



# NATIONAL STROKE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOP

## SESSION 1: IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF SUB-ACUTE AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

Wednesday 29 July 2026

9:30 am – 4.30 pm (AEST)

The Kenneth Myer Building, 30 Royal Parade, Parkville, VIC

Ian Potter Auditorium

Co-chairs: Erin Godecke and Emily Ramage

Time	Topic	Speaker
9.30 am	Welcome and Introduction	Co-chairs
9.35 am	Improving the quality of subacute and chronic rehabilitation services	<b>Toni Arfaras</b> Stroke Foundation
9.55 am	Update on the Australian Stroke Clinical Registry (AuSCR) and the new rehabilitation indicators from the Stroke Clinical Care Standard	<b>Rohan Grimley</b> Chair of AuSCR Clinical and Quality Improvement Committee
10.10 am	Australian Stroke Coalition – Rehabilitation Implementation Taskforce: Scope of work and future plans	<b>Natasha Lannin</b> Alfred Health & Monash University
<b>10.25 am</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
<b>10.35 am</b>	<b>Morning Tea Break</b>	
10.55 am	Living well after stroke	<b>Beth Crane</b> Stroke Foundation
11.10 am	Rehabilitation from acute to community: A plan to coordinate longitudinal data collection throughout recovery	<b>Jessica Nolan</b> Curtin University
11.25 am	Routinely collected data for Aphasia Care: How clinical care informs research development	<b>Sarah Wallace</b> The University of Queensland
11.55 am	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION &amp; AUDIENCE Q&amp;A</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Toni Arfaras</b>, Stroke Foundation</li><li>- <b>Natasha Lannin</b>, Alfred Health &amp; Monash University</li><li>- <b>Beth Crane</b>, Stroke Foundation</li><li>- <b>Jessica Nolan</b>, Curtin University</li><li>- <b>Sarah Wallace</b>, The University of Queensland</li></ul>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>Close of session/Lunch break</b>	<b>Co-chairs</b>

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1:30 pm	Introduction to session	Co-chairs
1.35 pm	How to provide information after stroke using a Health Literacy lens	<b>Dana Wong</b> eNACT (Neurorehabilitation and Clinical Translation) Research Group
1.50 pm	Supporting health professionals to improve information provision and communication about sex and intimacy after stroke	<b>Saran Chamberlain</b> Lived experience representative
2.05 pm	Examples of challenging cases from a neuropsychology perspective and strategies in working with patients with limited self-awareness or insight	<b>Rene Stolwyk</b> Stroke and Telehealth Research & Monash-Epworth Rehabilitation Research Centre
<b>2.20 pm</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
2.30 pm	Outcomes and implications of the AVERT DOSE trial results	<b>Fiona Ellery</b> The Florey
2.45 pm	Adherence Counselling Tool kit	<b>Tamina Levy</b> Division Rehabilitation, Aged Care and Palliative Care Southern Adelaide Local Health Network
3.00 pm	Young Stroke Service – what have we learned?	<b>Young Stroke Service Team</b>
<b>3.15 pm</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
<b>3.25 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea Break</b>	
<b>3.45 pm</b>	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION &amp; AUDIENCE Q&amp;A</b>	<b>TBC</b>
<b>4.30 pm</b>	<b>Close of session</b>	Co-chairs

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## SESSION 2: National Priorities and Progress in Advancing Stroke Care

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Co-chairs: **Dominique Cadilhac & Lisa Murphy**

Time	Topic	Speaker
9.30 am	Welcome and Introduction	Co-chairs
9.35 am	Time Is Brain: how FAST treatment gave me a second chance	<b>Shannon Nelson</b> Lived Experience representative
9.55 am	Australian Commission on Quality and Safety in Healthcare (update)	<b>Fiona Doukas</b> Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care
10.10 am	National Stroke Data infrastructure and registry update	<b>Rohan Grimley</b> Chair of AuSCR Clinical and Quality Improvement Committee
10.25 am	National Targets update 30/60/90 & Stroke Unit certification	<b>Skye Coote</b> Stroke Foundation
<b>10.40 am</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
<b>10.50 am</b>	<b>Morning Tea Break</b>	
11.05 am	Australian Stroke Coalition Rehabilitation task force and implications of the updated stroke clinical care standards for rehabilitation settings	<b>Natasha Lannin</b> Alfred Health & Monash University
11:20 am	Darak & Aboriginal leadership in stroke	<b>Aneta Kotevski</b> Darak – Australian Stroke Alliance
11:35 am	Australian Stroke Alliance & pre-hospital stroke care optimisation	<b>Australian Stroke Alliance representative</b>
11:45 am	Where Will the First Angels Region Be... and Could It Be Yours?	<b>Kim Malkin</b> Angles Initiative
<b>11.50 am</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
12.00 am	<b>STATE AND TERRITORY-BASED INSIGHTS AND QUALITY OF CARE INITIATIVES PANEL DISCUSSION &amp; AUDIENCE Q&amp;A – TARGETS FOCUSED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VIC – Ben Clissold</li> <li>• NSW – Ken Butcher</li> <li>• SA – Michelle Hutchison</li> <li>• WA – Darshan Ghia/Andrew Sotiriou</li> <li>• QLD – Aylissa Canning</li> <li>• NT – Anna Holwell</li> <li>• ACT – Joschka Strahan</li> <li>• TAS – Beth Crane</li> </ul>	Rohan Grimley & Philip Choi to facilitate
<b>12.45 pm</b>	<b>Close of session/Lunch break</b>	<b>Co-chairs</b>

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## SESSION 3: Quality Improvement Initiatives

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**Co-chairs: Aylissa Canning & Tanya Frost**

Time	Topic	Speaker
1:30 pm	Introduction to session	Co-chairs
1.35 pm	Echuca Moama Support group - peer support group in a community setting	<b>David Dowie</b> Echuca Moama Stroke Support Group
1.50 pm	Insights for advancing stroke care in Alice Springs	<b>Anna Howell</b> Alice Springs Hospital
2.05 pm	Rehabilitation and recovery after intracerebral haemorrhage	<b>Emily Ramage</b> Stroke Theme – The Florey
2.20 pm	Dysphagia screening uplift project across Queensland	<b>Rachel Levine</b> Queensland Health
<b>2.35 pm</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
2.45 pm	Safer Care Victoria Enhancing Stroke Care Collaborative	<b>Tanya Frost &amp; Ben Clissold</b> Safer Care Victoria
<b>3.00 pm</b>	<b>Quality Improvement Case Studies</b>	
3.00 pm	Improving DTN times with thrombolysis in CT	<b>Jennifer Bergqvist &amp; Jonathan Yu</b> Western Health
3.10 pm	Towards 2030: Quality Improvement in a Regional Primary Stroke Centre	<b>Read Moreland &amp; Ashlee Martin</b> Northeast Health Wangaratta
3.20 pm	Achieving Platinum status in the WSO Angels awards	<b>Melissa Brooks &amp; Michael Devlin</b> Princess Alexandra Hospital
<b>3.30 pm</b>	<b>Questions and discussion</b>	<b>Co-chairs to facilitate</b>
<b>3.40 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea Break</b>	
4.00 pm	Panel discussion – QI research projects focus on lived experience gaps in care/implementation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Shannon Nelson</b>, Lived experience representative</li> <li>- <b>Rohan Grimely</b>, Queensland Health</li> <li>- <b>Tanya Frost</b>, Safer Care Victoria</li> <li>- <b>Kelvin Hill</b>, Stroke Foundation</li> <li>- <b>Clive Kempson</b>, Lived experience representative</li> </ul>	<b>Saran Chamberlain &amp; Elizabeth Lynch</b>
4.30 pm	Close of session	Co-chairs

4:30 - 6:30 pm Welcome & Networking session – click [here](#) to get a ticket.

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