

ANZSPM Member eNews – 7 February 2020

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ANZSPM member in the news: Dr Frank Brennan

Congratulations to ANZSPM member Dr Frank Brennan who was recognised in the 2020 Australia Day Honours lists receiving a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia for significant service to palliative medicine, and to medical education. His work as a palliative care physician, both in renal and motor neurone disease, as well as his previous work as a lawyer, writing on the human rights of pain management and palliative care, have greatly helped to support numerous patients and families. Dr Brennan is also an accomplished storyteller, having written numerous short stories on the role of palliative care. For more information, please click [here](#).

Government News

AUS: Aged Care Royal Commission witness list published

On 6 February 2020 the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality Safety released [the witness list](#) ahead of the first hearing in the form of a workshop on the re-design of the aged care system, to be held in Adelaide from Monday 10 and Tuesday 11 February 2020.

AUS: AIHW report on disparities in potentially preventable hospitalisations across Australia

On 6 February, the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) released a report on **Disparities in potentially preventable hospitalisations across Australia, 2012-13 to 2017-18**. Potentially preventable hospitalisations (PPH) are specific hospital admissions that potentially could have been prevented by timely and adequate health care in the community. This report highlights disparities in PPH rates between populations, particularly the very young and the elderly, those in socio-economically disadvantaged areas, remote areas, and Indigenous Australians. The report shows that 748,000 (1 in 15 or 6.6%) hospital admissions were classified as potentially preventable in 2017–18.

AUS: REVISED Department of Health webinar date: Update on new aged care assessment arrangements

The webinar planned for 12 February 2020 on the development of new aged care assessment arrangements has been rescheduled to **Wednesday 11 March 2020 from 2:00pm-3:00pm**. The webinar will provide an update on recent consultations on hospital assessment arrangements and will address common themes arising from stakeholder questions during the first webinar on 11 December 2019. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions about the new arrangements from representatives from the Department of Health. To be notified about this and other upcoming webinars, please subscribe to the aged care e-newsletter. The webinar will be recorded and made available for on-demand viewing on the Department's website.

AUS: Barriers to Palliative Care final reports now online

The Department of Health has released a series of reports and an accompanying Summary Policy Paper about the barriers to accessing quality palliative care for people from under-served populations or people with complex needs. The reports are based on project work completed by Australian

Healthcare Associates in consultation with stakeholders and people from vulnerable populations. The final reports include findings and recommendations specific to each under-served population group, however the policy paper also provides a range of overarching recommendations to address common barriers shared across each group. For more information and to download all the reports, please click [here](#).

Other News

New RACP Pomegranate Health podcast release Ep 55: Starting out in Private Practice

This podcast is about one of many pathways in medicine; private practice. It's a pathway that presents many opportunities, but also personal and financial challenges. You can listen to episode 55 [here](#).

External Expressions of Interests (Eoi)

External Expression of Interest (Eoi): South Australia Cancer Network Steering Committee

Expressions of Interest for membership on the state-wide Cancer Clinical Network Steering Committee are now open. CEIH are looking for broad representation from metropolitan and rural areas, public and private sectors and consumers and carers. Applications close on **Friday 14 February 2020**. More information, including how to apply, is available on the CEIH website.

ANZSPM Updates

ANZSPM Rural & Remote Travel Grant - apply NOW!

Applications are open until 2 March 2020 for the ANZSPM Rural & Remote Travel Grant for 2019-20! The grant has been established to support ANZSPM members living in rural and remote regions to attend a major ANZSPM educational event. Applications are invited for support to attend our next major event, the ANZSPM Conference 2020 in Auckland, New Zealand from 17-20 September 2020. A total pool of \$5,000AUD is available in this initial grant round and will be allocated in accordance with the ANZSPM Rural & Remote Travel Grant Guidelines and Terms & Conditions. If you are interested in applying, please read the Guidelines and Terms & Conditions and fill in the ANZSPM Rural & Remote Travel Grant Application Form, both available on our website [here](#). Your completed application form should be forwarded to ANZSPM by email to: info@anzspm.org.au no later than **2 March 2020**.

All ANZSPM Webinar recordings are now available online

The recordings of all ANZSPM webinars held in 2019 are now available. The recordings can be found behind the RACP member login [here](#) **ANZSPM** or on YouTube (link unsearchable) [here](https://youtu.be/werAEfIEB10_) https://youtu.be/werAEfIEB10_

Other Updates

Reminder: What Matters Most – New person-centred care resources available now

Palliative Care Australia, through a Dementia and Aged Care Services Fund grant, has launched a suite of resources to encourage early conversations about What Matters Most to older people, their care and their end of life preferences. All aged care providers will be sent a set of What Matters Most resources designed to be used by health or aged care workers to support consumers, including people living with dementia. The resources will assist aged care workers to deliver person-centred care and help consumers to make informed choices about their care. For more information or to download the resources visit Dyingtotalk.org.au.

Upcoming ANZSPM Events

ANZSPM Aotearoa Palliative MDT Retreat – 3-5 April 2020: Register NOW!

The ANZSPM Aotearoa Committee is hosting a multidisciplinary team retreat over three days on the theme "Exploring resilience within palliative and end of life care" in April 2020.

Where: Silverstream Retreat, 3 Reynolds Bach Drive, Lower Hutt Wellington, NZ

Who: Suitable for all professionals working in palliative care.

What: The aim of the retreat is to allow you to return to your place of work affirmed, invigorated, motivated and refreshed.

More information, including program and pricing, is available on the ANZSPM website's events page. To enquire about the retreat please email nzadmin@anzspm.org.au



ANZSPM Conference 2020, 17-20 September 2020 | Auckland, NZ

The ANZSPM Conference 2020 will be held at the Pullman, Auckland from 17 to 20 September 2020. Our theme for 2020 is *Palliative Care in an Uncertain World*. More details coming soon: www.anzspm.org.au/anzspm20.

RACP supervisor training workshop (SPDP3) at ANZSPM20, 17 October 2020 | Auckland NZ

The session will be 3 hours and will cover the following:

- Discuss the purpose and importance of work-based learning and assessment
- Analyse the cycle of planning for learning and assessment
- Identify the challenges and solutions associated with work-based assessment in a complex environment
- Evaluate overall performance and progress to make a summative assessment.

Date and Location: Thursday 17 October 2020 9.00am-12.00pm, The Pullman Hotel, Corner of Princes St & Waterloo Quadrant, Auckland

Facilitated by Dr Raewyn Gavin & Dr Dorothy Dinesh; to register please email SPDP@racp.org.nz

For more information on the workshop, go to the ANZSPM20 Conference website [here](#).

Other Upcoming Events

Other upcoming events that may be of interest to members:



2020 Annual Conferences and Study Days (paid advertisement)

Education and research has been key to Sobell House's drive to improve end of life care for over 30 years. The Oxford Centre for Education and Research in Palliative Care: Sobell House offer an annual programme of study days, courses and conferences on a variety of topics for health and social care practitioners, both local to Oxfordshire and from an international audience.

Dates for the Diary

Annual conferences

OXFORD ADVANCED PAIN AND SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT COURSES 2020

Pay online before 14th February 2020, Cost £495,

From the 15th February 2020, Cost £550

Newcastle-upon-Tyne	11-12 June	Nottingham	24-25 June
Oxford 1	02-03 July	Oxford 2	09-10 July

ENHANCED COMMUNICATION SKILLS TRAINING

23-24 April 2020

4-5 June 2020

24-25 September 2020

8-9 October 2020

19-20 November 2020

Cost: £550

For further information and booking online: www.sobelleducation.org.uk

Building Palliative Care Clinical Research in NZ Workshop, 14 February 2020 | Wellington NZ

IMPACCT (University of Technology) in conjunction with Capital and Coast District Health Board (NZ) and Palliative Care Clinical Studies Collaborative (PaCCSC) are running a workshop to introduce clinical research to new or experienced researchers in New Zealand.

Who should attend? Anyone with an interest in learning more about PaCCSC and conducting clinical research in palliative care. The workshop will be multi-disciplinary in focus.

Symptoms of Focus – Pain, Fatigue, Breathlessness, Appetite & Cachexia, Nausea, Cognitive & Neurological Disorders, Gut Dysfunction

Online registration is open here. Contact PaCCSC@uts.edu.au for more information

CST Annual Research Forum 2020: Vision 2030: Cancer Symptom Trials | 18 February 2020 | Sydney, NSW

Calling all researchers, health professionals and consumer representatives with an interest in cancer symptom management and supportive care. Expand your research and interdisciplinary networks and hear from accomplished guest speakers and discussion panels as well as the chairs of four of our symptom node subcommittees. Register now for the CST Annual Research Forum 2020 to be held on 18 February 2020 at the Aerial UTS Function Centre.

AAHPM: State of the Science in Hospice and Palliative Care research symposium | 20-22 March 2020 | San Diego, CA (USA)

Network with fellow investigators and gain insights to new research and methods in hospice and palliative medicine at the first ever State of the Science research meeting, hosted by AAHPM. The purpose of the meeting is to support and advance the science of hospice and palliative care by fostering community and multidisciplinary collaboration, building capacity through investigator development, and sharing cutting-edge research by scientists at all career stages. For more information and to register, click here.

Advanced European bioethics course “Suffering, Death & Palliative Care”, 24-27 March 2020 | Netherlands

The aim is to educate participants on a range of ethical issues related to suffering and dying, palliative care and medically assisted death. The key-note lecture will be held by Els van Wijngaarden PhD, associate professor and researcher, Dept. of Care Ethics, University for Humanistic Studies, Utrecht, the Netherlands. More information here. Direct registration: registration.

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2020 Australian Pain Society 40th Annual Scientific Meeting | 5-8 April 2020 | Hobart TAS

This is the only multidisciplinary conference in Australia offering insights into the complex nature of pain management from a variety of medical, nursing and allied health perspectives. Further information is at www.dconferences.com.au/aps2020/

EUROPALL2020: European Conference on Controversies in Palliative Care | 23-24 April 2020 | Vienna, Austria

This conference will address a large number of controversial issues faced by multidisciplinary professionals across Europe in their everyday clinical practice. The aim is having frank, open and even provocative debates with a world-renowned panel of experts from various disciplines to ultimately form a consensus on how best to manage different complex questions in palliative care. Further information is at <https://europall2020.com>

2020 Palliative Care Nurses Australia Conference | 3-4 May 2020 | Pullman Albert Park, Melbourne VIC

This biennial conference brings together Australian and New Zealand nurses with an interest in delivering high quality, contemporary palliative care. The two-day conference is the perfect forum for nurses and other health professionals to seek new knowledge, become familiar with new products and services to the industry, and to identify opportunities to translate the best evidence into clinical and academic excellence. Networking, debating and socialising with peers adds a further dimension to the experience. With several plenary sessions, concurrent sessions and workshops, the structure of the conference provides the ideal environment for these activities to occur. More information at <https://www.pcna2020.org/>

Save the Date: Better Together - Connecting Palliative and Aged Care | 21 May 2020 | SA

The Palliative Care South Australia biennial conference will be held on 21 May 2020 with a focus on aged care. While the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety has brought a great deal of attention to the issues in the sector including palliative care, this conference seeks to bring together consumers/carers, the aged and palliative care sectors to show some of the good things that are happening. Better Together aims to bring the community and workforce together so that we can better understand each other's services and needs. More information about the conference will be available early next year. Email pallcare@pallcare.asn.au or call on 8271 643.

NPS: National Medicines Symposium (NMS) | 21 May 2020 | Sydney, NSW

NPS MedicineWise is hosting its next National Medicines Symposium (NMS) on 21 May 2020 in Sydney. Held every two years, the NMS program is designed to provide the latest content in the medicines and health environment and is delivered by acclaimed experts. For any enquiries please email nms@expertevents.com.au

National Palliative Care Week, 24 – 30 May 2020

National Palliative Care Week is an annual event organised by Palliative Care Australia and supported by the Department of Health to raise awareness and understanding about palliative care in the Australian community. In 2020, National Palliative Care Week will be held from **Sunday 24 May – Saturday 30 May**. Stay tuned for more details about our National Palliative Care Week theme and branding.

7th Rural and Remote Health Scientific Symposium | 25-26 May 2020 | Alice Springs NT

The National Rural Health Alliance has released the full program of its 7th Rural and Remote Health Scientific Symposium, which will be held in Alice Springs on 25-26 May 2020. The Symposium is an opportunity to hear from researchers and thought leaders in the rural health space, and to get together with academics, policymakers, health professionals and those from the not-for-profit sector, to learn and share knowledge. You can read the full program [here](#) and register [here](#).

12th International Conference on Grief & Bereavement in Contemporary Society | 13-17 July 2020, Melbourne Australia

Global leaders will take the stage sharing the latest research in grief and bereavement care, and clinical practice. For more information and registrations please visit www.icgb2020.com

Careers

New positions have recently been advertised on the ANZSPM website – visit the ANZSPM Careers pages for details!

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