

HOME STRETCH

SYMPOSIUM

PARK HYATT
MELBOURNE

15 & 16
JUNE 2023

PROGRAM
DAY ONE

09.00 REGISTRATION

09.25 WELCOME | JULIAN MORROW, MC

09.30 WELCOME TO COUNTRY, AUNTIE KELLIE HUNTER

09.40 OPENING REMARKS, EXTENDED CARE REFORM IN AUSTRALIA

The journey of extended care reform and looking to the future.

Paul McDonald, Chair Home Stretch & CEO Anglicare Victoria

10.00 KEYNOTE | WHAT IS THE EVIDENCE & LESSONS FROM INTERNATIONAL EVALUATIONS OF EXTENDED CARE?

Prof. Mark Courtney, Samuel Deutsch Professor, University of Chicago (US)

11.00 MORNING TEA

11.30 WHAT ARE YOUNG PEOPLE SAYING ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE OF EXTENDED CARE SO FAR?

Jasmin Malham, Malakie Mcloughlin (more panelists will be announced soon)

12.00 EXTENDED CARE POLICIES (PART 1)

What are the current policies around Australia, progress to date and priorities for the future? Victoria, Western Australia, South Australia and Australian Capital Territory.

Department of Fairness, Families and Housing, Victoria

Department of Communities, Western Australia

Department of Child Protection, South Australia

Community Services Directorate, Australian Capital Territory

13.00 LUNCH

13.45 EXTENDED CARE FOR FIRST NATIONS YOUNG PEOPLE, EXPERIENCE FROM NEW ZEALAND & AUSTRALIA

What is the impact of extended care on First Nations care leavers in New Zealand? Are there any implications for Indigenous care leavers in Australia?

Kerri Cleaver, Lecturer, University of Canterbury (NZ)

Dr. Jacyntha Kraouker, Monash University (Aust.)

14.30 CASE WORKING THE 18-21 YEAR OLD

Panel discussion exploring the casework and support practice models for young adults.

Diana E. Matteson, Director, YAP Wraparound Advocate Model (US)

Kim Janssen, Program Manager, Uniting

Dylan Langley, Youth Advocate

Rhiannon McDonald, Team Leader, Compass

Leon Jordan, Team Leader, Village 21

15.15 AFTERNOON TEA

15.45 EXTENDED CARE POLICIES (PART 2)

What are the current policies around Australia, progress to date and priorities for the future? New South Wales, Northern Territory, Queensland and Tasmania.

Department of Communities and Justice, New South Wales

Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities, Northern Territory

Department for Education, Children and Young People, Tasmania

Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs, Queensland

16.45 DAY ONE REFLECTIONS

17.00 NETWORKING EVENT

PROGRAM DAY TWO

08.50 WELCOME | JULIAN MORROW, MC

09.00 KEYNOTE | WHAT ARE THE LESSONS OF THE STAYING CLOSE MODEL IN THE UK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE LEAVING RESIDENTIAL CARE?

Jo Dixon, Lecturer, University of York (UK)

Dr. Robert Porter, Research Lead, Strath University (UK)

09.40 COHORTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WILL NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT BETWEEN 18 & 21

Are there cohorts of care leavers who need additional support in extended care?

Prof. Philip Mendes, Director Social Inclusion and Social Policy Research Unit, Monash University

10.00 POLICY CONSULTATIONS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE: VIEWS FROM QUEENSLAND

Findings from consultations with young people leaving care in Queensland.

Dr. Joseph McDowall, Executive Director (Research), CREATE Foundation

10.20 MORNING TEA

10.50 CARE, CULTURE AND PRACTICE

Exploring the unique requirements and policy changes needed when extending care for indigenous young people.

Muriel Bamlett, CEO VACCA (Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency)

John Leha, CEO AbSec (NSW Child, Family and Community Peak Aboriginal Corporation)

11.30 MEASURING OUTCOMES

Evaluation & Evidence: what is needed for a successful evaluation, what are the challenges and how does evaluation inform implementation?

Prof. Mark Courtney, Samuel Deutsch Professor, University of Chicago (US)

Jo Norman, Director, Centre for Evaluation and Research Evidence Analytics, Evidence and Research Branch, Department of Health, Victoria

Julian Thomas, Director, URBIS

12.15 LUNCH

12.45 HOUSING MODELS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN EXTENDED CARE

A closer look at housing pathways currently available for young people in extended care and recommendations.

Presentation by Dan Jefferson, Partner, Management Consulting Health, Ageing & Human Services, KPMG

Kate Colvin, CEO, Homelessness Australia

David Elridge AM, Chair, NYCA (National Youth Commission Australia)

Prof. Philip Mendes, Director Social Inclusion and Social Policy Research Unit, Monash University

Shorna Moore, Head of Policy, Advocacy & Government Relations, Melbourne City Mission

13.30 REFLECTIONS & NEXT STEPS

Special Guest: Caroline Fletcher, Youth Advocate

Paul McDonald, Chair Home Stretch & CEO Anglicare Victoria

13.45 END OF SYMPOSIUM

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