

WORLD INDIGENOUS CANCER CONFERENCE 2016

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12-14 April, 2016

Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre
Queensland, Australia

PROGRAM

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we gather: the Jagara and Turrbal nations.

We welcome and acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres
Strait Islander Elders and community members, as well as
Indigenous people from other countries.



PROGRAM

TUESDAY 12 APRIL

07:00 - 09:00 Auditorium Foyer	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	YARNING CIRCLE PROGRAM See page 12
09:00 - 11:00 Auditorium	OPENING CEREMONY + PLENARY ONE	
09:00 - 11:00 Auditorium	PLENARY ONE Why are we talking about cancer and Indigenous people?	
11:00 - 11:30	MORNING TEA	
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11:30 - 13:00 Room B2	CONCURRENT SESSION 1 1.3 Poster & mini-oral session	
11:30 - 13:00 Auditorium	CONCURRENT SESSION 1 1.2 Leadership & Partnership	
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH	
14:00 - 15:30 Auditorium	PLENARY TWO Screening & prevention, early detection	
15:30 - 16:00	AFTERNOON TEA	
16:00 - 17:30 Room B1	CONCURRENT SESSION 2 2.1 Screening 1	
16:00 - 17:30 Room B2	CONCURRENT SESSION 2 2.2 Palliative care	
16:00 - 17:30 Auditorium	CONCURRENT SESSION 2 2.3 Resource & program development	
17:30 - 19:30 Auditorium Foyer	WELCOME RECEPTION	

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL

07:00 - 08:00	GUIDED MORNING WALKING & RUNNING GROUPS	YARNING CIRCLE PROGRAM See page 13
07:00 - 08:30 Room B1	EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 1 - Ticketed Event Light breakfast provided	
07:00 - 08:30 Room B2	EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 2 - Ticketed Event Light breakfast provided	
09:00 - 10:30 Auditorium	PLENARY THREE Engaging with communities and patients	
10:30 - 11:00	MORNING TEA	
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11:00 - 12:30 Auditorium	CONCURRENT SESSION 3 3.2 Psychosocial care	

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13:30 - 15:00 Auditorium	PLENARY FOUR Diagnosis & care	
15:00 - 15:30	AFTERNOON TEA	
15:30 - 17:00 Auditorium	CONCURRENT SESSION 4 4.1 Treatment 1	
15:30 - 17:00 Room B1	CONCURRENT SESSION 4 4.2 Leadership & partnership 2	
15:30 - 17:00 Room B2	CONCURRENT SESSION 4 4.3 Education & training	
19:00 - 22:00 Sky Terrace BCEC	QUEENSLAND HEALTH GALA DINNER - Ticketed Event Special Performance by Mr Archie Roach	

THURSDAY 14 APRIL

07:00 - 08:30	EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM - Ticketed Event Light breakfast provided	YARNING CIRCLE PROGRAM See page 13
09:00 - 10:30 Auditorium	PLENARY FIVE Wellness & Survivorship	
10:30 - 11:00	MORNING TEA	
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11:00 - 12:30 Auditorium	CONCURRENT SESSION 5 5.2 Consumer Voices	
11:00 - 12:30 Room B2	CONCURRENT SESSION 5 5.3 Screening 2	
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13:30 - 15:00 Room B1	CONCURRENT SESSION 6 6.1 Risk factors	
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15:00 - 15:30	AFTERNOON TEA	
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Working Together to Improve Aboriginal Cancer Outcomes

The Cancer Institute NSW is working with Aboriginal communities to help improve cancer outcomes across NSW.

The Institute has a range of resources specifically designed for Aboriginal peoples on the prevention, detection and treatment of cancer.

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- patient information sheets
- education videos on cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment
- quit smoking services and resources
- health professional resources.

www.cancerinstitute.org.au

Working together to
lessen the impact of cancer



CONFERENCE HOSTS



The Hosts

The World Indigenous Cancer Conference 2016 is hosted by Menzies School of Health Research, in partnership with the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC). WICC 2016 is supported by a Strategic Research Partnership Grant funded by Cancer Council New South Wales (STREP CaCIndA) and the Centre for Research Excellence in Discovering Indigenous Strategies to Improve Cancer Outcomes via Engagement, Research Translation, and Training (DISCOVER-TT). The conference is guided by an Executive Organising Committee and a Scientific Advisory Committee comprised of Indigenous and non-Indigenous members from countries including but not limited to Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United States.

Menzies School of Health Research

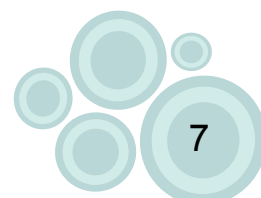


The Menzies School of Health Research is Australia's only medical research institute dedicated to improving Indigenous health and wellbeing. We have a 30-year history of scientific discovery and public health achievement. Menzies was established in 1985 as a body corporate of the Northern Territory Government under the Menzies Act 1985. This Act was amended in 2004 to formalise the relationship with Charles Darwin University (CDU). Menzies is now a major partner of CDU and constitutes a school within the University's Institute of Advanced Studies. Our work addresses critical issues such as mental health, nutrition, substance abuse, child health and development, as well as chronic diseases such as cancer, kidney disease and heart disease. We also lead global research into life-threatening illnesses in the Asia-Pacific, such as malaria and tuberculosis. We endeavour to break the cycle of disease and to reduce health inequities in Australia and the Asia-Pacific region, particularly for disadvantaged populations. Our mandate is to seek enduring solutions to problems that matter; the kind that when tackled, have the potential to make an immense difference to the quality of lives both here and abroad.

International Agency for Research on Cancer



The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) is the specialised cancer agency of the World Health Organisation. The objective of the IARC is to promote international collaboration in cancer research. The Agency is inter-disciplinary, bringing together skills in epidemiology, laboratory sciences and biostatistics to identify the causes of cancer so that preventive measures may be adopted and the burden of disease and associated suffering reduced. A significant feature of the IARC is its expertise in coordinating research across countries and organizations; its independent role as an international organization facilitates this activity. The Agency has a particular interest in conducting research in low and middle-income countries through partnerships and collaborations with researchers in these regions.





WELCOME MESSAGES



It is with excitement and great pleasure that I welcome you to the World Indigenous Cancer Conference 2016 – the inaugural conference on cancer and Indigenous people.

For the first time, we are bringing together researchers, public health practitioners, clinicians, nurses, advocacy groups, allied health and other related professionals, Indigenous cancer survivors and their families, and Indigenous community groups and leaders from around the globe to connect, communicate and collaborate. This conference is the first of its kind and provides a forum that is purely dedicated to cancer and Indigenous people.

Over the next three days we will hear a range of presentations, research findings and personal stories that interlock to form a platform from which we can build on, as we strive to reduce cancer disparities for Indigenous people and the global burden of cancer affecting Indigenous people around the world.

The comprehensive conference program will include keynote addresses from national and international experts and a range of other presentations to showcase delegates' work: concurrent, individual and joint presentations; posters; interactive workshops; and symposiums. We will hold a Yarning Circle throughout the conference that is designed to provide a relaxed and welcoming space where delegates can listen to others and share their own stories.

We welcome our Australian and international Indigenous and non-Indigenous colleagues whose expertise and interests are in Indigenous health and cancer. Thank you to all our delegates, I hope that you enjoy your time in Brisbane and take away much inspiration and information from this conference.

WICC 2016 is hosted by Menzies School of Health Research in partnership with the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC). WICC 2016 is partially funded as a part of a Strategic Research Partnership Grant with Cancer Council New South Wales (STREP CaCIndA). I would like to thank Cancer Council New South Wales and IARC for their partnership at this very important event.

This conference is the culmination of many months of hard work from the Executive Organising Committee and the Scientific Advisory Committee, and I thank everyone for their time, effort and enthusiasm to make this happen.

The World Indigenous Cancer Conference aims to begin the global collaboration of people involved in Indigenous health, and our hope is that the conversation continues to only grow and strengthen.

Associate Professor Gail Garvey
Chair, WICC Executive Organising Committee
Principal Research Fellow,
Menzies School of Health Research



On behalf of Menzies School of Health Research, I welcome you to the inaugural World Indigenous Cancer Conference 2016.

Health research and evidence-based service improvement play a critical role in extending and improving millions of lives each year. For over 30 years, Menzies has partnered with Indigenous communities and populations across our region to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities. Through a commitment to excellence in research, the development of evidence-based programs and building local capacity through training and employment, Menzies is tackling significant Indigenous health issues. Addressing the burden of cancer affecting Indigenous communities is one of our key areas of work.

Despite being the second leading cause of death, until recently cancer has not been seen as a priority in Indigenous health in Australia. Menzies has taken a collaborative, coordinated and strategic approach to using research to raise the level of awareness and improve cancer outcomes for Indigenous Australians. In 2013, Menzies launched Australia's first national Indigenous cancer research centre, the Centre of Research Excellence in Discovering Indigenous Strategies to Improve Cancer Outcomes Via Engagement, Research Translation, and Training (DISCOVER-TT). A Strategic Research Partnership Grant to improve cancer control for Indigenous Australians (STREP Ca-CIndA) was also awarded to Menzies by Cancer Council New South Wales, with supplemental funding from Cancer Council Western Australia.

DISCOVER-TT and STREP Ca-CIndA form a single comprehensive integrated program of research with the aim of improving survival and quality of life for Indigenous people with cancer, through a strategic focus on health system performance in the areas of diagnosis, treatment and care. This is being achieved through national and international collaborations with service providers, cancer advocates, survivors, researchers, policy makers and Indigenous leaders.

I am very proud to be working with a team of people, led by Associate Professor Gail Garvey in Brisbane, who have coordinated this wonderful opportunity to connect, communicate and collaborate. The ideas shared here at WICC 2016 will help inform future initiatives for the improvement of health in Indigenous people globally.

Professor Alan Cass
Director, Menzies School of Health Research



The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) is pleased to partner with the Menzies School of Health Research to hold the inaugural World Indigenous Cancer Conference in Brisbane, Australia 12-14th April 2016. This meeting will bring together cancer researchers, health professionals, cancer survivors and representatives from indigenous communities around the world, to discuss the latest findings in the field, encourage high quality research and to stimulate the development of international collaborations.

Indigenous people, who comprise about 6% of the world's population, have disproportionately worse health and lower life expectancy than non-indigenous counterparts but until recently their particular cancer burden has been largely overlooked. Even in countries with robust cancer registration systems, cancer incidence and mortality data have often not been readily available or extensively studied for indigenous people.

More recently, studies in some countries report that cancer is now the second leading cause of death in indigenous people and that survival after a diagnosis of cancer is worse for indigenous compared to non-indigenous counterparts. In addition, the incidence of different types of cancer can differ between indigenous and non-indigenous people. A recent IARC-led publication, in collaboration with researchers in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and the USA, reported a higher incidence of largely preventable cancers, such as lung and cervix cancers in some indigenous populations.

In face of these challenges and disparities there is an urgent need for communities and governments to work together to improve cancer surveillance, prevention and early detection programmes. Conferences such as the World Indigenous Cancer Conference, led and supported by indigenous researchers, can facilitate efforts to reduce the burden of cancer for indigenous people.

On behalf of the Conference Organizing Committee, I welcome you to this innovative scientific exchange with the hope that our time together will be a catalyst for the future and enable science to be translated through to practical changes that improve people's lives.

Christopher P. Wild
Director, International Agency for Research on Cancer, World Health Organization



GET THE MOST OUT OF WICC

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Connect, communicate and collaborate online. Share your thoughts and join the conversation @WICC2016

Conference App

Download the WICC app today to keep up to date with the latest program and entertainment information. See who's presenting, what's on and build your own program. The WICC conference app can be used as an app or web based program, making it your perfect companion during the WICC 2016. Scan the QR code to the right to access the WICC app or go to the 'program' tab within www.menzies.edu.au/WICC2016 to download the app. Visit the registration desk if you require any assistance.



Walking and running groups

Morning is the perfect time to explore South Bank and some exercise will keep you focused and ready for a full day at WICC. The meeting point for both walking and running groups is the Wheel of Brisbane, South Bank Parklands, river end of Russel St. The walking group will meet at 7am on both Wednesday and Thursday mornings. The running group will meet at 7am on Wednesday morning only. The run will take up to 40 minutes and follow a track around Brisbane. Please visit the registration desk for an information sheet.

Photographs

Photographs will be available for download after the conference. There will be a photobooth for delegates during the welcome reception on Tuesday 12th April. If you would prefer not to be photographed or filmed at WICC, please advise the photographer directly.

Dress codes & traditional dress

Delegates are welcome and encouraged to wear traditional dress during the conference, particularly during the opening and closing plenary sessions. During the social events at the conference we invite you to wear traditional dress, smart casual or business attire.

Video

A number of sessions during the conference will be filmed and made available online after the conference. Registered delegates will receive an email notifying them when these materials are available. A short highlights package will also be available which will include social and other events, including the Yarning Circle.

In case of distress

A quiet space is available should you become distressed at any time during the conference. Please ask a WICC volunteer who will direct you to this space.

WICC Volunteers

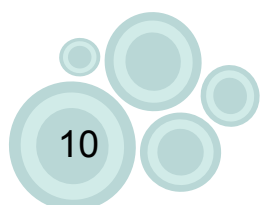
The WICC volunteers are here to assist you. Please approach any of the volunteers (wearing WICC Support Crew t-shirts) with any questions you have during the conference.

WICC DECLARATION SPACE

Visit the WICC 2016 Declaration Space to share your ideas through comments, stories, tributes, drawings or any other medium of your preference.

Your ideas can be displayed on the wall in the Declaration Space so other delegates can read, enjoy and be inspired by them.

Over the three days of the conference this will develop into a collage that will evolve into a WICC 2016 declaration on improving cancer outcomes for Indigenous people.



PROGRAM EXTRAS

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED



EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 1

With and for First Nations, Inuit and Métis: Using a caucus model to advance cancer control in Canada

Panel presentation with representatives from: Canadian Partnership Against Cancer Board of Directors;

Assembly of First Nations; Métis National Council; Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL | 07:00 - 08:30 | Room B1

The Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (the Partnership) is improving First Nations, Inuit and Métis cancer control with and for First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and partners, through connections, communication, collaboration and implementation of the National Aboriginal Organizations Caucus, which includes the Métis National Council, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami and the Assembly of First Nations. Panellists for this proposed session represent these national organizations. The session is a priority topic of global interest, as it will present a model for sharing and advancing the cancer control priorities of Indigenous populations at a national level. The session will link the role of the Caucus to the work of the Partnership by describing the Caucus model and the current initiatives with and for First Nations, Inuit and Métis. Respective panellists will also share the priorities of First Nations, Inuit and Metis within Canada.

EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 2

The Renewal of the National Cervical Screening Program in Australia: What are the key issues for Indigenous women in the transition of the program to primary HPV screening?

Presented by Ian Hammond, Chair steering committee, National Renewal Project

Karen Canfell, Director of the Cancer Research Division at Cancer Council NSW

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL | 07:00 - 08:30 | Room B2

In 2017, the National Cervical Screening Program in Australia will be one of the first in the world to transition to primary HPV testing for cervical screening. In the renewed program, women aged 25-70 years will be screened with HPV every 5 years, and this will replace the current program with 2-yearly cytology (Pap smears) in women aged 18-20 to 69 years. Rates of cervical cancer incidence and mortality are higher in Indigenous women, and the transition to the Renewed program will have particular implications and raise particular issues for Indigenous women. This interactive symposium will form part of an extensive consultation process to engage with Indigenous women and understand their priorities for cervical screening in the renewed cervical screening program.

LUNCHTIME SEMINAR - Hosted by WICC 2016 Major Sponsor, Cancer Australia

Title: Putting the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework into practice

Panellists: Prof Jacinta Elston, Prof Helen Zorbas AO, Prof Tom Calma AO, Dr Mark Wenitong, April Lawrie-Smith and Amanda Mitchell.

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL | 12:30 - 13:30 | Room B1

This seminar will host a panel of key representatives across the cancer control and Indigenous health sectors to share insights and engage with participants around opportunities to put the Cancer Framework into practice.

THIS SEMINAR HAS REACHED CAPACITY AND REGISTRATIONS HAVE NOW CLOSED

EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 3

Title: Indigenous tobacco smoking and cancer prevention – global opportunities for knowledge translation using traditional and innovative arts and media based research

Gillian Gould (Chair) University of Newcastle, Australia

David Copley – Pangula Mannamurna Aboriginal Medical Service, Australia

Marewa Glover - Research Centre for Maori Health & Development, Massey University, New Zealand

Linda Burhansstipanov - Native American Cancer Research Corporation, USA

Moana Tane – Menzies School of Health Research; Nindilingarri Cultural Health Services, Australia

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Indigenous peoples, in countries colonised by western nations, share similar challenges with high prevalence of tobacco smoking, which puts them at high risk from cancers of all types. Knowledge translation and associated interventions have several purposes: to educate and inform communities about the harms of tobacco smoking; to empower people to make healthy choices; and to disseminate research findings back to community. Culturally appropriate media and art-based approaches and indigenous knowledge principles all have the potential to increase the quality of communication in these areas. This symposium will consider how knowledge translation can be effectively and innovatively be used by indigenous communities and researchers to raise awareness and prevent cancer by reducing exposure to tobacco smoking.



YARNING CIRCLE

The WICC 2016 Yarning Circle is a relaxed and welcoming space where conference participants can listen to others and share stories as we work collaboratively to reduce the global burden of cancer affecting Indigenous people.

The Yarning Circle connects people, and the stories told will provide inspiration as we discuss cancer survival, cancer care and screening services, health and wellbeing programs, cancer research and education programs for Indigenous people internationally.

Special guest storytellers include Aunty Marg Lawton, the first Breast Cancer Network Association (BCNA) Aboriginal Community Liaison and 2016 Griffith Australia Day Award winner for her work with Carina Youth Agency and BCNA. Aunty Marg will be joined by Uncle Bill Buchanan, Co-Chair Reconciliation Qld Inc., who will also share his cancer survival story. We also have a number of people joining the Yarning Circle from the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health, key research institutions, the Queensland Department of Health,

and leaders in the Indigenous cancer community from Canada, United States and New Zealand.

The three-day Yarning Circle program was developed by an Indigenous Australian advisory group comprising NICAN Ambassadors, Indigenous Australian community-controlled health services and peak organisations, Menzies School of Health Research, research centres and the Queensland Government along with partners from our global network of Indigenous cancer experts.

The Yarning Circle will run throughout the conference in the exhibition foyer area, delegates are welcome to visit the Yarning Circle to yarn with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and to attend key discussions taking place in the breaks of the conference program.

As we continue to evolve and shape the future of global cancer care for Indigenous people, we invite you to join the WICC Yarning Circle to share your story.

TUESDAY 12 APRIL

ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMUNITIES

11:00	Welcome to country Aunty Marg Lawton
11:15	Sharing stories of cancer survival National Indigenous Cancer Network (NICaN) Ambassadors
11:40	Government Administration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in Queensland; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders: Elders in the Community Dept of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships - Brisbane Council of Elders
12:15	Engaging Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in research projects QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute
12:45	Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet
13:00 - 16:00	Yarning Up - Open Forum
16:00	Cancer Screening – catching cancer early Queensland Health Cancer Screening Unit
16:30	Supporting cancer patients NICaN Ambassadors, cancer survivors, carers and others welcome

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL

WHICH WAY: ENGAGING COMMUNITIES

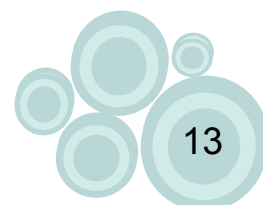
09:00	Yarning Up - Open Forum
11:00	Deadly Choices – prevention and health Institute for Urban Indigenous Health
11:30	Cultural awareness and competency David Copley, Pangula Mannamurna Aboriginal Medical Service
12:30	Cervical Cancer Screening program - Communicating through storytelling Supported by Menzies and Cancer Council Victoria
13:30	Yarning Up - Open Forum
15:30	Cancer Survivors – Yarning and Sharing Stories Canadian Cancer Care Project

THURSDAY 14 APRIL

COMMUNICATIONS AND REFLECTIONS

09:00	Yarning Up - Open Forum
11:00	Cancer Survivors – What I wanted to know about cancer but didn't NICaN Ambassadors, cancer survivors, carers and others welcome
11:30	Yarning Up - Open Forum
12:45	Grandmothers, grandchildren and Breast Cancer - community performance Ganyjuu Family Support Service's Grandmothers Group - Digi Youth Arts Group
13:30	Media interviews with participants 98.9FM & National Indigenous Radio Service
14:30	Close Yarning Circle

WICC 2016 YARNING CIRCLE PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY





DAILY PROGRAM

TUESDAY 12 APRIL

07:00 - 09:00

Auditorium Foyer

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

09:00 - 11:00

Auditorium

OPENING CEREMONY + PLENARY ONE

WELCOME TO COUNTRY - Songwoman Maroochy

DANCE PERFORMANCE - Nunukul Yuggera

WELCOME REMARKS - Queensland Government representative

09:00 - 11:00

Auditorium

PLENARY ONE

Why are we talking about cancer and Indigenous people?

Chaired by Gail Garvey, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

1. Understanding and addressing health inequities in cancer: challenges and opportunities
David R Williams, Harvard University (USA)
2. Smoking and Prevention
Tom Calma AO, Consultant to Commonwealth Department of Health (Australia)
3. Global cancer burden: the necessity for prevention and early detection
Christopher Wild, International Agency for Research on Cancer (France)

11:00 - 11:30

MORNING TEA

11:30 - 13:00

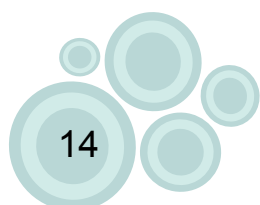
Room B1

CONCURRENT SESSION 1

1.1 Epidemiology 1

Chaired by Raj Supramaniam, Cancer Council New South Wales (Australia)

1. Establishing the capacity for Indigenous South Australians to benefit from cancer care: Developing and piloting an Advanced Cancer Data System (ACaDS)
David Banham, SAHMRI (Australia)
2. Head and neck cancers (HNC) among Indigenous Australians living in Queensland, 1997-2012
Susanna Cramb, Cancer Council Queensland (Australia)
3. Disparities in Cancer Incidence between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Adults in Canada: Follow up of the 1991 Canadian Census Cohort
Diana Withrow, Cancer Care Ontario (Canada)
4. Cancer incidence in indigenous people in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and the USA: a comparative population-based study
Suzanne Moore, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)
5. Gaps in cancer treatment and outcomes for Aboriginal people in New South Wales, Australia
Dianne O'Connell, Cancer Council New South Wales (Australia)
6. Incidence and mortality of cancer in Greenlandic Inuit 1983-2012 – including a comparison with the Nordic countries.
Umbreen Yousaf, Danish Cancer Society, Copenhagen (Denmark)



DAILY PROGRAM

TUESDAY 12 APRIL



11:30 - 13:00

Room B2

CONCURRENT SESSION 1

1.3 Poster & mini-oral session

Chaired by Patricia Valery, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute (Australia)

[Knowing what is important - a theory of change for improving equity in breast, cervical and bowel cancer screening](#)

Rachael Andersen, Department of Health and Human Services (Australia)

[Finding the right fit between a national screening program and the needs of Indigenous communities: Promising signs for program adaption](#)

Jenny Brands, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

[Understanding access to healthcare services through geospatial visualisation of barriers and enablers for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations](#)

Darren Clinch, Department of Health and Human Services (Australia)

[Communication, Health Professionals, and Aboriginal Cancer Patients.](#)

Gwenda Gilligan, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

[Towards systematic monitoring of the experiences of care of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer: Phase One](#)

Monica Green, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

[The potential utility of the mortality to incidence ratio complement as a proxy for cause-specific survival in an Indigenous population](#)

Kalinda Griffiths, University of Sydney (Australia)

[Distribution of cancer-related characteristics for childhood central nervous system tumors among American Indian and white children in Oklahoma](#)

Amanda Janitz, Southern Plains Tribal Health Board (USA)

[Enduring and emerging challenges of Cancer Clinical Trials involving Australian Indigenous patients in the Northern Territory](#)

Rama Jayaraj, Charles Darwin University (Australia)

[To determine the frequency of histological types and common sites of oral cancer among Mullu Kuruma, Paniya and Kattunaikka tribes](#)

Dexton Johns, Non Govt Non Profit Organisation-Abhilash Dental Clinic (India)

[Implementing STARS in Indian Country: Observations and Experiences](#)

Scott Leischow, Mayo Clinic (USA)

[Patient-reported outcomes for Aboriginal people with cancer: lessons learnt assessing health-related quality of life in South and Central Australia](#)

Jasmine Micklem, Wardliparingga Aboriginal Health Research Unit, South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (Australia)

[Head and neck cancer and its association with tobacco chewing habits in Paniya tribes of India](#)

Shanavas Palliyal, DM Wayanad Institute of Medical Sciences (India)

[Women's Wellness Day: An innovative collaborative approach to improve cancer screening and uptake among Indigenous Women](#)

Kim Passante, Carbal Medical Centre (Australia)

[Improving Psycho-Oncology in Australia: From principles to practice with the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework](#)

Sophia Wooldridge, Psycho-Oncology Service, Calvary Mater Hospital Newcastle (Australia)

The following posters are exhibited at WICC but are not presented by the authors during concurrent session 1.3

[Tobacco use, smoking quit rates, and socioeconomic patterning among Indigenous tribe of Rural Mangalore - A cross sectional study](#)

Eby Aluckal, Anndoor Dental College, Muvattupuzha (India)

[Indigenous Counselling and Nicotine \(ICAN\) QUIT in Pregnancy - developing an evidence-based intervention for smoking cessation for Indigenous pregnant women](#)

Yael Bar Zeev, University of Newcastle (Australia)

[Time Trends In Common Cancer in the United States: A Comparison of American Indian and Non-Hispanic Whites by Region 1999-2012](#)

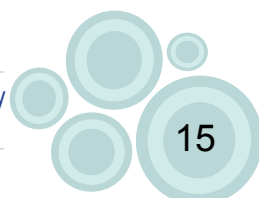
Janis Campbell, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (USA)

[Identifying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Patients in the Australian Primary Health Care Setting](#)

Audra De Witt, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

[Assessment of Quality of Life, health behavior and support services utilisation by cancer patients in Northern Territory](#)

Darshit Parikh, Charles Darwin University (Australia)





DAILY PROGRAM

TUESDAY 12 APRIL

11:30 - 13:00
Auditorium

CONCURRENT SESSION 1 1.2 Leadership & Partnership

Chaired by Linda Burhansstipanov, Native American Cancer Research Corporation, USA

1. **Mino Pimatisiwin: Shifting control over cancer prevention intergenerationally**
Brenda Elias, University of Manitoba (Canada)
2. **Working together: accessing and managing First Nations health information through community-government partnerships**
Bonnie Healy, Alberta First Nations Information Governance Centre (Canada)
3. **An Indigenous Cancer Roundtable as a Way Forward in Canada**
Malcolm King, Simon Fraser University (Canada)
4. **Cancer narratives: Aboriginal Community engagement, cancer awareness, and education through research**
Neville Fazulla, CanDAD Aboriginal Community Reference Group (Australia)
5. **Hei Āhuru Mōwai, Māori Cancer Leadership Aotearoa**
Gary Thompson, Hei Ahuru Maori Cancer Leadership Aotearoa (New Zealand)

13:00 - 14:00

LUNCH

14:00 - 15:30
Auditorium

PLENARY TWO Screening & prevention, early detection

Chaired by Karen Canfell, Cancer Council New South Wales (Australia)

1. **Preventing cancer through vaccination: are we seizing the opportunity?**
Julia Brotherton, Victorian Cytology Service (Australia)
2. **Cervical Screening among Indigenous women**
Lisa Whop, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)
3. **Access, services & policy**
Angeline Letendre, Alberta Health Services (Canada)
4. **Cancer registration**
Freddie Bray, International Agency for Research on Cancer (France)



15:30 - 16:00

AFTERNOON TEA

16:00 - 17:30
Room B1

CONCURRENT SESSION 2 2.1 Screening 1

Chaired by David Roder, University of South Australia (Australia) and Sandra Miller, CanDAD Aboriginal Community Reference Group (Australia)

1. **Mana Wahine - Community based breast and cervical screening for indigenous Maori women**
Tira Albert, Mana Wahine (New Zealand)
2. **Sisters doing it for themselves: developing a safe and acceptable self-collection model for cervical cancer screening**
Kerry Arabena, University of Melbourne (Australia)
3. **Good news stories to promote screening for breast and cervical cancer**
Jessica Delaney, Cancer Institute NSW (Australia)
4. **It's time for your next breast screen: transitioning from pilot to sustainable screening model**
Nikki McGrath, BreastScreen Victoria (Australia)
5. **Effective colorectal cancer screening navigation education and outreach**
Joy Rivera, American Indian Cancer Foundation (USA)
6. **Improving Cancer Screening Participation in Under Screened Populations: A Community-Driven Approach**
Nisha Srinivasan, Cancer Council Victoria (Australia)

DAILY PROGRAM

TUESDAY 12 APRIL



16:00 - 17:30
Room B2

CONCURRENT SESSION 2 **2.2 Palliative care**

Chaired by Patsy Yates, Queensland University of Technology (Australia)

1. [Development of palliative care educational resources to support patients, caregivers and health professionals for Indigenous populations in Ontario](#)
Diana Withrow, Cancer Care Ontario (Canada)
2. [Increasing understanding of palliative care in Aboriginal Health Workers: The PEPA West Australian Story](#)
Alicia King, Cancer Council Western Australia (Australia)
3. [A Cultured Approach To End Of Life Care](#)
Helen-Anne Manion, Dying at Home (Australia)
4. [Indigenous and non-Indigenous patients who used palliative care services in Australia from July 2011 to June 2014: A descriptive study](#)
Jade Newton, University of Western Australia (Australia)
5. [Innovative approaches in the delivery of end-of-life care for Indigenous people: An integrative review of published literature](#)
Shaouli Shahid, University of Western Australia (Australia)
6. [End of Life care for Aboriginal people with cancer in New South Wales, Australia](#)
Rajah Supramaniam, Cancer Council New South Wales (Australia)

16:00 - 17:30
Auditorium

CONCURRENT SESSION 2 **2.3 Resource & program development**

Chaired by Brenda Elias, University of Manitoba (Canada)

1. [Stand Up Bro, Tane Takitu Ake](#)
Wayne Borell, Cancer Society Waikato/Bay of Plenty Division (New Zealand)
2. [Native American Cancer Education for Survivors: Findings and Support Resources](#)
Linda Burhansstipanov, Native American Cancer Research Corporation (USA)
3. [Closing the prostate cancer gap: a new resource to promote discussion and awareness about prostate cancer amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities](#)
Katie Dundas, Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia (Australia)
4. [Translating Health and Arts for New Knowledge and Understanding: using experiential arts to explore tobacco smoking within Indigenous communities](#)
Gillian Gould, University of Newcastle (Australia)
5. [Localised Culturally Safe Cancer Resources: connecting Indigenous Cancer Patients and Staff for 3rd largest Health Service in Australia.](#)
Rose Wadwell, HNELHD (Australia)
6. [Supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with lung cancer and their communities](#)
Isabella Wallington, Cancer Australia (Australia)

17:30 - 19:30
Auditorium Foyer

WELCOME RECEPTION

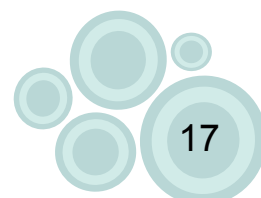
Welcome drinks & light refreshments

Remarks by Professor Alan Cass - Director, Menzies School of Health Research

DANCE PERFORMANCE - Malu Kiai Mura Buai

NATIVE AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS - Geckoes Wildlife

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DAILY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL

07:00 - 08:00

GUIDED MORNING WALKING & RUNNING GROUPS

07:00 - 08:30
Room B1

EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 1 - Ticketed Event | Light breakfast provided
With and for First Nations, Inuit and Métis: Using a caucus model to advance cancer control in Canada

*Panel presentation: Canadian Partnership Against Cancer Board of Directors;
Assembly of First Nations; Métis National Council; Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami*

OPTIONAL
EVENT

07:00 - 08:30
Room B2

EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM 2 - Ticketed Event | Light breakfast provided
The Renewal of the National Cervical Screening Program in Australia: What are the key issues for Indigenous women in the transition of the program to primary HPV screening?

*Presenters: Ian Hammond, Chair, Steering Committee Renewal Implementation Project
Karen Canfell, Director of the Cancer Research Division, Cancer Council NSW*

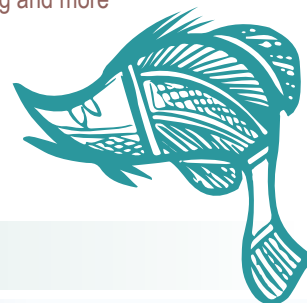
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09:00 - 10:30
Auditorium

PLENARY THREE
Engaging with communities and patients

Chaired by Scott Leischow, Mayo Clinic (USA) and Deborah Woods, Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service (Australia)

1. **Engaging with communities and patients: Native Sisters** (Native Patient Navigators, Survivorship Navigators)
Linda Burhansstipanov, Native American Cancer Research Corporation (USA)
2. **Engaging Well with Aboriginal women in WA - encouraging breast screening and more**
Leanne Pilkington, BreastScreen WA (Australia)
3. **Elders & cancer**
John Waldon, 2 Tama Limited (New Zealand)
4. **Palliative Care**
Patsy Yates, Queensland University of Technology (Australia)



10:30 - 11:00

MORNING TEA

11:00 - 12:30
Room B1

CONCURRENT SESSION 3
3.1 Methods

Chaired by Dianne O'Connell, Cancer Council New South Wales (Australia)

1. **Realising Indigenous Australians capacity to benefit from cancer care: Developing person-centred performance measures in cancer control**
David Banham, SAHMRI (Australia)
2. **A Whole Genome Sequencing Approach to the identification of the genetic contributors to a Vulvar Cancer Cluster in Indigenous Women**
Jo Dickinson, Menzies Institute for Medical Research (Australia)
3. **The use of linked data to better understand health inequities: The story of lung cancer and Indigenous people in NSW**
Kalinda Griffiths, University of Sydney (Australia)
4. **Collaboration for Commercial Smoke-free Environments: A Social Network Analysis of a Navajo Coalition**
Scott Leischow, Mayo Clinic (USA)
5. **A new measure of Aboriginal Community Engagement (ACE) and its relationship with health service use in New South Wales, Australia**
Rajah Supramaniam, Cancer Council New South Wales (Australia)
6. **Theoretical Reflections: Can realist evaluation and the PEN-3 model elucidate Aboriginal Australians cancer narratives?**
Paul Yerrell, NHMRC Cancer Data and Aboriginal Disparities (CanDAD) Project (Australia)

DAILY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL



11:00 - 12:30
Auditorium

CONCURRENT SESSION 3

3.2 Psychosocial care

Chaired by Alison Hocking, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre (Australia)

1. [National assessment of the Supportive Care Needs of Indigenous Cancer Patients: preliminary results of a cross-sectional study](#)
Christina Bernardes, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute (Australia)
2. [Supportive care needs among newly diagnosed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cancer patients: the silver lining for patients with comorbidity](#)
Abbey Diaz, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)
3. [Quality of Life among Indigenous Australians with Cancer](#)
Gail Garvey, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)
4. [Complexities of head and neck cancer: Health-related quality of life concerns reported by Aboriginal patients in South and Central Australia](#)
Jasmine Micklem, Wardliparingga Aboriginal Health Research Unit, South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (Australia)
5. [Unmet supportive care needs of Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders with cancer: a prospective, longitudinal study](#)
Patricia Valery, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute (Australia)
6. [Risk for psychological distress among cancer patients with a familial history of Indian Residential School attendance](#)
Maike van Niekerk, Dalhousie University (Canada)

11:00 - 12:30
Room B2

CONCURRENT SESSION 3

3.3 Resource & program development 2

Chaired by Sandra Thompson, Western Australia Centre for Rural Health, University of Western Australia (Australia)

1. [Findings: the Walking Forward American Indian Survivorship Physical Activity Pilot Program](#)
Linda Burhansstipanov, Native American Cancer Research Corporation (USA)
2. [Knowledge Translation and Education: Dialogue and storywork in support of First Nations, Inuit and Métis cancer patients throughout Oncology and Primary Care transition experiences.](#)
Andre Corriveau, Department of Health & Social Services, Government of the Northwest Territories (Canada)
3. [Not enough time or was the time not right? Exploring the use of bowel cancer screening educational resources](#)
Margaret Haigh, Western Australian Centre for Rural Health (Australia)
4. [Does Digital Storytelling Improve Cancer Prevention and Decrease Medical Mistrust in American Indians?](#)
Emily Haozous, University of New Mexico College of Nursing (USA)
5. [Listen You Women Your Breast Are Precious](#)
Dawn Ross, Batchelor Institute (Australia)
6. [Localised Oncology "Closing the Gap" Videos: connecting Indigenous Cancer Patients and Staff in a Regional Australian Cancer Centre.](#)
Rose Wadwell, HNELHD, (Australia)

12:30 - 13:30

LUNCH

12:30 - 13:30
Room B1

SPECIAL LUNCHTIME SEMINAR – Ticketed Event | Lunch provided

Hosted by Cancer Australia

Putting the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework into Practice

Panellists: Prof Jacinta Elston, Prof Helen Zorbas AO, Prof Tom Calma AO, Dr Mark Wenitong, April Lawrie-Smith and Amanda Mitchell.

This seminar has reached capacity and registrations have now closed.

OPTIONAL
EVENT



DAILY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL

13:30 - 15:00
Auditorium

PLENARY FOUR Diagnosis & care

Chaired by Ian Olver, University of South Australia (Australia)

1. **Diagnosis & Patterns of Care**
Judith Salmon Kaur, Mayo Clinic (USA)
2. **Uneven playing fields: how pathways of care and comorbidity result in inequities in cancer outcomes**
Diana Sarfati, University of Otago (New Zealand)
3. **Health disparities in rural and remote areas**
Nadine Caron, UBC Faculty of Medicine's School of Population and Public Health (Canada)

15:00 - 15:30

AFTERNOON TEA

15:30 - 17:00
Auditorium

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 4.1 Treatment 1

Chaired by Siddhartha Baxi, South West Radiation Oncology Service (Australia)

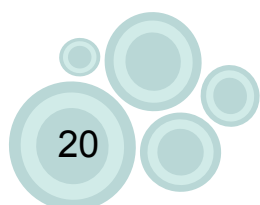
1. **Racial and Regional Referral Patterns to a CoC Accredited Facility for Cancer Management**
Janis Campbell, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
2. **A Healing Culture: Aboriginal Cancer Warriors Respond to Cancer**
Linda Day, Aboriginal Mother Centre Society (Canada)
3. **Characteristics and care pathways of Indigenous Australians at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre: A retrospective audit**
Allison Drosdowsky, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre (Australia)
4. **Cancer Inequalities for Māori: the journey and clinical decision-making**
Louise Signal, University of Otago, Wellington (New Zealand)
5. **Indigenous inequities in the stomach cancer treatment pathway in New Zealand**
Virginia Signal, University of Otago, Wellington (New Zealand)
6. **Who goes where?: Treating Indigenous patients in cancer services in Australia**
Sandra Thompson, WA Centre for Rural Health, University of Western Australia (Australia)

15:30 - 17:00
Room B1

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 4.2 Leadership & partnership 2

Chaired by Malcolm King, Simon Fraser University (Canada)

1. **The knowledge is in the room: Government-community partnerships for cancer prevention and support in the Northwest Territories**
Andre Corriveau, Department of Health & Social Services, Government of the Northwest Territories (Canada)
2. **The NETwork! Roadmap for Genomic Research and Māori Engagement in New Zealand**
Kimiora Henare, Auckland Cancer Society Research Centre (New Zealand)
3. **Rethinking cancer, raising hope: Understanding Aboriginal cancer care in Victoria.**
Alison Hocking, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre (Australia)
4. **First Nations and Alberta Health Services Cancer Care Initiative and Partnership**
Angeline Letendre, Alberta Health Services (Canada)
5. **Cancer Society Wellington - Policy, Governance and Action**
Christine Pihema, Cancer Society Wellington Division (New Zealand)
6. **Bridging the divide: Cross-cultural collaboration in the development and delivery of cancer services with and for Aboriginal people**
Rick Shipp, SNSWLMD (Australia)



DAILY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL



15:30 - 17:00
Room B2

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 4.3 Education & training

Chaired by Vikki Knott, Australian Institute of Psychology (Australia)

1. **Ten years, 177 Health Workers and 72 Communities - Kicking goals for cancer education**
Amber Copland, Cancer Council Queensland (Australia)
2. **Development and evaluation of a cancer education course for Aboriginal Health Professionals**
Louise De Busch, Cancer Council Western Australia (Australia)
3. **More than knowing about cancer - cancer control education for Aboriginal Health Workers**
Anne-Marie Dewar, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)
4. **To accredit or not accredit cancer education training? Lessons learnt from Aboriginal cancer education initiatives in South Australia**
Carmel McNamara, Cancer Council South Australia (Australia)
5. **Building blocks and stepping stones: reflections from the Yarning about cancer project in South Australia**
Carmel McNamara, Cancer Council South Australia (Australia)
6. **The Development of a National Indigenous Cancer Network - lessons learned**
Matthew Plant, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

19:00 - 22:00
Sky Room &
Terrace, BCEC

QUEENSLAND HEALTH GALA DINNER - Ticketed Event

DRINKS & CANAPES ON SKY TERRACE, BRISBANE CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

PERFORMANCE BY STRING MOB

DINNER IN SKY ROOM, BRISBANE CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

PERFORMANCE BY MR ARCHIE ROACH

AWARDS PRESENTATION

OPTIONAL
EVENT



Special Performance by Mr Archie Roach - Queensland Health Gala Dinner

There are few Australian voices in the debate on social justice and Indigenous welfare that resonated as strongly as Archie Roach's. His impact on this country's musical landscape profound. His song 'Took The Children Away' shone a spotlight on the impact of the forcible removal of Indigenous children from their families and brought it to the attention of the global community. The song won two ARIA Awards and an international Human Rights Achievement Award.

Archie has collaborated with the finest musicians in the country, including Paul Kelly, Troy Cassar-Daley, Christine Anu, Vika and Linda Bull, Shane Howard and Dan Sultan. He has toured with some of the world's most iconic artists, including Leonard Cohen, Rodriguez, Bob Dylan, Tracy Chapman, Billy Bragg, Paul Simon, Joan Armatrading, Suzanne Vega and Patti Smith.

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DAILY PROGRAM

THURSDAY 14 APRIL

07:00 - 08:30
Room B1

EARLY MORNING SYMPOSIUM - Ticketed Event | Light breakfast provided
Title: Indigenous tobacco smoking and cancer prevention – global opportunities for knowledge translation using traditional and innovative arts and media based research
Panel: Gillian Gould (Chair), University of Newcastle, Australia.
David Copley – Pangula Mannamurna Aboriginal Medical Service, Australia
Marewa Glover - Research Centre for Maori Health & Development, Massey University, New Zealand
Linda Burhansstipanov - Native American Cancer Research Corporation, USA
Moana Tane – Menzies School of Health Research and Nindilingarri Cultural Health Services

OPTIONAL
EVENT

09:00 - 10:30
Auditorium

PLENARY FIVE Wellness & Survivorship

Facilitated by Jacinta Elston, James Cook University (Australia)

1. The patient and doctor conversation
Archie Roach and Louis Irving (Australia)
2. Wellness, in the context of illness
Alexandra King, Simon Fraser University (Canada)

10:30 - 11:00

MORNING TEA

11:00 - 12:30
Room B1

CONCURRENT SESSION 5 5.1 Epidemiology 2

Chaired by Diana Withrow, Cancer Care Ontario (Canada)

1. Quantifying changes in the survival inequality for Indigenous people diagnosed with cancer in Queensland, Australia
Peter Baade, Cancer Council Queensland (Australia)
2. Addressing variations in outcomes for Indigenous women with breast cancer in Australia
Jennifer Chynoweth, Cancer Australia (Australia)
3. The great divide: Remoteness of residence and cancer survival differentials for Indigenous persons in Queensland
Susanna Cramb, Cancer Council Queensland (Australia)
4. Two ends of the Indigenous cancer control spectrum from Aotearoa/New Zealand
Nina Scott, University of Auckland (New Zealand)
5. Cancer survival and summary stage among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples - The impact of socio-economic disadvantage and remoteness
Hanna Tervonen, University of South Australia (Australia)
6. Disparities in Cancer Survival between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Adults in Canada: Follow-up of the 1991 Canadian Census Cohort
Diana Withrow, Cancer Care Ontario (Canada)



DAILY PROGRAM

THURSDAY 14 APRIL



11:00 - 12:30
Auditorium

CONCURRENT SESSION 5 **5.2 Consumer Voices**

Chaired by Kalinda Griffiths, University of Sydney (Australia)

1. [When is cancer not a death sentence for Indigenous Men?](#)
Mick Adams, Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet (Australia)
2. [Cancer Stories of New Zealand: Key findings from Māori families](#)
Tira Albert, Mana Wahine (New Zealand)
3. ["This strange world that is cancer": Experiences of cancer patients in the Aotearoa/New Zealand health system](#)
Cheryl Davies, Tu Kotahi Maori Asthma Trust (New Zealand)
4. [Understanding the needs of Aboriginal adolescents and young adults impacted by cancer: utilising narratives to improve support services](#)
Fiona McDonald, Canteen (Australia)
5. ["I'm a survivor": Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cancer patients follow up care](#)
Judith Meiklejohn, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute (Australia)
6. [Using narrative data for continuous quality improvement of cancer care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in South Australia](#)
Rachel Reilly, SAHMRI (Australia)

11:00 - 12:30
Room B2

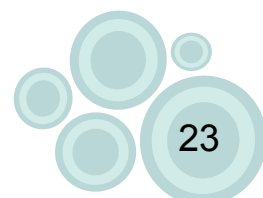
CONCURRENT SESSION 5 **5.3 Screening 2**

Chaired by Ian Hammond, Department of Health (Australia)

1. [A regional Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service clinic combines community trust, capacity building and perseverance to significantly increase cervical screening](#)
Sandy Anderson, Ballarat and District Aboriginal Cooperative (Australia)
2. [Great Walls of Vagina - Aboriginal PapScreen comedy. Applying performing arts to engage the Victorian Aboriginal community about cervical screening](#)
Justine Holmes, Cancer Council Victoria (Australia)
3. [Factors Influencing the Utilization of Cancer Screening Services in Indigenous Peoples in the Canadian Arctic: Results of the ACCESS project](#)
Fariba Kolahdooz, Aboriginal and Global Health Research Group, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta (Canada)
4. [Colorectal cancer screening: how will it impact on Māori?](#)
Melissa McLeod, University of Otago, Wellington (New Zealand)
5. [Applying an integrated strategy to increase breast screening for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in Victoria](#)
Anne O'Callaghan, BreastScreen Victoria (Australia)
6. [Survey results point to interventions to increase mammographic screening in non-adherent American Indian women of one tribe](#)
Wesley Petersen, Mayo Clinic (USA)

12:30 - 13:30

LUNCH





DAILY PROGRAM

THURSDAY 14 APRIL

13:30 - 15:00
Room B1

CONCURRENT SESSION 6

6.1 Risk factors

Chaired by David Copley, Pangula Mannamuma (Australia) and Suzanne Moore, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

1. [How are Australian General Practitioners Assisting Indigenous Pregnant Women to Quit?](#)
Yael Bar Zeev, University of Newcastle (Australia)
2. ["Our Smoking and Smoke-Free Stories" by Aboriginal women](#)
Michelle Bovill, University of Newcastle (Australia)
3. [Dispensation of drug regimens to treat Helicobacter pylori infection in First Nations and Inuit peoples in Alberta, Canada](#)
Amy Colquhoun, University of Alberta (Canada)
4. [Smoking in pregnancy among Indigenous women in high income countries](#)
Gillian Gould, University of Newcastle (Australia)
5. [A new approach to HPV immunisation for Victorian Aboriginal adolescents](#)
Heather O'Donnell, Cancer Council Victoria (Australia)
6. [A Killer Legacy: programs to prevent smoking related cancers amongst the Yolngu peoples must acknowledge and respect culture and tradition](#)
Moana Tane, Nindilingarri Cultural Health Services (Australia)

13:30 - 15:00
Auditorium

CONCURRENT SESSION 6

6.2 Strategies and frameworks

Chaired by Mick Adams, Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet (Australia) and Isabella Wallington, Cancer Australia (Australia)

1. [Improving the Cancer System for First Nation, Inuit, and Métis Populations in Ontario – A Model for Engagement and Building Productive Relationships](#)
Diana Withrow, Cancer Care Ontario (Canada)
2. [Charting Our Course: Northwest Territories Cancer Strategy 2015-2025](#)
Crystal Milligan, Department of Health and Social Services, Government of the Northwest Territories (Australia)
3. [Working together to achieve health equity - a Midland experience](#)
Jan Smith, Midland Cancer Network, HealthShare Limited (Australia)
4. [Translating Aboriginal knowledge into cancer control policy through research: The Cancer Data and Aboriginal Disparities \(CanDAD\) Project](#)
Janet Stajic, South Australia Health, South Australia Cancer Service (Australia)
5. [The development of a National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework](#)
Isabella Wallington, Cancer Australia (Australia)



DAILY PROGRAM

THURSDAY 14 APRIL



13:30 - 15:00
Room B2

CONCURRENT SESSIONS 6 6.3 Treatment 2

Chaired by Diana Sarfati, University of Otago (New Zealand)

1. **Translating evidence into practice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer.**
Carrie Lethborg, St Vincent's Hospital (Australia)
2. **The Lived Experience of Anishinaabe People with Cancer: A Focus on Indigenous Healing, Western Medicine and Minobimaadiziwin**
Cindy Peltier, Laurentian University, Centre for Rural and Northern Health Research (Canada)
3. **A retrospective study of causation factors for the gap between Indigenous and Non Indigenous radiotherapy patients in the Northern Territory**
Mary Pennefather, Northern Territory Radiation Oncology (Australia)
4. **Providing Supportive Care to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Patients by Key Patient Advocates in a Metropolitan Outpatient Setting**
Kelly Skelton, Royal Adelaide Hospital (Australia)
5. **"Doctor, you're the expert": Factors influencing treatment decision-making in cancer consultations with Māori patients/whānau**
Jeannine Stairmand, University of Otago (Canada)
6. **Cancer services around Australia for Indigenous Australians: Innovations for better care**
Sandra Thompson, WA Centre for Rural Health, University of Western Australia (Australia)

15:00 - 15:30

AFTERNOON TEA

15:30 - 17:00
Auditorium

PLENARY SIX + FAREWELL Priorities moving forward

Facilitated by Gail Garvey, Menzies School of Health Research (Australia)

1. **Priorities Moving Forward: Australian Perspective**
Helen Zorbas, Cancer Australia (Australia)
2. **Indigenous people driving the agenda forward**
Romlie Mokak, Lowitja Institute (Australia)
3. **Global perspectives on cancer policy and moving forward**
Richard Sullivan, Kings College London (UK)

PERFORMANCE - William Barton & Delmae Barton

17:00

CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

Special Performance by William Barton & Delmae Barton

William Barton is one of Australia's leading didgeridoo players and composers.

Born in Mount Isa, he was taught the instrument by his uncle, an elder of the Waanyi, Lardil and Kalkadunga tribes of western Queensland.

William played his first classical concert with the Queensland Symphony Orchestra at the age of 17. Since then he has collaborated with many internationally renowned composers including Australia's Peter Sculthorpe, Ross Edwards, Liza Lim, Sean O'Boyle and Philip Bračanin, and George Warren from the USA.

Widely recognised as Australia's Dreamtime Opera Diva, Auntie Delmae Barton was born in Emerald central Queensland, Bidjara tribal descendant on her mother's side she has shared a long life journey with the world.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Dr Freddie Bray

Head, Section of Cancer Surveillance, International Agency for Research on Cancer, France

Dr Bray is Head of the Cancer Surveillance Section at the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), in Lyon, France. He has worked previously at IARC 1998-2005 and at the Cancer Registry of Norway and University of Oslo 2005-2010. He has a PhD in Epidemiology from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and degrees in Statistics from the University of Aberdeen and Medical Statistics from the University of Leicester, U.K. His areas of research revolve around the descriptive epidemiology of cancer, including the estimation of the global cancer burden and the analysis of time trends including global predictions of the future scale and profile of cancer linked to human development transitions. He has close to 200 book chapters and articles in journals including The Lancet, Lancet Oncology, JNCI and Nature Reviews Cancer. In support of the overwhelming need for high quality cancer surveillance systems given their current paucity and an ever-increasing cancer problem, Dr Bray leads the Global Initiative for Cancer Registration (<http://gicr.iarc.fr>), an international multi-partner program designed to ensure a sustainable expansion of the coverage and quality of population-based cancer registries in LMIC through tailored, localized support and advocacy to individual countries.



Dr Julia Brotherton

Public health physician; Medical Director of National HPV Vaccination Program Register, Australia

Dr. Brotherton is a public health physician and Medical Director of Australia's National HPV Vaccination Program Register. She is a medical graduate from the University of Newcastle, NSW, has a Masters degree in Public Health and a Doctorate of Philosophy from the University of Sydney and holds a Fellowship in Public Health Medicine.

For the past ten years Dr. Brotherton has been involved in research and policy development informing the implementation and evaluation of HPV vaccination programs in Australia. She has been a lead investigator in Australian research which has demonstrated the world's first evidence of dramatic declines in both HPV infections and pre-cancerous cervical lesions in young women post-vaccination. She has over 100 publications to date.



Dr Linda Burhansstipanov

Director, Native American Cancer Research, United States of America

Linda Burhansstipanov, MSPH, DrPH, (Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma) has worked in public health since 1971, primarily with Native American issues. She taught full-time at universities for 18 years (CSULB and UCLA). She developed and implemented the Native American Cancer Research Program at the National Cancer Institute from 1989-1993. She is the founder and National Grants Director of Native American Cancer Research Corporation. She currently is the principal investigator and subcontractor for >5 NIH grants. She serves on multiple federal advisory boards. She has over 125 peer-reviewed publications, of which most address Native American cancer, public health and data issues.

Fun Fact: LB is in the beginning phases of re-training a 5 year old Tennessee Walker Horse who keeps dislocating his neck vertebrae by toss 300+ pound tree stumps (for his new round training pen)



Professor Tom Calma AO

National Coordinator Tackling Indigenous Smoking, Australia

Professor Calma is an Australian Aboriginal elder from the Kungarakan tribal group and a member of the Iwaidja tribal group whose traditional lands are south west of Darwin and on the Coburg Peninsula in the Northern Territory of Australia, respectively. Prof Calma is a human rights and social justice campaigner, Chancellor of the University of Canberra, and National Coordinator for Tackling Indigenous Smoking. Previously, he has served at the Australian Human Rights Commission as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner from 2004 to 2010 and as Race Discrimination Commissioner from 2004 until 2009, and was named as the 2013 ACT Australian of the Year for his service and commitment to the Indigenous community as an advocate for human rights and social justice. For over forty years Prof Calma has championed for the rights, responsibilities and welfare of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. He has been involved in Indigenous affairs at a local, community, state, national and international level and worked in the public sector focusing on rural and remote Australia, health, education, justice reinvestment, reconciliation and economic development. Prof Calma was one of the key advocates for the Close the Gap campaign.

**Associate Professor Nadine Caron*****Co-Director, Centre for Excellence in Indigenous Health; Associate Professor, UBC Faculty of Medicine's School of Population and Public Health, Canada***

Finishing at the top of her class, in 1997 Dr. Nadine Caron became the first Indigenous woman to graduate from the UBC Faculty of Medicine, and was named one of Macleans' "100 Canadians to Watch." After completing her surgical residency at the University of California San Francisco and her Masters of Public Health at Harvard, she recognized that her heart – and research interests – lay in Canada. She returned to British Columbia, where she now holds the positions of General and Endocrine surgeon at the University Hospital of Northern British Columbia, Associate Professor in UBC's Northern Medical Program, associate faculty member at John Hopkins Centre for American Indian Health and CoDirector of the Centre for Excellence in Indigenous Health at UBC. Nadine is passionate about health policy and has served on many committees to help shape Canada's health agenda. She is internationally renowned for her advocacy work to address the special health needs and disparities of rural, remote, northern and Aboriginal communities.

**Associate Professor Gail Garvey*****A Kamilaroi woman and Principal Research Fellow, Menzies School of Health Research***

Gail plays a leadership role in Indigenous cancer research nationally and has been instrumental in bringing together key cancer researchers, clinicians, cancer services, government departments, community organisations and Indigenous consumers to identify and address research priorities. She has a strong track record of research translation into policy and practice and advocates involving the relevant stakeholders throughout the research process to achieve maximum impact. She has an impressive record that spans many years in building capacity among Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, researchers, and health professionals.

She currently leads DISCOVER-TT, a NHMRC funded Centre of Research Excellence and a Cancer Council NSW Strategic Research Partnership Grant, both with the aim of conducting research to improve cancer outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

A/Prof Garvey led the establishment of the National Indigenous Cancer Network (NICaN) in partnership with Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet, Cancer Council Australia and The Lowitja Institute. NICaN aims to encourage and support collaboration around research and services for Indigenous people with cancer, their carers and families.

**Associate Professor Lou Irving*****Director, Respiratory and Sleep Medicine, Royal Melbourne Hospital; Physician, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre***

A/Professor Lou Irving is Director of Respiratory and Sleep Medicine at Royal Melbourne Hospital and a visiting Physician to Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. He was a research fellow at McMaster University and has a particular interest in lung cancer and COPD. He has worked in a variety of clinical settings including Malaysia, PNG and UN hospitals in Rwanda and East Timor. He is currently a member of a group of doctors and scientists highlighting the adverse health effects of atmospheric pollution.

**Dr Alexandra King*****MD, FRCPC, Canada***

Dr. Alexandra King, MD, FRCPC, is a member of the Nipissing First Nation (Ontario). Her clinical work mainly focuses on HIV/AIDS and hepatitis C, which disproportionately affect First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples. Her research interests include HIV/AIDS and hepatitis C; also Indigenous wellness and identity. She serves on many local and national initiatives, including CIHR HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research Steering Committee, Canadian National Aboriginal Working Group on HIV & AIDS, the Interagency Coalition on AIDS and Development, and CanHepC. She is also the co-lead for the CIHR Canadian HIV Trials Network Working Group for Health for People Who Use Drugs.



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Dr Angeline Letendre

***Lead Scientist, Community Research Stream at Alberta Cancer Prevention Legacy Fund,
Alberta Health Services, Canada***

Dr. Letendre is a current board member, and research chair for the Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada (ANAC). Dr. Letendre is the first person of Aboriginal descent to graduate from the University of Alberta with a doctoral degree in Nursing. Building on more than two decades of frontline nursing experience, the focus of Dr. Letendre's career has been to contribute to the improved wellness of First Nations, Inuit and Metis people. This has included work in cultural competency skills development in indigenous nursing, community-based research and partnered activities at local, provincial and national levels, as well as cancer care strategy and program planning.

Currently Dr. Letendre is a primary co-Lead for two 3-year projects funded through the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer in partnership with First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples of Alberta and Alberta Health Services. Recently, Dr. Letendre has joined forces with researchers from Australia, New Zealand and the United States to investigate the cancer research interests for Indigenous peoples from these countries. Outcomes of this work promise to include the development of international researcher-level partnerships for the exploration, strategy development and recommendations in cancer-related research with Indigenous populations in the associated countries.



Mr Romlie Mokak

CEO, The Lowitja Institute, Australia

Mr Mokak has been the Chief Executive Officer of the Lowitja Institute, Australia's national institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research, since July 2014. Prior to this appointment, Mr Mokak was the CEO of the Australian Indigenous Doctors Association (AIDA) in Canberra, building that organisation into a substantial and critical contributor to improving the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

A Djugun man from Western Australia, Mr Mokak was born in Darwin and has extensive experience in medical education and workforce development. He has also worked at community, state and national levels in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander policy areas, including disability, ageing, population health, financing and substance use. He holds a Bachelor of Social Science degree and a Postgraduate Diploma in Special Education. He has also completed the Australian and New Zealand Health Leadership Program.



Ms Leanne Pilkington

Aboriginal Program Officer, BreastScreen WA

Leanne Pilkington is a Nyoongar woman from Western Australia. She and her husband share six children and seventeen grandchildren - so far. Family is most important to her. Leanne has worked with BreastScreen WA for 9 years and has contributed to cross-cultural awareness training programs with BreastScreen WA, RPH and the WA Cancer Council and presented at various state, national and international conferences. She has a Bachelor of Social Science (Indigenous Service) and is currently studying her Masters of Philosophy, International Health. She was awarded the WA NAIDOC Scholar of the Year in 2003. But her most important award is written on her coffee cup - "World's Best Mum".

Leanne is passionate about Aboriginal and Women's health issues and has worked in Health, Aged Care and Education before ending up at BreastScreen WA. It was karma, as several members of her extended family have battled breast cancer and some still are. She sees this as her chance for 'payback' against the disease. By raising awareness of breast cancer and breast screening to Indigenous women and encouraging women to participate, she feels that she is getting her own back at this disease.



Mr Archie Roach

Singer/Songwriter and Cancer Survivor

Archie Roach will be presenting his cancer survival story during Plenary 5 on Thursday 14th April at 9am. Please see page 27 for further detail on Archie Roach.

**Dr Judith Salmon Kaur**

Medical Director for the Native American Programs of the Mayo Clinic Comprehensive Cancer Center, Professor of Oncology at Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, Director of the Mayo Clinic Hospice Program and Palliative Care Task Force, USA

Dr Kaur is the medical director for the Native American Programs of the Mayo Clinic Comprehensive Cancer Center and in this role develops and oversees programs geared towards cancer education and prevention, including; Native C.I.R.C.L.E., which provides and develops culturally appropriate cancer education materials for lay persons, allied health and clinicians working in Native communities, and; "Spirit of Eagles", a Community Networks Program with outreach nationally to American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Dr. Kaur's research also includes a special interest in women's cancers, particularly breast and cervical cancer. Dr. Kaur is a Professor of Oncology at Mayo Clinic College of Medicine. She is also the Director of the Mayo Clinic Hospice Program and Palliative Care Task Force. Dr. Kaur is Choctaw/Cherokee and one of only 2 American Indian medical oncologists in the country.

In 2007, Dr. Kaur was awarded "Physician of the Year" by the Association of American Indian Physicians. In the following year, 2008, she was appointed to the National Cancer Advisory Board by President George W. Bush (4 year appointment) and was also became a Fellow of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Care. Dr. Kaur is one of the Medical Directors for Mayo Clinic's Hospice program and the Research Director for the Palliative Care Program and Course Director for an "Intensive Case-based Training in Palliative Care" for the Indian Health Service.

**Professor Diana Sarfati**

Public health physician; co-Head of Department of the Department of Public Health and the Director of the Cancer Control and Screening Research Group at University of Otago, New Zealand

Professor Diana Sarfati is a public health physician and cancer epidemiologist with a particular interest in addressing inequities in cancer outcomes between ethnic groups in New Zealand. She is the co-Head of Department of the Department of Public Health and the Director of the Cancer Control and Screening Research Group at University of Otago, Wellington.

Professor Sarfati has led several studies investigating patient and health system factors that influence cancer survival. She is involved in a number of national and international cancer-related collaborations, particularly in relation to social and ethnic inequities in cancer outcomes, and the interactions between comorbidity and cancer.

Assoc/Prof. Sarfati is currently a member of the National Screening Advisory Committee, the National Bowel Cancer Working Group, the Health Promotion Committee of the Cancer Society (National), and the Medical and Scientific Committee of the Cancer Society (Wellington). She was previously a member of the National Ethics Advisory Committee and the Bowel Cancer Taskforce, both as a Ministerial appointee, and a member of the New Zealand Cancer Registry Clinical Advisory Group.

**Prof Richard Sullivan**

***Professor of Cancer & Global Health at Kings College London
Director at the Institute of Cancer Policy, Co-Director of King's Conflict & Health Research Group, England***

Richard Sullivan is Professor of Cancer & Global Health at Kings College London (KCL), Director, Institute of Cancer Policy and Co-Director of King's Conflict & Health Research Group. Richard serves on the executive boards of King's Health Partners Comprehensive Cancer Centre, the Centre for Global Health at King's and the Union for International Cancer Control. He also holds Visiting Chairs at the Universidad Catolica, Santiago and Tata Memorial Centre, and is an elected Fellow of the European Academy of Cancer Sciences. Richard is past UK Director of the Council for Emerging National Security Affairs (CENSA) a national security think-tank where he specialised in counter-proliferation and the security implications of global health. Richard qualified in medicine, and trained in surgery (urology) gaining his PhD in cell signalling from University College London. He was clinical director of Cancer Research UK between 1999 and 2008. Following a period at the London School of Economics working on complex healthcare systems he moved to King's College London in 2011. Richard's research programmes focus on global cancer policy and conflict & health. In cancer public policy he has worked on a range of global policy research programmes, most recently Lancet Commission on Global Surgery 2030, Lancet Series on Women's Equity, Health and Cancer and the Lancet Oncology Commission on Global Cancer Surgery. The King's Conflict & Research Group is also carrying out a Lancet Commission into Civil-Military co-operation in Global Health, in addition to a wide variety of field studies including: basic package of health services in Afghanistan, armed violence reduction as public health measure, intelligence, security and global health, and health intelligence in the Syrian conflict. Richard has worked extensively in many conflict regions from the Balkans through to Afghanistan, Libya, Syria and DR Congo in both healthcare systems reconstruction and cancer control.



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Dr John Waldon

Research advisor and consultant with 2Tama Limited; Conjoint Lecturer, Muru Marri Indigenous Health Unit, School of Public Health and Community Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of NSW

Dr John Waldon, whose grandfather served in the Australian Army, is of European, Chinese and Maori descent, is a life member of the Cancer Society of New Zealand (Manawatu Centre), a member of the Public Health Association of New Zealand and the Paediatrics Society of New Zealand.

Currently a conjoint lecturer at UNSW, it was while he was a Laboratory Manager for the Hepatitis Research Unit at Whakatane Hospital (1988-1994) that Dr. Waldon began his health research career and his interest in cancer and the well-being of Indigenous children. His health research career includes three international appointments that began with a Short Term Consultancy in the EPI section of the Western Pacific Regional Office (WPRO) of the World Health Organization (WHO) to investigate the use of the Hepatitis B vaccine in 2003, and two fellowships. Dr. Waldon contributes to the International Group for Indigenous Health Measurement (IGIHM) and has also co-authored many research reports informing the development of Maori health care and policy while at Massey University (1994-2011). Dr Waldon's experience in these roles combined with his research experience enables him to provide a Maori perspective based on a careful analysis of a wide variety of information sources as a research consultant.



Ms Lisa Whop

Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Menzies School of Health Research, Australia

Lisa Whop is a descendent of the Goemulgal people of Mabuiag Island in the Torres Strait Islands and also has family connections to the darling downs region in South West Queensland.

Lisa's research to date has focused on improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer. Her PhD project is focused on the Queensland part of the National Indigenous Cervical Screening Project – the first population-based study in Australia to investigate Indigenous women's participation in cervical screening, prevalence of cervical abnormalities and time to clinical follow-up following the detection of a high-grade lesion. Her research interests include women's health, Indigenous health and health systems research.

She graduated from a Bachelor of Medical Science from the Queensland University of Technology in 2008 and a Masters of Applied Epidemiology from the Australian National University in 2011. Currently, Lisa is enrolled at the Charles Darwin University and is in the final stages of completing her PhD. She is supported by a Sidney Myer Health Scholarship, a scholarship from the Lowitja Institute and a top-up from Menzies Enhanced Living Scholarship.



Dr Chris Wild

Director, International Agency for Research on Cancer, France

The main research interest of Christopher P. Wild is to understand the interplay between environmental and genetic risk factors in the causation of human cancer. He particularly seeks to apply biomarkers in population-based studies to this end. His specific areas of research have been focused on liver and oesophageal cancers.

He was Professor of Molecular Epidemiology at the University of Leeds from 1996 and Director of the Leeds Institute of Genetics, Health and Therapeutics before being appointed as Director of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (WHO/IARC, Lyon, France) in 2009.



Professor David R Williams

Florence Sprague Norman & Laura Smart Norman Professor of Public Health; Professor of African and African American Studies and of Sociology; Co-Leader, Cancer Risk Reduction and Disparities Program, Dana Farber/Harvard Cancer Center; Harvard University, USA

Professor Williams is the Florence and Laura Norman Professor of Public Health at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Professor of African and African American Studies and of Sociology at Harvard University. Previously, he served 6 years on the faculty of Yale University and 14 at the University of Michigan. He holds an MPH from Loma Linda University and a PhD in Sociology from the University of Michigan.

Prof. Williams is an internationally recognized authority on social influences on health. His research has enhanced our understanding of the complex ways in which socioeconomic status, race, stress, racial discrimination and religious involvement can affect physical and mental health. The Everyday Discrimination scale that he developed is currently one of the most widely used measures to assess perceived discrimination in health studies. In recent years, Prof. Williams has been very interested in social inequalities in cancer. He directed the Lung Cancer Disparities Center at Harvard and serves on the Steering Committee for the California Breast Cancer Research Program's Special Research Initiative on disparities in breast cancer and the environment and breast cancer. He is the author of more than 365 scholarly papers and he was ranked as one of the Top 10 Most Cited Researchers in the Social Sciences in the world in 2005 and as the Most Cited Black Scholar in the Social Sciences in 2008. In 2014, Thomson Reuters ranked him as one of the World's Most Influential Scientific Minds.

He has received numerous honors and awards. He is an elected member of the Institute of Medicine and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has also received an inaugural Decade of Behavior Research Award, the Leo G. Reeder Award from the American Sociological Association, and the Stephen Smith Award for Distinguished Contributions in Public Health from the New York Academy of Medicine.



Professor Patsy Yates

Head of School, School of Nursing, Faculty of Health, Queensland University of Technology; Director, Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education (CPCRE), Queensland Health

Professor Patsy Yates is jointly appointed as Head, School of Nursing at Queensland University of Technology and Director for Queensland Health's statewide Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education (CPCRE). She has over 30 years' experience in research, education and clinical practice in cancer and palliative care. She leads a range of research and service improvement programs focused on developing workforce capacity in cancer and palliative care, advancing the management of cancer related symptoms and treatment side effects, and strengthening the nexus between research, policy and practice in cancer care. She is currently President for Palliative Care Australia.

She was a member of the Executive Committee for the International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care from 2004-2012. Professor Yates has also been a member of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Queensland since 2008. She is regularly invited to provide expert advice to professional groups and government bodies, and has held ministerial appointments on a number of Boards and Committees for Federal and State Governments. Professor Yates has received awards in recognition of her research, teaching and service, including being awarded the Tom Reeve Oration Award for Outstanding Contribution to Cancer Care and Life Membership from the Cancer Nurses Society of Australia as well as the Clinical Oncological Society of Australia. In 2010, she was awarded a Citation from the Australian Learning and Teaching Council for Outstanding Contribution to Student Learning. Professor Yates is a fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and has recently been inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame.



Professor Helen Zorbas AO

CEO, Cancer Australia; Conjoint Professor, School of Medicine, University of Western Sydney

Professor Zorbas is CEO of Cancer Australia, the Australian government's national agency in cancer control. She has been responsible for directing a number of national cancer control initiatives to improve evidence-based practice, policy and health service delivery, in both the clinical and psycho-social aspects of cancer care. Professor Zorbas has chaired and held positions on a number of key national government cancer and health committees. She is Conjoint Professor in the School of Medicine, University of Western Sydney. Her clinical experience is as a general practitioner and specialist breast physician, in both public and private sectors.

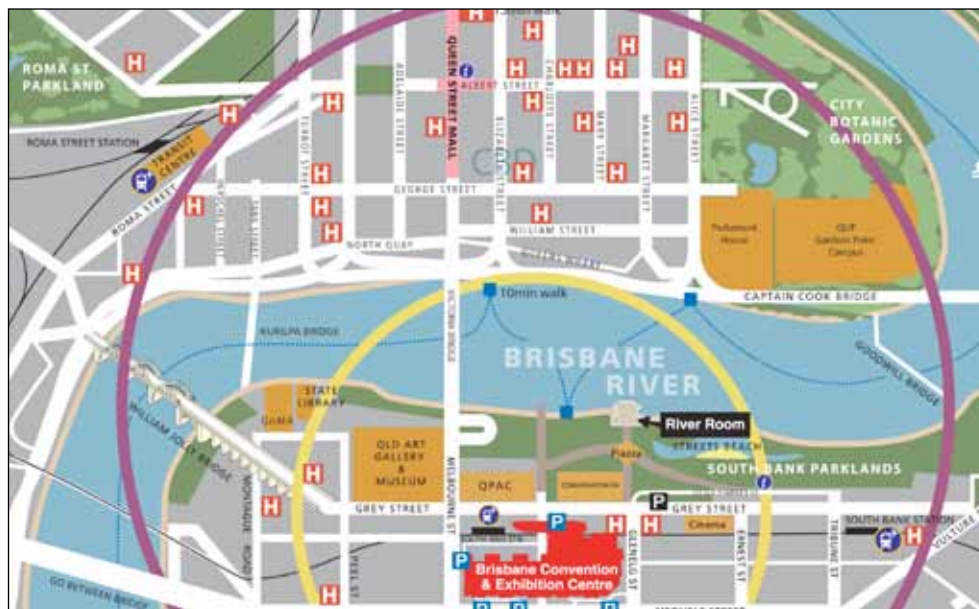
In 2013, Professor Zorbas was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in recognition of her distinguished service to public health through leadership in the delivery of improved information and services to cancer patients and their families and contributions to research and clinical trials.



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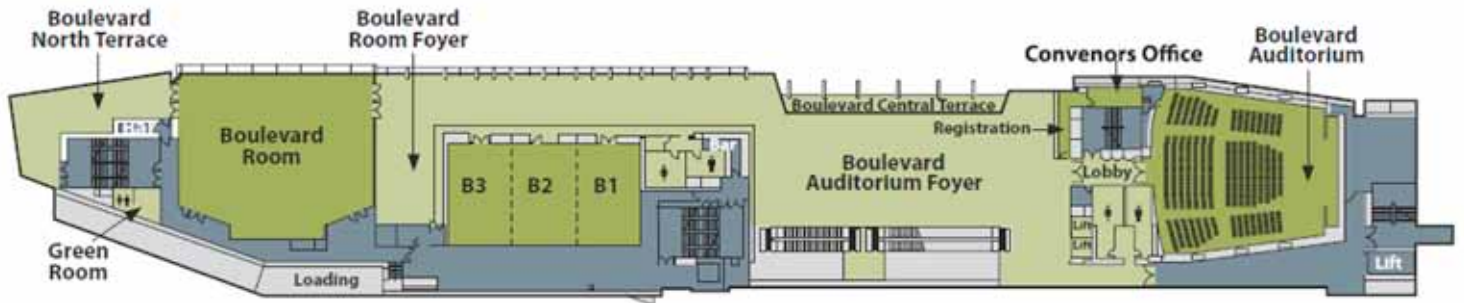
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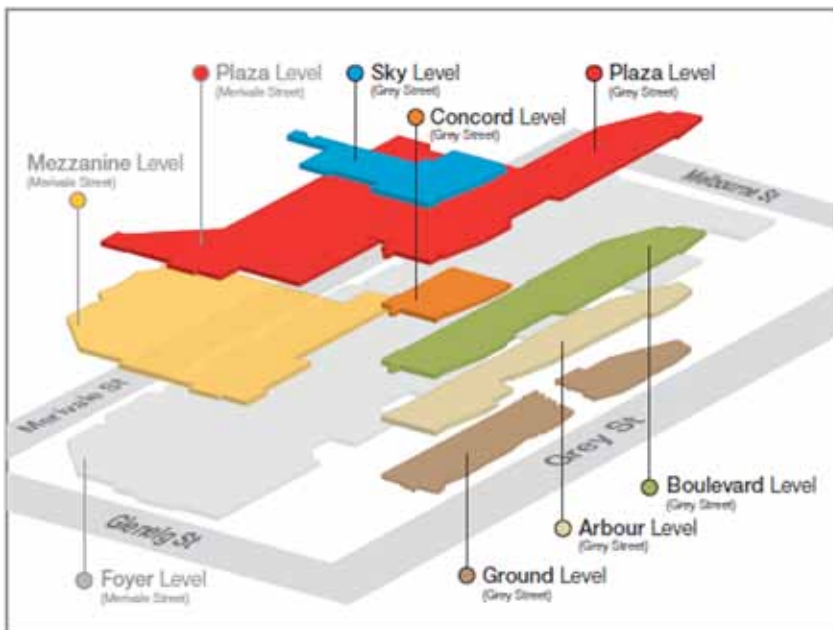
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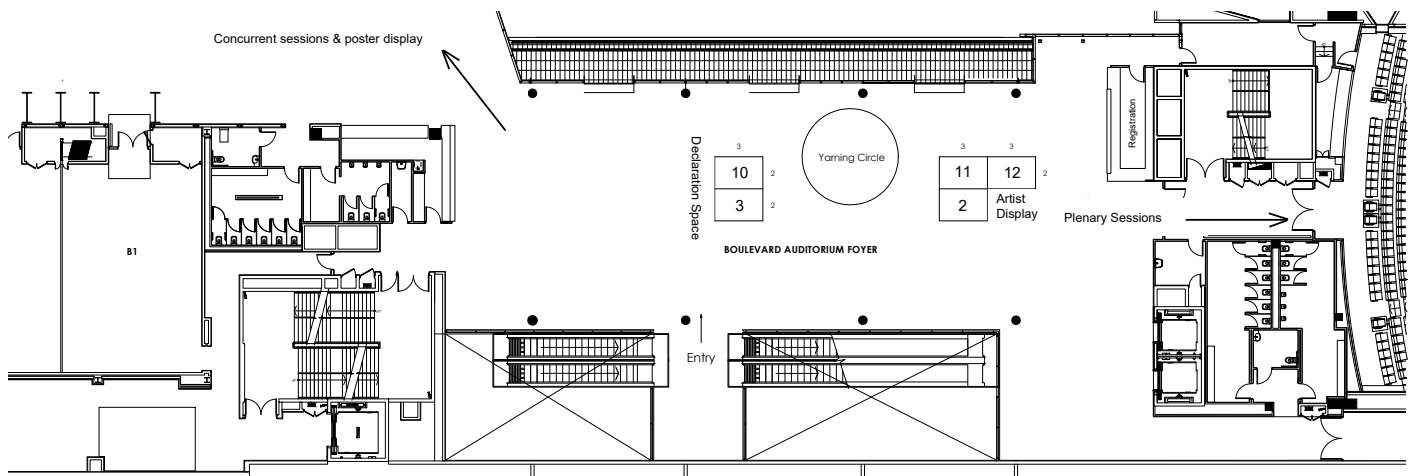
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Cancer Australia's CEO
Professor Helen Zorbas AO
Plenary 6: Priorities moving forward
April 14 2016
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Cancer Australia hosted Lunchtime seminar
Putting the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework into practice
13 April 2016
12:30pm – 1:30pm

Presentations

Supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with lung cancer and their communities

2.3 Resource and Program Development 1
12 April 2016
4:00pm – 5:30pm

Addressing variations in outcomes for Indigenous women with breast cancer in Australia

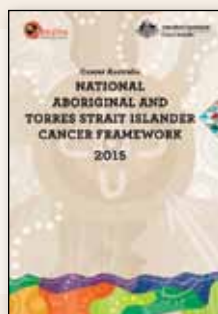
5.1 Epidemiology 2
14 April 2016
11:00am – 12:30pm

The development of a National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework

6.2 Strategies and frameworks
14 April 2016
1:30pm – 3:00pm

WHAT WE DO

Shape national cancer control in Australia



The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework identifies nationally agreed, evidence-based priority areas to address the disparities in cancer outcomes for Indigenous Australians.

Improve cancer outcomes

Developed a multi-faceted model for improving Indigenous cancer outcomes

Meaningful engagement

Listening to the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with a lived experience of cancer, their families and communities, and those with expertise and experience working in Indigenous cancer control.



Raising awareness



Building Health Worker capacity



Developing consumer information



Dedicated webpage for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with cancer, their communities and the health professionals who care for them.



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We have a customised web portal, developed in consultation with the Aboriginal community, which provides culturally appropriate information and resources for Aboriginal people, their carers and health professionals. It targets gaps in cancer care and aims to improve cancer awareness and access to treatment and support.

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