



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



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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	Dana Wong 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	Saran Chamberlain 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	Rene Stolwyk Stroke and Telehealth Research & Monash-Epworth Rehabilitation Research Centre
2.20 pm	Questions and discussion	Co-chairs to facilitate
2.30 pm	Outcomes and implications of the AVERT DOSE trial results	Fiona Ellery The Florey
2.45 pm	Adherence Counselling Tool kit	Tamina Levy Division Rehabilitation, Aged Care and Palliative Care Southern Adelaide Local Health Network
3.00 pm	Young Stroke Service – what have we learned?	Young Stroke Service Team
3.15 pm	Questions and discussion	Co-chairs to facilitate
3.25 pm	Afternoon Tea Break	
3.45 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION & AUDIENCE Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dana Wong, La Trobe University- Tamina Levy, Flinders University- Rene Stolwyk, Monash University	Co-chairs to facilitate
4.30 pm	Close of session	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	Shannon Nelson Lived Experience representative
9.55 am	Australian Commission on Quality and Safety in Healthcare (update)	Fiona Doukas Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care
10.10 am	National Stroke Data infrastructure and registry update	Rohan Grimley Chair of AuSCR Clinical and Quality Improvement Committee
10.25 am	National Targets update 30/60/90 & Stroke Unit certification	Skye Coote Stroke Foundation
10.40 am	Questions and discussion	Co-chairs to facilitate
10.50 am	Morning Tea Break	
11.05 am	Australian Stroke Coalition Rehabilitation task force and implications of the updated stroke clinical care standards for rehabilitation settings	Natasha Lannin Alfred Health & Monash University
11:20 am	Darak & Aboriginal leadership in stroke	Aneta Kotevski Darak – Australian Stroke Alliance
11:35 am	Australian Stroke Alliance & pre-hospital stroke care optimisation	Francesca Langenberg Australian Stroke Alliance
11:45 am	Where Will the First Angels Region Be... and Could It Be Yours?	Kim Malkin Angles Initiative
11.50 am	Questions and discussion	Co-chairs to facilitate
12.00 am	STATE AND TERRITORY-BASED INSIGHTS AND QUALITY OF CARE INITIATIVES PANEL DISCUSSION & AUDIENCE Q&A – TARGETS FOCUSED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VIC – Ben Clissold • NSW – Ken Butcher • SA – Michelle Hutchison • WA – Darshan Ghia/Andrew Sotiriou • QLD – Aylissa Canning • NT – Anna Holwell • ACT – Joschka Strahan • TAS – Beth Crane 	Rohan Grimley & Philip Choi to facilitate
12.45 pm	Close of session/Lunch break	Co-chairs

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