caring for dying children in the paediatric intensive care unit: let's do it well Melissa Thompson	
1405 – 1420	But what if the family caregiver is wrong? Navigating the difficulties in enabling family centred care within Australia Associate Professor Ranak Trivedi <i>Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences, Stanford University</i>	Benefits of patient-centred family meetings in palliative care – giving patients and families a voice Philippa Cahill	1400 – 1405 Paediatric Palliative Care in Australia: An Overview of the Need Alison Bowers	Palliative care for people in prison: A meta-synthesis of clinicians' and correctional officers' experiences Isabelle Schaefer
			1405 – 1410 Head, heart & hands: Essential education elements in promoting wellbeing in Paediatric Palliative Care Alyson Gundry	
			1410 – 1430 Discussion time	
1420 – 1435	But what if the family caregiver is wrong? Navigating the difficulties in enabling family centred care within Australia Associate Professor Ranak Trivedi <i>Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Sciences, Stanford University</i>	Driving quality delirium care in palliative care: Results of stage 1 of the MODEL-PC study Annmarie Hosie		'Nowhere to go' Improving access to Palliative Care for those experiencing homelessness with illusive boundaries Joan Ryan

1435 – 1505	Afternoon Tea Function Foyer
1505 – 1620	Exhibition and Posters Plenary Session 4 Updates on clinical care delivery from nursing leaders in palliative care provision
Room	Australia Ballroom 1-3
Chair Moderator	Claudia Viridun Kate Swetenham
1505 – 1520	Acute Care for the imminently dying and their people Jeanette Lacey
1520 – 1535	<i>Nurse Practitioner End of Life Care John Hunter Hospital</i> Challenging family dynamics within the context of palliative care – key tips Peter Jenkin
1535 – 1550	<i>Nurse Practitioner Clare Holland House</i> Pain assessment and management – key tips including considering how to navigate drug availability challenges Joshua Cohen <i>Nurse Practitioner Byron/Ballina Palliative Care</i>
1550 – 1605	Delirium assessment and management – key tips Jessica Brown <i>Clinical Nurse Consultant – Palliative Care Consult Team, Monash Health</i>
1605 – 1615	Discussion time
1615 – 1645	Conference Close
Room	Australia Room 1-3
MC	Jean Kittson
	Kate Swetenham <i>President, Palliative Care Nurses Australia</i>