

Overcoming the challenges of managing chronic diseases in persons with dementia

Friday 23 February 2018

About the event

Health services are increasingly facing the challenges of delivering effective health care to persons with dementia who also have other chronic conditions such as diabetes mellitus, heart failure and chronic pulmonary disease. The cornerstone of optimal management of any chronic disease requires effective patient self-management especially for people with dementia who have specific care needs and require a tailored approach.

The increasing prevalence of age-related chronic illness along with a decline in the availability of informal caregivers calls for innovative programs to support self-management at a primary care level. This patient group is growing rapidly and health services face major challenges in keep these patients healthy and living in the community.

This seminar provides information for participants about the diagnosis of cognitive impairment, an understanding of their cognitive abilities and novel ways to assist with self-management. This is essential knowledge in contemporary practice that enables clinicians to recognise and manage common co-morbidities in persons with dementia in ambulatory settings. The seminar also describes why sub-optimal self-management occurs due to the different types of cognitive impairment. It will also highlight common clinical risks and equip clinicians in the field with strategies to support persons with dementia and chronic diseases.



Event details

Date: Friday 23 February 2018

Time: 8:45am-5:15pm (registration opens at 8.15am)

Venue: AMREP Lecture Theatre, 55 Commercial Road, The Alfred, Melbourne.

Cost: \$220 incl. GST

Payment information: Online payment and registration is to be made via the following link: <https://shop.monash.edu/overcoming-the-challenges-of-managing-chronic-diseases-in-persons-with-dementia.html> Payments are to be made by **CREDIT CARD ONLY**.

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Who should attend?

- Chronic disease management managers
- Care staff
- Nurses
- Medical practitioners
- Allied health
- Other healthcare professionals



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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Time	Person	Topic	Organisation
REGISTRATION (8:15–8:45)			
08:45	Prof Joseph Ibrahim	Welcome	Monash University
Session 1: Opening Address			
09:00	Ms Maree McCabe	Promoting dementia care	Dementia Australia
Session 2: Dementia Session Chair: Joseph Ibrahim			
09:35	Dr Olivia Gobbo	Dementia, the brain and how it works	Alfred Health
10:05	Dr Mukesh Haikerwal	Multi-morbidity (in General Practice)	General Practitioner
10.35		Questions to panel	
MORNING TEA (10:45 - 11.00)			
Session 3: Dementia and disease management <i>Session Chair: Lisa Demos</i>			
11:10	A/Prof Mina Borromeo	Is oral health important for those with dementia - after all can't we just pull out all their teeth, surely that would be easier?	Monash University
11:40	Ms Anne Muldowney	Counting past one: Exploring carer roles and responsibilities in supporting older people with multiple conditions.	Carers Victoria
12:10	Prof Karen Smith	Ambulance Call Outs	Ambulance Victoria
12.40		Questions to panel	
LUNCH (12:50–13:25)			
Session 4: Experience in practice <i>Session Chair: Chelsea Baird</i>			
13:35	Prof David Kaye	Management of Heart Failure	Alfred Health
14:05	Prof Duncan Topliss	Management of Diabetes Mellitus	Alfred Health
14:35	Mr Craig Edlin	Management of COPD	St Vincent's Hospital
15:05	Ms Robyn Stell	Managing the Medications	Alfred Health
15:35		Questions to panel	
COMFORT BREAK (15:45–15:55)			
Session 5: Responding to risk <i>Session Chair: Tamsin Santos</i>			
16:05	Phil Grano OAM	High risk situations: consent and capacity	Office Public Advocate
16:35	A/Prof Dina LoGiudice	Clinician's strategies for dementia	Melbourne Health
17:05		Questions to panel	
17:15		Farewell and close	

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Speaker profiles

Ms Maree McCabe

Ms Maree McCabe commenced as the National CEO of Alzheimer's Australia in February 2017.

Ms McCabe, RN, Post Grad Dip Adv MHN, PMHN, MBA, MAICD has a background in senior executive positions across the mental health and aged care sectors.

Since Ms McCabe's appointment as CEO of Alzheimer's Australia Vic in 2010, she has successfully overseen an 84% increase in staff and driven the development of the Perc Walkley Dementia Learning Centre, including the Virtual Dementia Experience – a world first multisensory environment for experiential learning in dementia care. This technology has won the state, national and international iAwards, the Microsoft Imagine Cup in the category of Global Citizenship and the Minister for Health Public Healthcare award in 2015.

Dr Olivia Gobbo

Dr Olivia Gobbo is a Consultant Geriatrician. She received her Fellowship from the Royal Australasian College of Physicians in 1994 and has worked as a Geriatrician and General Physician since that time. She has an appointment as a Geriatrician on the Caulfield Cognitive, Dementia and Memory Service (CDAMS) team. Until recently she worked on the Caulfield Aged Care Assessment Services (ACAS) team and has a good working relationship with community providers in the area. She currently holds sessional appointments at both Southern Health and Alfred Health. Dr Gobbo's areas of interest include cognitive impairment and dementia, falls, frailty and medication management in the elderly.

Dr Mukesh Haikerwal

Dr Mukesh Haikerwal is a General Medical Practitioner in Melbourne's Western Suburbs where he has practised since 1991. He was the 19th Federal President of the Australian Medical Association (2005-2007), and was also the founding Chair of the Westgate Division of Family Medicine (1993-1997). He was awarded Honorary Fellowships by the Australian Medical Association (2005) and the Royal Australian College of General Practice (2007), and was presented with the Australian Medical Association President's Award in May 2009.

Associate Professor Mina Borromeo

A/Prof Mina Borromeo completed her undergraduate training and commenced research in the Oral Anatomy, Medicine and Surgery Unit, University of Melbourne, looking at aspects of temporomandibular disorders and the link with jaw muscle function. Mina has also completed a Master of Science in Pain Medicine and holds a FFPMANZCA and FRACDS(SND). Her current areas of interest include bisphosphonates and Osteonecrosis of the jaws. She currently convenes undergraduate and post graduate training in Special Needs Dentistry. She is also Convener of Research in the Doctor of Dental Surgery. Associate Professor Borromeo is a registered Specialist in Special Needs Dentistry.

Ms Anne Muldowney

Anne Muldowney is Senior Policy Advisor at Carers Victoria, with the portfolio areas of health and aged care. Anne is a member of several National Aged Care Alliance Advisory Groups and the Elder Abuse Prevention and Response Advisory Group to the Victorian government. Her recent literature review explored the roles and responsibilities of carers in consumer-directed care.

Professor Karen Smith

Prof Karen Smith is the Director of the Ambulance Victoria Centre for Research and Evaluation. She is also an adjunct Professor with the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine and the Department of Community Emergency Health and Paramedic Practice, Monash University.

Prof Smith co-founded and chairs the Victorian Cardiac Arrest Registry (VACAR) which contains information for all patients in Victoria, who suffer cardiac arrest and receive ambulance attendance. Karen also co-founded the Victorian State Trauma Registry (VSTR) at Monash University and sits on the Steering Committee. Karen is a Chief Investigator on the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) funded Australian Resuscitation Outcomes Consortium (AUS-ROC) Centre for Research Excellence established in 2012 and the NHMRC funded Centre for Research Excellence in Pre-hospital Emergency Care established in 2016.

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Professor David Kaye

Prof David Kaye holds appointments as a Senior Cardiologist in the Heart Failure-Transplant Unit at the Alfred Hospital, Melbourne and is Head of the Cardiology Division. He is an NHMRC Senior Principal Research Fellow at the Baker IDI Heart and Diabetes Institute. He is recognised internationally for his work on the pathophysiology of heart failure. His studies have identified a range of the fundamental mechanisms that contribute to the progressive nature of heart failure. He has published over 230 research articles.

Professor Duncan Topliss

Prof Duncan Topliss is Director of the Department of Endocrinology and Diabetes at the Alfred Hospital Melbourne, Professor of Medicine in the Department of Medicine Monash University and a past-President and Life Member of the Endocrine Society of Australia. He has served on the editorial board of Journal of Thyroid Research and Clinical Endocrinology and is a frequent reviewer for Clinical Endocrinology, Thyroid, and other endocrine journals.

Professor Topliss heads the Diabetes Clinic at the Alfred Hospital, has a long-term interest in diabetes prevention and management and has been an investigator on several major international diabetes trials.

Mr Craig Edlin

Craig Edlin studied physiotherapy in New Zealand, subsequently completing a Master of Science in Rehabilitation at St George's University of London. Craig has worked as a clinical physiotherapist in acute hospitals and the community in New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and for the past two years Melbourne. Currently working at St Vincent's Public, Craig is the lead for the HARP Complex Care Respiratory Service. Craig also leads a pilot providing intensive support for older people transitioning from the Emergency Department to home. Craig's interests include care of the elderly, learning and rehabilitation in persons with dementia, and prevention of functional decline.

Ms Robyn Stell

Robyn Stell is a Senior Pharmacist at Alfred Health in Melbourne who has been working as an Outreach Pharmacist for over 10 years seeing patients at home and in clinic through both the HARP and Gem at Home programs. She has extensive experience in geriatrics and chronic disease with a special interest in the continuum of care. Accredited with AACP, Robyn has conducted Home Medication Reviews and Residential Medication Management Reviews.

Phil Grano OAM

Phil Grano is a senior legal officer in the Office of the Public Advocate. Phil is a qualified lawyer and became a member of the Law Institute of Victoria in 1981. Phil is highly respected in the disability advocacy sector as a committed and vigorous advocate for people with a disability and has been the facilitator of the Victorian Disability Advocacy Network Co-ordinating Committee. He is committed to improving the lives of persons with a disability, reducing elder abuse, and ensuring access to justice and human rights for vulnerable persons.

Associate Professor Dina LoGiudice

A/Prof Dina LoGiudice is a consultant physician in geriatric medicine, a senior associate at the National Ageing Research Institute (Melbourne, Australia) and coordinator of the Cognitive Dementia and Memory Service at the Royal Park Campus, Royal Melbourne Hospital. Her PhD thesis was entitled 'The Assessment of Services for Elderly People with Dementia'. Dina's main interests lie in assessment and management of older people with dementia and their carers, in particular those of non English speaking background.