



Public Health Association
AUSTRALIA

Screening Conference 2025

‘Population Screening for Chronic Disease –
Maximising Benefits, Minimising Harms’

Tuesday 4 to Wednesday 5 March 2025
Mercure Hotel Sydney, NSW

Printable Program



Tuesday 4 March

Time	Room	Session
8:00am – 5:00pm	Pre-Function Area	Conference Registration Open
8:00am – 5:00pm	TBC	Exhibition Open
9:00am – 10:30am	Grand Central & Plenary Hub	Opening Plenary Session: Population screening principles – fit for purpose? Welcome to Country Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council Introductory Remarks Opening Address Professor Harry de Koning , Deputy Head and Professor of Public Health & Screening Evaluation, Department of Public Health, Erasmus MC University Medical Centre, Rotterdam Ms. Lisa Schofield , First Assistant Secretary, Cancer, Hearing & Chronic Conditions, Australian Department of Health and Aged Care Q&A with keynote speakers
10:30am – 11:00am	Pre-Function Area	Morning Tea & Exhibition

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11:00am – 12:30pm	Grand Central & Plenary Hub	Plenary 2 – New and evolving screening programs: maximising benefit, minimising harm Professor Karen Canfell , Director, Daffodil Centre a joint venture between the University of Sydney and Cancer Council NSW Professor Katy Bell , NHMRC Leadership Fellow; Professor Of Clinical Epidemiology, The University of Sydney Professor Gary Jennings AO , Chief Medical Advisor, Heart Foundation Q&A with keynote speakers

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12:30pm – 1:30pm **Pre-Function Area** **Lunch & Exhibition**

Time	Poster Displays	
12:40pm – 1:30pm		
Room	Poster Title	Presenter
Pre-Function Area	Population screening at the point of care	Ms Gill O'Donnell
	Remaining treatment gaps impact on the care cascade of HCV-related hepatocellular carcinoma	A/Prof Jessica Howell
	RoBiN (Risk of Breast Neoplasia): Acceptability and feasibility study for personalised screening	Dr Dulashi (Anna) Withanage Dona
	SIMPLY-B Pilot Study: Assessing hepatitis B treatment uptake in primary care clinics	Dr Dina Moussa
	Harnessing narratives to increase bowel cancer screening in CALD communities: methodological insights	Mr Ben Chand Dr Tam Ha Dr Lyn Phillipson Ms Biljana Stanoevska Ms Leissa West
	Cancer Screening Knowledge, Awareness and Practices among LGBTIQ+ Western Australians	Dr Jonathan Hallett
	Screening tools to support identification and management of chronic conditions in Australia	Mr Jon Kite
	EMPOWERING STROKE RISK ASSESSMENT: A MOBILE HEALTH INITIATIVE IN INDONESIA	Dr Balakrishnan Nair
	BRISK: breast cancer risk assessment in primary care	Dr Dulashi (Anna) Withanage Dona

Time	Concurrent Session 1	
1:30pm – 3:00pm		
Session Name & Room	Presentation Title	Speakers
1A - Lung Cancer Screening	The new National Lung Cancer Screening Program commencing July 2025	Ms Jessica Pratt
	Is stigma a big deal? National survey insights on lung cancer stigma.	Ms Hannah McGinty
	Developing information and workforce materials for the National Lung Cancer Screening Program	Dr Rachael Dodd

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Museum	Informed choice for lung cancer screening: randomised trial of three decision aids	Dr Rachael Dodd
	What lessons from existing cancer screening programs will ensure equitable lung screening?	Ms Kate Broun
	National Lung Cancer Screening Program implementation: Best-practice resource dissemination to health workforce	Ms Dianne Eggins
	People first in lung cancer screening: international learnings from a Churchill Fellowship	A/Prof Nicole Rankin
1B - Cardiovascular & Chronic Disease Screening	Targeted text message recall system to increase uptake of Heart Health Checks	Associate Professor Carissa Bonner
	Listen to Your Heart and Mind: a case for combined health screening	Dr Isabella Tan
	Public dental clinics: An opportunity to screen for hypertension	Dr Shalinie King
	CODESIGNING TRANSFORMATIVE SOLUTIONS TO PREVENT STROKE AND OTHER NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	Dr Balakrishnan Nair
Town Hall	Burden of lifestyle disease identified through targeted screening of PNG DF members	Dr Krond Mond MAJOR Therese Naig
	BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATING IN POPULATION GENOMIC SCREENING IN AUSTRALIA: DNA SCREEN SUB-STUDY OF TESTING DECLINERS AND DELAYERS	Dr Jane Tiller
	Screening for Type 1 Diabetes in Children is Feasible and Acceptable to Families: The Australian Type 1 Diabetes National Screening Pilot	Dr Kirstine Bell
1C - New Evidence to Inform Existing Programs	Program Guidelines for Australia's National Lung Cancer Screening Program: a consultative approach	A/Prof Nicole Rankin
	Factors associated with private or public breast cancer screening attendance in Queensland	Dr Tong Li
	Optimising invitation letters to increase bowel cancer screening participation: A qualitative analysis.	Miss Katelyn Collins
Wynyard & St. James	Using patient insights to improve colposcopy experience through tailored information and support	Ms Alice Bastable
	Can history inform evidence-based approaches to innovation in cancer early detection?	Mr PAUL Grogan
	Equitable access for ALL: Evaluating the Alternative Access Model with HealthCare Providers	Dr Joyce Jiang Dr Lanxi Huang
	PARTICIPATION IN CERVICAL SCREENING IN THOSE WHO WERE NEVER- OR UNDER-SCREENED.	Associate Professor Melanie Pereira
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Aftrenoon Tea & Exhibition	Pre-Function Area

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3:30pm – 5:00pm	Grand Central & Plenary Hub	Plenary 3 - Putting participants at the centre of screening Dr Dawn Casey , Deputy CEO, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO)

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Dr Natalie Diepenhorst, Research Fellow, Neuromedicines Discovery Centre, Monash University

Dr Rosemary Wyber, Research Fellow - Cardiovascular Disease, National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, Australian National University

Q&A with keynote speakers

5:00pm –	Outdoor	Welcome Reception
6:30pm	Terrace	

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9:00am – 10:30am	Grand Central & Plenary Hub	Plenary 4 - New and Emerging programs
		<p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Dorota Pawlak, Chief Scientific Officer, T1DCRN, JDRF • Dr Lisa Murphy, Chief Executive Officer, Stroke Foundation • Professor Louise Baur AM, Lead Investigator, CRE Director, Australian Prevention Partnership Centre • Professor Tanya Buchanan, Chief Executive Officer, Dementia Australia <p>Q&A with keynote speakers</p>
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Time	Concurrent Session 2	
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11:00am – 12:30pm		
2A - Genomics Data & Technology Central	A novel model of integrated multi-omic newborn screening in South Australia (NewbornsInSA)	Dr Jovanka King
	Large-scale protein-disease risk association analysis in the UK Biobank: Introducing Olink® Insight	Dr Renu Balyan
	Targeted Melanoma Screening Programs: Role of 3D Total-Body Photography and Artificial Intelligence	Prof Monika Janda
	SCRIPT: An RCT of polygenic risk score-tailored colorectal screening in general practice	Dr Sibel Saya
	Australian preferences for potential genomic risk assessment to inform risk-tailored cancer screening	Alison Pearce
	How data linkage can enhance insights from national cancer screening programs	Ms Kirsten Morgan
	Next-generation proteomic profiling for the development of screening tools for cancer	Dr Renu Balyan
	Training health workers improves early detection of breast cancer in priority populations	Dr Rehana Salam
	Responsive opportunistic hepatitis C and HIV testing for priority populations	Ms Grace Robin Mr Eli Ryan

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2B - Indigenous & Priority Populations Town Hall	Health Equity for ALL: Evaluating the Alternative Access Model for priority populations	Dr Joyce Jiang Dr Lanxi Huang
	Addressing inequities for Māori and Pacific through AAA/AF screening in New Zealand	Dr Karen Bartholomew
	Resources supporting otitis media screening for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.	Ms Lisa Callahan
	Navigating Stigma: Lessons on Co-Creating Liver Cancer Screening Resources for Priority Communities	Ms Charissa Feng Dr Paula Binks
	Population Screening with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Practitioners	Mr Karl Briscoe
2C - Psychosocial & ELSI Wynyard & St. James	Explaining cessation of BreastScreen invitations increases women's informed decision-making beyond 74 years	Dr Jenna Smith
	Anxiety increases the risk of osteoporosis and fracture in Australian women.	Dr Abhijit Chowdhury
	Reducing stigma and its impacts in lung cancer screening	Ms Katie McFadden
	Bowel Cancer Screening and Accessibility for People with Disability: a qualitative investigation.	Ms Nicole Marinucci
	Early insights from priority populations: lung cancer screening and stigma.	Ms Hannah McGinty
	Uncovering cervical screening and HPV knowledge gaps. Insights for increasing screening participation.	Alice Bastable
2D - Non-cancer and Emerging Museum	Obesity, body image and past screening experiences: impacts on breast screening participation	A/Prof Kate McBride
	Home blood pressure measurements are not performed according to guidelines.	Miss Eleanor Clapham
	Getting Australia to a National Liver Screening Program: what does it take?	Ms Charissa Feng
	Adults need support to select validated BP devices for use at home.	Miss Eleanor Clapham
	Gestational diabetes mellitus screenings display seasonal variation in Perth pregnancies	Ms Gemma Burro
	A national survey of stakeholder opinions on a risk-tailored melanoma screening program	Dr Kate L.A. Dunlop
	Healthcare workers' preferences in heart disease screening: A systematic review	Dr Ureni Halahakone
	A Systematic Review of Factors Impacting Late Diagnosis of Chronic Viral Hepatitis	Mrs Maria Ibegu
	Making a Colorectal Cancer Risk Prediction (CRISP) Tool available to the public	Miss Madeline Luke
Wellness my Way: A digitally-enhanced, consumer-led chronic disease prevention model of care	Ms Clare Johnson	
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Lunch & Exhibition	Pre-Function Area

Time	Concurrent Session 3	
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	The Breast ROSA Project 2023 Recommendations and Roadmap – one year later.	A/Prof Carolyn Nickson

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3A - New Evidence to Inform Existing Programs 2 Central	INITIAL EXPERIENCE WITH UNIVERSAL ELIGIBILITY FOR SELF-COLLECTED HPV CERVICAL SCREENING IN AUSTRALIA	Dr Farhana Sultana
	Early detection of prostate cancer. A review of Australian Guidelines.	A/Prof David Smith
	The impact of population-based breast density notification: a screening program-embedded RCT	Dr Brooke Nickel
	Tomosynthesis Versus Mammography in Women with a Family History of Breast Cancer	Dr Tong Li
	Maximizing Recruitment for Under-Screened Populations in Queensland's National Bowel Cancer Screening Program	Ms Kate Baker
	Preferences for participating in HPV self-collection: National survey of cervical screen-eligible people	Ms Claire Bavor
3B - Cultural & Linguistic Diversity Town Hall	Health professionals' perspectives on designing and implementing innovative models of HPV self-collection	Ms Claire Bavor
	Building effective evaluations for cancer screening in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities	Ms Angelina Belluomo
	Building Capacity of Bicultural Workers: Engaging Under-screened Communities in Cancer Screening	Ms Alana Sadeghi
	Towards Equity: Improving cervical screening uptake in Arabic, Cantonese, and Mandarin Communities	Ms Alice Bastable
	Why tailored screening campaigns for multicultural communities are necessary and highly effective.	Ms Catriona Bastian
	New eligibility, new opportunities: Exploring Bowel Screening profiles in the 45-49 cohort	Mrs Kerryann Wyatt
	Curiosity, Community, Change: Approaching participation barriers in culturally and linguistically diverse populations.	Ms Jade Bridgeman
3C - Novel & Emerging Types of Screening Wynyard & St. James	Enhancing MAFLD Screening: Outcomes of a Comprehensive Clinical Audit in General Practice	Ms Sally Castle
	Identification of Frailty in General Practice Data: Validation of a Frailty Flag	Dr Natasha Reid
	The Australian Pancreatic High-Risk Screening (APRISE) Study	A/prof Andrew Metz
	Routine liver cancer screening for metabolic-associated fatty liver disease: benefits and cost-effectiveness	Dr Joachim Worthington
	Stakeholder perspectives on a novel multi-omics newborn screening model (NewbornsInSA)	Dr Jovanka King
	Screening for Liver Cancer in the NT – The “Liver One-Stop Shop”	Dr Paula Binks
3D – Cancer Museum	Skin cancer mortality and survival trends: population subgroup analyses for targeted screening	Dr Claudia Slimings
	BARRIERS AND FACILITATORS FOR INCREASING CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING IN TUVALU	Ms Gianna Robbers
	'That's an informed choice': Women's mammography screening - A social class analysis	Mrs Samantha Batchelor
	Balancing Cancer Stage, Interval Cancers, and Overdiagnosis in Breast Screening	Dr Pietro Procopio
	Early detection of breast cancer in women 40-49: a need for review	Dr Louiza Velentzis A/Prof Carolyn Nickson
	Enhancing Cancer Screening Access for Priority Populations through an Innovative Outreach Mode	Ms Ana Romero Ms Athena Mumbulla
	Connecting with cultural ambassadors to increase engagement with bowel cancer screening	Ms Leanne Spano
	Providing equitable access to breastscreens for women in a Melbourne custodial setting	Ms Krithika Kumar Ms Madeline Cairns
	Recommendations to improve bowel cancer screening equity and access for rural populations.	Ms Nicole Marinucci
	How to Apply the Guardrails of AI in Health Systems and Services	Mr Mark Nevin
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Aftersnoon Tea & Exhibition	Pre-Function Area

Time	Room	Session
3:30pm – 5:00pm	Grand Central & Plenary Hub	<p>Closing Plenary – Future directions of screening and new technologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professor Ruth Etzioni, Professor, Public Health Sciences Division, Fred Hutch Cancer Centre• Professor Paul Lacaze, Head, Public Health Genomics, School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Monash University• Associate Professor Zongyuan Ge, Department of Data Science & AI, Monash University <p>Q&A with keynote speakers</p>
