

Advance Care Directives: A matter of love, rights and self-determination

Guest Speakers and Panellists



Keynote speaker and panellist: Mr Ian Henschke

Advance Care Planning Ambassador and National Seniors Australia Chief Advocate

Ian Henschke is an award-winning broadcaster and Chief Advocate for National Seniors Australia, raising the profile of older people.

Emerging from a background in teaching, Ian's substantive journalism career includes roles at Channel 9, Channel 7 and ABC TV where he reported and produced for more than 25 years on programs including Four Corners, Landline and the 7.30 Report.

Ian was awarded the Centenary of Federation Medal, for services to Australian society through broadcasting. In addition to his full-time role as Chief Advocate for National Seniors he continues to write a regular column for The Advertiser's SA Weekend magazine.



Guest speaker and panel facilitator: Dr Chris Moy

Dr Chris Moy is a GP working in Adelaide with a long-standing involvement in the areas of aged care, end of life decision making, palliative care and digital health at both state and national levels.

He is a former member of the Expert Advisory Group of the SA Advance Care Directives Review and SA Health End of Life Working Group - which developed the Resuscitation Plan-7 Step Pathway currently being implemented across health in South Australia. He participated in the development of the GP Partners GP Palliative Shared Care Model and he is the current Chair of its Operations Consultative Committee. He is a member of the SA End of Life Care Strategy Program Board.

Chris has been involved over many years in the development of the My Health Record, on which advance care planning documents can now be uploaded by individuals, and he is currently a member of the My Health Record Expansion Program Steering Group of the Australian Digital Health Agency.

He is the current Chair of the Adelaide PHN Central Adelaide Clinical Council and a GP Clinical Editor for South Australia Health Pathways

He is the current Chair of the Ethics and Medico-legal Committee of the Australian Medical Association.



Guest speaker and panellist: Ms Allison Willis

Allison has worked in the health, education, community and disability sectors for over 30 years as a nurse, advocate and policy maker.

Her work in these areas has meant that she has developed an understanding and commitment to supporting people in making decisions about their end of life care. Having supported a number of family members and several close friends through this process, she is passionate about the importance of people considering what they want to happen, and making their end of life wishes clear to their support network and health providers.

Allison has encouraged her family and friends to think and talk openly about this, and has supported many of them to document their wishes in an Advanced Care Directive.



Panellist: Ms Lee Wightman

Manager, Policy and Legislation, Department for Health and Ageing

Lee was originally trained as a social worker and later completed a Masters in Policy and Administration at Flinders Uni.

She worked in child protection policy for a number of years in the NT and SA. She then worked in community services policy in the Department for Human Services. When that department was disbanded she moved to health policy and legislation, which is where she currently is although there have been a few restructures along the way. The Advance Care Directives Act 2013 is one of a number of Acts for which she has responsibility.



Panellist: Ms Karen Glaetzer

Karen Glaetzer was the first Nurse in Australia to be endorsed as a Nurse Practitioner in the specialty of palliative care. Before her retirement in March 2018, she worked for almost 30 years for Southern Adelaide Palliative Services and is considered a pioneer in palliative care in South Australia.

She has received numerous awards throughout her career, including an AM in January 2018 for services to nursing, palliative care, people living with motor neurone disease and professional groups, and a Churchill Fellowship to research the palliative care needs of individuals with physical and intellectual disabilities. She is currently working part-time for Eldercare conducting Advance Care Planning Clinics.



Panellist: Ms Gaynor Stevenson

Gaynor Stevenson is the National Senior My Health Record Jurisdiction Education Lead for SA, NT, ACT, TAS, VIC and WA.

She is an experienced Senior Director and Executive with a demonstrated history of working in hospital and health care, as well as local and Commonwealth Government departments.

Panellist: Dr Christine Drummond

Senior Palliative Medicine Consultant, Central Adelaide Local Health Network (CALHN)

Christine has significant clinical expertise and experience in palliative care, general practice, emergency medicine and the ability to appreciate and examine the healthcare system from a variety of angles. This is supported by a passion for community-based health care and hospital avoidance particularly at end of life, a strong sense of social justice and a belief that health care organisations' primary purpose is to build health capacity within their community.

Christine is recognised as an advocate for authentic patient focus in service development, for adopting a population approach to health care and a focus on evidence based practice and activities, particularly at the end of life. She held a major project role implementing advance care and resuscitation planning across Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN) and is currently the Chair of the CALHN Improving End of Life Care Working Group.
