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PROGRAM

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DAY ONE – Thursday 26 October 2017

8:15 AM - 8:30 AM	PCRN Breakfast Workshop Registration
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Palliative Care Research Network Pre-Colloquium Workshop & Breakfast - "Communicating Research to a Lay Audience" <i>Have you ever been confounded on how you should communicate your research to the lay audience?</i> If you're an academic in the area of health and medicine, chances are the general public has little to no idea about the unique and exciting findings of your research. This is a shame because they want to know. This workshop will provide insights on how you could communicate your research to the general public in a language that is understandable to those who don't work in the medical field. In this interactive workshop, Sasha will take you through how to pitch your research to <i>The Conversation</i> as well as how they edit articles there – the structure, the news pyramid and jargon busting. At the end of this process, your unique findings will have a chance to reach a much wider audience than that of academic journals. View the Workshop Program here. Presenter: Sasha Petrova (The Conversation, VIC) Facilitators: Molly Glassey (The Conversation, VIC), Soula Ganiatsas (Centre for Palliative Care & PCRN, VIC)
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Colloquium Registration, Morning Tea and Networking
11:00 AM - 11:10 AM	Welcome to 2017 Colloquium Presenter: Peter Hudson (Centre for Palliative Care & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)

11:10 AM - 12:20 PM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: How can palliative care research influence health policy? Purpose: To convey perspectives and examples on how research can influence health policy. <i>Palliative care is an often misunderstood and neglected area of health policy. Palliative care research can inform and influence the development of better policy, but often doesn't. Partly this happens because contemporary research practice puts a premium on rigorous, grant-funded, disinterested publication of generalisable findings in highly ranked international peer reviewed publications. Contextualised, applied research that generates solutions for practical issues facing today's policy makers and service providers is generally considered a career limiting strategy, particularly for university-based researchers. But even when policy-relevant evidence is clear, there is no guarantee that it will be taken up because there are many competing interests in the policy-making process. Without research advocacy, good quality, relevant research is easily neglected in policy-making. For research to have more impact, researchers (and research organisations) will have to move away from the dominant university research model. There are risks, but substantial benefits in doing so. This presentation explores these issues through a discussion of an example of policy-relevant research in palliative care, the 'Dying Well' report published by Grattan Institute.</i> Presenter: Hal Swerissen (Grattan Institute & La Trobe University, VIC) Facilitator: Peter Hudson (Centre for Palliative Care & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)
12:20 PM - 12:30 PM	Introduction to Poster Competition and Colloquium Game [Presenter: Jennifer Philip (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre, University of Melbourne & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)]
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch and Networking Lunch is served in Straits Café
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	SESSION 1: Conducting research in clinical education: how data can demonstrate efficacy and drive practice change Purpose: To explore clinical educational research, as well as the challenges, opportunities and current gaps in knowledge. <i>This session is devoted to research in clinical education. We will be introduced to the topic by Professor Geoff McColl, Head of Melbourne Medical School, who will then hand on to his colleague, A/Prof Agnes Dodds, who will lead us through a practical session on evaluation of educational interventions. Dr Penny Cotton, as an early career researcher, will also share her experiences of starting out in education research. The session will conclude with a panel discussion.</i>

	Presenters: Geoff McColl (Melbourne Medical School, University of Melbourne, VIC) Agnes Dodds (Melbourne Medical School, University of Melbourne, VIC) Penny Cotton (Ballarat Health Services, VIC) Facilitator: Jennifer Weil (Centre for Palliative Care & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC) 1:30 - 1:35 pm Introduction – Session 1 Jennifer Weil (Centre for Palliative Care & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC) 1:35 - 2:05 pm An introduction to research in clinical education Geoff McColl (Melbourne Medical School, University of Melbourne, VIC) 2:05 - 2:35 pm Evaluation Science Agnes Dodds (Melbourne Medical School, University of Melbourne, VIC) 2:35 - 2:50 pm A case study in clinical education research Penny Cotton (Ballarat Health Services, VIC) 2:50 - 3:00 pm Q & A / Panel Discussion Panel: All session presenters
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Afternoon Tea Afternoon Tea, Networking and Poster Viewing at Atrium
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	SESSION 2: Program Logic: Preparation prevents poor performance – using planning frameworks to develop, conduct and measure the impact of your research Purpose: To justify and provide examples of how program logic and related approaches can enhance the process of developing, conducting and measuring research outcomes. <i>Program logic can be described as a systematic, visual map of how a program is expected to work to achieve the desired outcomes. It can be used to effectively develop, conduct and measure the impact of your research. This session will provide an overview of program logic, standardised approaches to patient outcome assessment based on the International Consortium for Health Outcome Measurement (ICHOM) Standard Sets and a case study of process evaluation. The session will close with questions for the panel.</i>

	Presenters: Caroline Brand (Monash University & Melbourne EpiCentre, VIC) Ilana Ackerman (Monash University, VIC) Darshini Ayton (Monash University, VIC) Facilitator: Lorna Rosenwax (Curtin University, WA)
3:30 - 3:35 pm	Introduction – Session 2 Lorna Rosenwax (Curtin University, WA)
3:35 - 3:55 pm	Using a program logic to support complex health service design and evaluation Caroline Brand (Monash University & Melbourne EpiCentre, VIC)
3:55 - 4:15 pm	The new landscape of patient outcome assessment Ilana Ackerman (Monash University, VIC)
4:15 - 4:35 pm	Key ingredients for successful falls prevention programs - did we get it right? The RESPOND RCT process evaluation Darshini Ayton (Monash University, VIC)
4:35 - 5:00 pm	Q & A / Panel Discussion Panel: All session presenters
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Networking Pre-Dinner Drinks The Fox's Den, Henry and the Fox, 525 Little Collins Street, VIC 3000
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Colloquium Dinner The Fox's Den, Henry and the Fox, 525 Little Collins Street, VIC 3000

DAY TWO – Friday 27 October 2017

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Networking and Refreshments Networking, Refreshments and Poster Viewing at Atrium
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	SESSION 3: Clinical Trials: Changing the World! – How to build successful clinical trials into your research

	Purpose: reflection of experiences in establishing a clinical trials program. <i>Clinical trials are a critical component of the expansion of the evidence base in palliative care. Consistent with the nature of palliative care, clinical trials in this area may involve pharmaceutical agents, health service interventions and therapies or other novel approaches. A clinical trials service in palliative care must therefore consider a wide range of potential trial designs and outcomes, with attendant challenges (and triumphs). This session will consider these issues as it explores the components of a successful clinical trials service in palliative care.</i> Presenters: Mark Rosenthal (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre & Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, VIC) Brian Le (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre & RMH, VIC) Aine Greene (Southern Adelaide Palliative Services, SA) Facilitator: Jennifer Philip (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre, University of Melbourne & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)
9:00 - 9:05 am	Introduction – Session 3 Jennifer Philip (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre, University of Melbourne & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)
9:05 - 9:25 am	Palliative Care and Clinical Trials: An Oxymoron or Marriage Material? Mark Rosenthal (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre & Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, VIC)
9:25 - 9:45 am	Palliative Care and Clinical Trials: redefining specialist palliative care. Brian Le (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, Royal Melbourne Hospital & University of Melbourne, VIC)
9:45 - 10:05 am	Recruitment is at the core of successful research in any setting: How do we overcome the barriers and gatekeeping in Palliative Care? Aine Greene (Southern Adelaide Palliative Services, SA)
10:05 - 10:30 am	Q & A / Panel Discussion Panel: All session presenters
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Morning Tea Morning Tea, Networking and Poster Viewing at Atrium
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	SESSION 4: All you need to know about the methodological insights when conducting palliative care research involving complex populations

	Purpose: To outline the methodological strategies for conducting research involving complex populations using dementia and paediatric populations as examples. Presenters: Zsuzsoka Kecskes (Canberra Hospital & Australian National University, ACT) Deborah Parker (University of Technology Sydney) Michael Chapman (Canberra Hospital, ACT) Facilitator: Jane Phillips (ImPACCT, University of Technology Sydney)
11:00 - 11:05 am	Introduction – Session 4 Jane Phillips (ImPACCT, University of Technology Sydney)
11:05 - 11:35 pm	The challenges and barriers to palliative care research involving neonates and children Zsuzsoka Kecskes (Canberra Hospital & Australian National University, ACT) <i>Paediatric palliative care is distinct from adult palliative care, and includes the illnesses that affect children, role and involvement of the family, developmental factors including age, understanding of the child, ability to communicate and make decisions, as well as the traumatic experience to the family, as grief associated with the loss of a child is acknowledged as particularly intense with a high risk of complicated bereavement. While there is a need to increase the evidence underpinning paediatric palliative care to inform guidelines in paediatric palliative care, barriers to research in this field are numerous. In this talk, the differences between paediatric (including neonatal) and adult palliative care, difficulties in inclusion of children in the process and barriers to research in this field are being explored.</i>
11:35 - 12:05 am	Engaging people living with dementia in palliative care research Deborah Parker (University of Technology Sydney) <i>Dementia is the second leading cause of death of Australians which equates to 37 Australians dying each day from dementia. This has focused the need to understand the palliative and end-of-life care needs of people living with dementia and their families. This presentation will provide an overview of strategies to include people with dementia in research as well as specific issues in conducting research such as consent and safe research practice.</i>
12:05 - 12:15 pm	Insights: navigating consent/ state jurisdictions Michael Chapman (Canberra Hospital, ACT)
12:15 - 12:30 pm	Q & A / Panel Discussion Panel: All session presenters

1:35 - 1:55 pm	Presentation 1: Introduction to social media of social media and the relevance of social media to research and academia TBC
1:55 - 2:00 pm	Q & A
2:00 - 2:10 pm	Case Study: Using social media to promote palliative care research project Beth Russell (St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)
2:10 - 2:30 pm	Presentation 2: Exploring the use of social media to engage the community about health care research Dean Hewson (Consumers Health Forum of Australia, ACT)
2:30 - 2:35 pm	Q & A
2:35 - 4:00 pm	Interactive Workshop: developing a social media strategy for various palliative care research projects - Small group discussions facilitated by session facilitators - Discussion Panel with all session presenters
4:00 PM - 4:15 PM	Game & Poster Prize Award [Presenter: Jennifer Philip (Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre, University of Melbourne & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)]
4:15 PM - 5:00 PM	Colloquium Wrap Up followed by Afternoon Tea Afternoon Tea and Networking in the Vestibule [Presenter: Peter Hudson (Centre for Palliative Care & St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC)]

