

# MEET THE GAMECHANGERS



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Control, NSW



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Climate activist  
student who defeated  
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Care' landmark decision  
in Federal Court



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Kids Institute and  
Distinguished  
Professorial Fellow, Uni  
of WA



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Proud Kulkalaig woman  
from Torres Strait and  
Seed Mob (Indigenous  
youth environmental  
organisation)



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Child and Adolescent  
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Sydney Children's Hospital, NSW



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## ACAHA 2022

Academy of Child and Adolescent  
Health Conference

Thursday 7th Afternoon – Saturday 9th April 2022

Doltone House - Darling Island, Pyrmont, Sydney



ACAHA2022 will be **COVID-19 safe**



- Strictly limited places (ensuring safe physical distancing while enabling social interaction)
- The venue accommodates >5 times our target attendance numbers (based on 2m<sup>2</sup> rule)
- Attendees fully vaccinated & adhering to COVID rules

We understand that these are uncertain times! If unforeseen restrictions are imposed after you register, we will refund minus \$30 admin fee.

## THURSDAY 7TH APRIL

14:00 **Registration**

### Workshops

15:00 - **Student/Trainee Workshop A: Unbamboozling developmental stages** - assessing babies and children of different ages

16:00 - **Student/Trainee Workshop B: The hard conversations** - communicating with parents in distress, breaking bad news and red flags

15:30 - **Workshop C: Trauma-informed care for Kids** - recognition and creating therapeutic environments (Karen Zwi & Safa Majidi)

17:00 **Workshops closing**

# FRIDAY 8TH APRIL

08:00	Registration
08:30	Welcome to country and conference opening
	with Aunty Ann Weldon
	First Nations Health
	Chair: Prof Kelvin Kong First Aboriginal Surgeon, NSW
	Dr Ngaree Blow AFR 100 Women of Influence 2019 and Public Health Advanced Trainee, VIC
	Dr Dana Slape First Aboriginal Dermatologist, NSW
	Dr Dennis Bonney First Aboriginal Neonatologist, NT
10:00	Morning Tea
10:30	Putting the Panic into Pandemic, A Hypothetical
	Chair: Prof Tom Snelling ID Physician, Children's Hospital at Westmead; Director of Health and Clinical Analytics Lab, Sydney School of Public Health, NSW
	Prof Kamalini Lokuge OAM Lead, Humanitarian Health Research Initiative (ANU) and member Australia's National COVID-19 HRAC 2020-2021, ACT
	Prof David Isaacs Infectious Disease Physician and Clinical Ethics, Children's Hospital at Westmead, NSW
	Dr Brendan McMullan Infectious Diseases Physician, Sydney Children's Hospital, NSW
	Dr Dawn Casey PSM FAHA Deputy CEO, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), ACT
11:45	ACAH Annual General Meeting
12:15	Lunch

13:00	Obesity Pandemic Solutions
	Chair: Patrick Walker Paediatric Trainee, RCH Melbourne, VIC
	Prof Louise Baur AM President-Elect World Federation Obesity, Professor of Paediatrics USYD, NSW
	Dr James Muecke AM Australian of the Year 2020 and Advocate for preventing Type 2 Diabetes, SA
14:00	Australian Human Rights Commission
	Chair: Prof. Elizabeth Elliott AM, Usyd Professor
	Anne Hollonds National Children's Commissioner
15:00	Afternoon tea
15:30	Oral Abstract Prize Presentations
	Sally Chen, "Childhood pneumonia in humanitarian emergencies..."
	Pathma Joseph, "Closing the Loop in Paediatric Medication Management!..."
	Pathma Joseph, "...Repurposed medications for childhood neurological indications..."
16:00	The Great Debate - Working in Healthcare: Better Now than Then? <i>Battle of the Generations!</i>
	Moderator: Prof Kim Oates AO Emeritus Professor of Paediatrics, Previous CEO of the Children's Hospital at Westmead, NSW
	Prof David Celermajer AO Professor of Cardiology, USYD & World Debating Champion, NSW
	Associate Prof Annie Bye Senior Paediatric Neurologist at Sydney Children's Hospital and Conjoint Associate Professor University of NSW
	Dr Angie Morrow Paediatric Rehabilitation Physician, Children's Hospital at Westmead, NSW
	Dr Ashfaque Quadir Advanced Trainee, Children's Hospital at Westmead, NSW
	Dr Patrick Walker Paediatric Trainee, RCH Melbourne, VIC
	Dr Micah Vincent Advanced Trainee, Sydney Children's Hospital Network, NSW
17:00	Closing remarks

# SATURDAY 9TH APRIL

08:30	<b>Acknowledgement of country</b> <b>Advocacy "How-To" Guide</b>  Chair: Annemarie Christie, Director SCHP  Prof Simon Chapman AO Emeritus Professor in Public Health USYD, Global Advocate for Tobacco Control, NSW	13:45	<b>Child and Adolescent Champion Award</b> <b>Announcements and Closing Remarks</b>  Jenny Proimos, ACAH Chair
09:30	<b>Adolescent Trans Healthcare in Australia: Moving Towards Mainstream Service Provision</b>  Chair: Jenny Proimos, ACAH Chair  Dr Michelle Telfer Director Dept Adolescent Medicine, RCH Melbourne, VIC  Prof Rachel Skinner USYD & Dep Dir. NHMRC CRE Adol Health, NSW	14:00	<b>Afternoon Tea and move to Parkview room</b>
10:30	<b>Morning Tea</b>	14:30	<b>Student Prize Presentations</b> <i>Presentations will be held in Parkview room</i>  Jane Wijaya, "Risk Factors For COVID-19 Mortality in Paediatric Populations: A Scoping Review"  Lily Corboy, "Identifying the facial features of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder using automated analysis of photographs: A narrative review"  Carrina Lee, "Rapid molecular viral testing for Hospital Acquired Infections in the Paediatric Emergency Department"  Claire Breidahl, "The Risk of Intensive Care Admission and Mortality in Neonates of Migrants: a Systematic Review"
11:00	<b>Higher Degree Prize Presentations</b>  Al-Rahim Habib, "...Artificial intelligence to classify ear disease and predict hearing loss..."  David Lui, "Evaluation of Screening Tool for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder..."  Jack DeLacy, "Ear health and hearing in urban Aboriginal children"  Bridie Osman, "Are adolescent-perceived parental control and monitoring associated with adolescent dietary intake?"  Bithi Roy, "Types of Childhood Stroke: A Population-Based Study in Australia"  Laurel Mimmo, "...Nurses' perceptions of good experiences of care for inpatient children and young people with intellectual disability"	15:45	<b>Trainee Prize Presentations</b>  Natalie Evans, "...Mighty Children psychoeducational caregiver support group program on quality of life for families caring for children living with disability in Afghanistan..."  Elise D'Abaco, "Clinician Perspectives on a Community of Practice Model for Child Mental Health: A Qualitative Study"  Jessica Wong, "The Rise of Anorexia Nervosa and the COVID-19 Pandemic"  Llewella Butland, "Pervasive Refusal Syndrome symptoms among children held in the Nauru Immigration Detention Centre"  Sophie Wiegele, "The epidemiology of superficial Streptococcal A (skin and throat) infections in Australia: A systematic review."
12:00	<b>Lunch</b>	17:00	<b>Student and Trainee Prize Announcements</b>
12:45	<b>Climate Change and Children</b>  Chair: Prof. Elizabeth Elliott AM  Prof Fiona Stanley AC Patron Telethon Kids Inst, Distinguished Professorial Fellow, Uni WA  Ava Princi Climate activist student ('Duty of Care' landmark decision in Federal Court)  Tish King Proud Kulkalaig woman from Torres Strait and Seed Mob (Indigenous youth environmental organisation)  Dr Kim Loo GP & NSW Chair of Doctors for the Environment Australia and Member NSW Council for AMA  Dr Cybele Dey Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, Sydney Children's Hospitals Network, NSW		



# ACAH 2022

## GAME CHANGERS IN CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH



Academy of Child and Adolescent Health Conference (ACAH2022)

**7 – 9 APRIL 2022, DOLTONE HOUSE  
DARLING ISLAND, PYRMONT, SYDNEY**



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## WHAT IS THE ACADEMY?

*The Academy of Child and Adolescent Health (ACAH) promotes the health and wellbeing of every newborn, child and young person*

The Academy aims to achieve this by serving as:

1

A leading organisation for child and adolescent healthcare professionals in our region to network and collaborate.

2

A vehicle for mentoring opportunities and research links as well as for best practice education and training.

3

An innovative platform for healthcare professionals to advocate for the health and wellbeing of children and adolescents in our region.

## HISTORY OF THE ACAH

ACAH was incorporated in December 2016 and launched by Professor Quentin Bryce, former Governor General of Australia, in March 2018.

ACAH was established with funding support from the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP), but is separate from, and has a different function to, the RACP. ACAH is a home for all healthcare professionals, across disciplines and across the region.

Board membership spans Australia and spans disciplines. There has been a groundswell of goodwill and support from the child and adolescent health communities across the region, as shown by our current list of affiliations.

### ACAH affiliated organisations and collaborators:

- ▶ Australian Association for Adolescent Health
- ▶ Australian Paediatric Orthopaedic Society
- ▶ Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand
- ▶ Australian Paediatric Research Network
- ▶ Child Health and Rights
- ▶ Australasian Paediatric Endocrine Group
- ▶ Australian and New Zealand Paediatric Nephrology Association
- ▶ Human Genetics Society of Australasia
- ▶ Australian and New Zealand Neonatal Network
- ▶ Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth



## THE ACAH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The first annual conference was held in Adelaide in September 2019. It was an enormous success, with delegates from six of Australia's states and territories and more than 20 international delegates.

There was a focus on disadvantaged and vulnerable children, including refugee children, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and trans youth.

Originally planned for October 2020, the next conference was postponed by two years due to COVID-19. In Sydney 2022, we anticipate 150-200 delegates (limited by social-distancing restrictions), including paediatricians, nurses, allied health professionals, basic and advanced trainees, public health and mental health experts, students across all disciplines.

ACAH2022 will follow a strict COVID-19 mitigation plan. **All attendees must have completed at least two doses of vaccination.**

## ACAH2022 CONFERENCE

*Game Changers in Child and Adolescent Health*

### GOAL



To educate and inspire health professionals, researchers and students with a passion for child and adolescent health.

### TARGET AUDIENCE



Healthcare professionals across all disciplines involved with healthcare for children and young people.

### OPPORTUNITIES



Plenary sessions, a diverse range of speakers, dedicated sessions for students and trainees, practical skills sessions and workshops.



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- ▶ Waterfront location with versatile space with cabaret seating for comfort and physical distancing
- ▶ Spacious waterfront outdoor promenade overlooking the harbour (with road and water taxi access)
- ▶ Contemporary event space with floor to ceiling windows providing natural light
- ▶ State of the art Audio Visual (AV) lighting and staging infrastructure
- ▶ Culmination of elegant design and social responsibility
- ▶ Disabled access
- ▶ Doltone House has a COVID-19 safety management plan in place



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## ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

### WORKSHOP C: TRAUMA INFORMED CARE FOR KIDS

#### PROFESSOR KAREN ZWI OAM

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Karen is a Community Paediatrician with academic expertise in Population Child Health and leadership roles at Sydney Children's Hospitals Network, where she is Clinical Director of Priority Populations. Karen has led service development for vulnerable populations, predominantly refugee and Aboriginal children, that engage communities, produces improved health outcomes and transforms health policy locally and globally. She has a strong research and advocacy track record promoting equity and resilience, and scaling up innovative and effective child health programs. Her career objectives strongly align with the principles of social engagement and global impact. Her international experience includes



documenting the impact of HIV on childhood mortality in South Africa and publishing one of the first ever cost-effectiveness studies of mother to child transmission interventions in low and middle income countries, developing community based and highly engaging programs for children in South Africa and Aboriginal children in Sydney, and advocating globally for the rights of refugee and asylum seeking children. The Trauma informed care for kids workshop will cover how trauma can affect the developing child, how clinicians can recognise the symptoms of trauma and the importance of creating a therapeutic service environment.

#### SAFA MAJIDI

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Safa Majidi has an educational background in Psychology and Global Health and has worked in the areas of health system reform, mental health, patient empowerment, diversity and inclusion and youth development. Safa currently works in the role of Priority Populations Service Reform Lead at Sydney Children's Hospitals Network, focused on the development and refinement of integrated models of care and systems changes that increase equity and access for vulnerable populations. She is also engaged in research related to improving the provision of prioritised and enhanced access to children and young people from culturally and linguistically diverse and refugee backgrounds.



She has spent several years directing educational programs for diverse university and graduate students across Australia and New Zealand that build capacity for contributing to discourses about social change and development at the professional, community and national levels. Outside of professional work, Safa is intensely involved in grass-roots community building, with a particular focus on the empowerment of migrant families to take charge of their own intellectual, social and economic development and the empowerment of a groups of teens striving to do social action projects in their local communities.

## FIRST NATIONS HEALTH

### DR DANA SLAPE

Dr Dana Slape is a Fellow of the Australasian College of Dermatologists and graduate of Western Sydney University. She is a descendant of the Larrakia People of Darwin and based in Dharawal country in Southwest Sydney. Dana provides routine services to the adults, children, and families of urban, regional, and rural/remote communities including to Royal Darwin Hospital and Katherine Hospital in the Northern Territory, the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network of NSW, and South-West Sydney where she is a Staff Specialist at Liverpool and Campbelltown Hospitals. Her special interests are infectious and complex medical dermatology which disproportionately impact Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. Recently, she has started commenced a PhD in access to dermatological care for adults, adolescents and forensic patients living in incarceration. Dana is fortunate to engage with many teaching and mentoring opportunities and has also held national leadership roles involved with improving health equity policy. Dana's is Australia's first Aboriginal dermatologist and looks forward to being part of an innumerable network of Indigenous medical and surgical specialists in the future.



### DR DENNIS BONNEY

Dennis is a Wongai man. His mob are from the Goldfields of Western Australia. Dennis studied medicine at the University of Western Australia. He has worked in hospitals from WA, SA to Queensland, the chilly Kiwi city of Christchurch and now in the balmy Top End town of Darwin. He has completed specialist training as a General Paediatrician and Neonatologist. Dennis and his wife, have 3 boisterous boys that keep them busy. They are usually seen running after them on the beaches of Darwin or playing basketball with them at the local courts.



### PROFESSOR KELVIN KONG

Kelvin is a proud Worimi man. He provides ear nose and throat specialist care for paediatric and adult patients mainly in the Hunter New England region of NSW, but is fortunate to help provide care in many Aboriginal lands across Australia. He completed his fellowship with RACS in ENT specialty training as the first identified Aboriginal surgeon. Kelvin has been active in serving the community in varying different roles. He was recently awarded the 2021 Australian Society for Medical Research Medal at the National Press Club. Inspired and supported by his family, Professor Kong continues to advocate for equality in health delivery in Australia and works to give back to the community.



## DR NGAREE BLOW

Dr Ngaree Blow is a Noonuccal, Goreng-Goreng and Yorta-Yorta woman currently completing her advanced training as a Public Health Physician. She works as the Director of First Nations Health for medical education at the University of Melbourne as well the Specialist Medical Engagement Advisor for the Vaccination program for the Department of Health in Victoria. Ngaree is also a board member of the Australian Indigenous Doctors Association (AIDA) and has been involved in many First Nations health, research and education roles.



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## PUTTING THE PANIC INTO PANDEMIC, A HYPOTHETICAL

### PROFESSOR KAMALINI LOKUGE OAM

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Associate Professor Kamalini Lokuge, OAM, HOSM, leads the Humanitarian Health Research Initiative at the Australian National University. She is a public health physician and epidemiologist and has worked for Médecins Sans Frontières, the World Health Organisation and the International Committee of the Red Cross over the past 25 years in a range of humanitarian emergencies. She has advised State and Federal governments on their response to COVID-19, and was a member of Australia's National COVID-19 Health and Research Advisory Committee from April 2020 to October 2021. Dr Lokuge and her team conduct operational research in partnership with communities and service providers to inform effective health service delivery and prevention.



### DR BRENDAN MCMULLAN

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Brendan McMullan is a paediatric infectious diseases physician and microbiologist. He works at Sydney Children's Hospitals Network and is also a senior research associate at the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

He is co-chair of the Australasian Society for Infectious Diseases paediatric special interest group, ANZPID, and co-chair of the National COVID-19 Clinical Evidence Taskforce's Paediatric and Adolescent Care Panel. Brendan is passionate about improving infection management and antimicrobial use in children.



### DR DAWN CASEY PSM FAHA, DEPUTY CEO NACCHO

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Dawn Casey is a Tagalaka traditional owner from Nth Qld. Dawn joined the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation in 2016 and currently co-chairs the COVID-19 Indigenous Advisory Committee. Dawn has been Director of the Western Australian, Powerhouse and National Museums of Australia. Dawn was responsible for managing the design and construction of the National Museum of Australia and the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies through a world first project delivery alliance contract. Dawn has held part-time positions as Chair of Indigenous Land Corporation and Indigenous Business Australia. Her career includes key executive positions in the



Public Sector, including: Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Indigenous Affairs, Cultural Heritage and Overseas Aid and Development. Dawn has been awarded; three Honorary Doctorates (QLD, Charles Sturt, and Macquarie Universities), Commonwealth Government's Public Service Medal (PSM), Australian Government's Centenary Medal, three Australia Day Public Service Medals, the Australian Institute of Architects' Clem Cummings Award, a Fellow of the Australian Academy of the Humanities (FAHA) and in 2021 the Sidney Sax Public Health Medal.

## PROFESSOR DAVID ISAACS

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David is a clinical professor working in the infectious diseases and refugee services at the Children's Hospital at Westmead. He is one of the founders of the Health Assessment for Refugee Kids (HARK) Clinic at the Children's Hospital Westmead and the Clinical Ethics service. He has a post-graduate diploma in bioethics and has published extensively on ethical aspects of immunisation.

He is Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Paediatrics and Child Health. Outside of his clinical interests, he was the first paediatrician whistle blower highlighting the plight of children detained on Nauru and contributing to the successful Kidsoffnauru campaign.



## PROFESSOR TOM SNELLING

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Tom is a clinical scientist, Director of Health and Clinical Analytics in the School of Public Health at the University of Sydney, and an infectious diseases physician in the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network. His interest is in application of decision theory to research design, and his research has covered a range of clinical domains, including vaccination and vaccine preventable diseases, Aboriginal child health, allergy, renal disease, hepatitis, and cystic fibrosis. More recently his team has focused on COVID-19, designing and implementing several treatment and prevention trials and developing tools for decision support. He is a member of ATAGI and the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee, and a member of the Cochrane Evidence Taskforce for COVID-19.



## AUSTRALIAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

### ANNE HOLLANDS

Anne Hollonds is Australia's National Children's Commissioner. Formerly Director of the Australian Institute of Family Studies, for 23 years Anne was Chief Executive of government and non-government organisations focussed on research, policy and practice in child and family wellbeing. As a psychologist Anne has worked extensively in frontline practice, including child protection, domestic and family violence, mental health, child and family counselling, parenting education, family law counselling, and community development. Anne currently contributes to several expert advisory groups, including the Family Law Council, Australian Child Maltreatment Study, NSW Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Council, National Plan Advisory Group (NPAG), and Australian National Child Health and Development Atlas Oversight Group.



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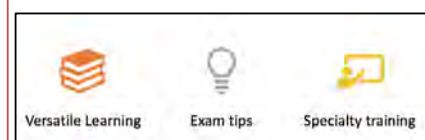


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### PROFESSOR LOUISE BAUR AM

Louise Baur holds the Chair of Child & Adolescent Health at the University of Sydney and is a senior consultant paediatrician at the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network where she is an active member – and former Head - of Weight Management Services. She has made research contributions in many aspects of child and adolescent obesity, covering prevention, management, complications, and approaches to health service delivery. She is an NHMRC Leadership Fellow and is Director of the Australian NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence in the Early Prevention of Obesity in Childhood-Translate (EPOCH-Translate CRE).



Louise is President-Elect of the World Obesity Federation, an international NGO representing professional associations and patient advocacy groups from >70 countries. She is a Founding Fellow of the Australian Academy of Health & Medical Sciences. In 2010 Louise was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for service to medicine and to the community.

### DR JAMES MUECKE AM

James is an Adelaide ophthalmologist who was Australian of the year in 2020. He graduated with Honors from Adelaide University Medical School and undertook Fellowships in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery at Salisbury District Hospital and Ocular Oncology at Moorfields Eye Hospital in UK. He was a Visiting Consultant and Senior Lecturer at Royal Adelaide Hospital (1988-2020) and Women's & Children's Hospital (1988-2016), establishing the Ophthalmic Oncology Units at both centres. In 1999, with WCH, James established a national service for genetic testing for retinoblastoma and von Hippel Lindau Syndrome. James also has a keen interest in the field of medical retina, including diabetes-related eye



disease. James has taught in ten countries in Asia and is the founding Chairman of Sight For All, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to fighting blindness in Australia, particularly in Aboriginal communities and in the low income countries ([www.sightforall.org](http://www.sightforall.org)). James was Australian of the Year for 2020 for his 32 years of humanitarian work. He is using this powerful platform to raise awareness of our poor diet, laden with sugar, which is devastating the health of Australians.

#### *Awards and honors:*

- Appointed Lieutenant Governor of South Australia in January 2022
- Australian of the Year, 2020, South Australian of the Year, 2019.
- President's Leadership Award for blindness prevention in developing countries - Australian Medical Association, 2013.
- Rural Health and Wellbeing Award for service to Aboriginal eye health in South Australia, 2012.
- Outstanding Service to the Prevention of Blindness Award - Asia Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, 2011.

## GREAT DEBATE: WORKING IN HEALTHCARE BETTER THEN OR NOW?

### MODERATOR

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#### Professor Emeritus Kim Oates AO

Kim Oates is a general paediatrician who has been around for a while. He's had various jobs, starting as a resident at the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children in 1969 and leaving in 2006 after 7 years as the hospital's CEO. In between he's been Professor of Paediatrics at Sydney University and lots of other positions. He has a passion for spotting and encouraging future health leaders, making health care safer and promoting patients and families as partners in their care.



### MATURE TEAM

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#### Professor David Celermajer AO

David is the Scandrett Professor of Cardiology, University of Sydney and Director of Adult Congenital Heart Services at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital in Sydney. In 1983, he won the University Medal, Faculty of Medicine, University of Sydney and was a Rhodes Scholar. He was World Debating Champion in the same year (Princeton) and the World Debating and Public Speaking Champion in 1984. He has been a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science since 2006, and is a prolific publisher with an H-index well over 100 and over 50,000 citations.



#### Associate Professor Ann Bye AM

Ann is a Senior Paediatric Neurologist at Sydney Children's Hospital, past Head of Department, and has Conjoint Associate Professor at the University of New South Wales. She has an MD in Aspects of Childhood Epilepsy. She has an extensive portfolio of research into paediatric epilepsy, with over 90 original research articles published in international and national peer reviewed journals. Research topics include neonatal seizures, neuropsychological and language profiles in paediatric epilepsy, MRI correlates of childhood epilepsy syndromes, quality of life in paediatric epilepsy, childhood epilepsy with centrottemporal spikes, temporal lobe dysplasia and associated pathologies in an adult and paediatric surgical cohort, genetic aspects of epileptic encephalopathy and education of epilepsy to patients and medical staff. Ann has supervised 10 higher degree students. She has been the recipient of NHMRC, Ramaciotti Foundation, Brain Foundation and Sydney Children Hospital grants. Ann has a major commitment to families, their wellbeing and information provision demonstrated clinically and through research. Together with Dr Rob Slade she created a website-PENNSW a fantastic resource on epilepsy for clinicians and families. Associate Professor Ann Bye has served as Vice-President of the Epilepsy Society of Australia. In 2016 she was awarded the Order of Australia, AM.



### Dr Angie Morrow

Dr Angie Morrow is a paediatric rehabilitation physician at the Children's Hospital at Westmead. She completed her early training in Ireland and the UK in the '90's, where hard working, efficient junior doctors ran the public hospitals and consultants made occasional appearances between golfing commitments. Dr Morrow was not expecting to spend quite so much of her senior years supervising the young folk but finds it best not to leave the current generation of trainee doctors unattended for prolonged periods. Dr Morrow loves young doctors but can never finish a whole one.



## YOUNG TEAM

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### Dr Ash Quadir

Ash is a newly minted General Paediatrician, currently working towards his second fellowship in Paediatric Intensive Care. He has been Chief Resident at the Children's Hospital at Westmead as well as the Palliative Care fellow. He has a keen interest in clinical leadership which has led to him being selected for further opportunities through HETI and Harvard Medical School. He is passionate about medical education and patient advocacy and hopes to one day contribute to the exciting "game-changing" paediatric landscape in Australia.



### Dr Micah Vincent

Micah graduated from The University of Edinburgh in 2012 and underwent initial training in Scotland, UK before moving to Australia in 2015. He is currently an Advanced Trainee in General Paediatrics and is undertaking his training through the Sydney Children's Hospital Network. As well as caring deeply about the care of his patients, he is passionate about medical education and the wellbeing of his colleagues. He has been a Deputy Chief Resident Medical Officer since 2018 and is a trainee representative on the NSW Health/HETI Greater Easter Network Governance Committee. He is also a member of the SCH Wellbeing Committee. He is a Conjoint Associate Lecturer at UNSW and is currently completing a Masters by Research in Health Professions Education. He is actively involved in teaching as well as paediatric resuscitation training for students and doctors.



### Dr Patrick Walker

Patrick is a paediatric registrar and part time global child health researcher from Melbourne. He is passionate about child health both in Australia and around the world, and is looking forward to a career spent between the bedside and his research desk (read: kitchen table). He is particularly interested in bringing simple healthcare solutions to the children that need them, and breaking down barriers to good care. Outside of work, he prefers to spend his time sitting at a piano playing one tune or another, or with his nose in a novel.



## ADVOCACY 'HOW TO' GUIDE

### DR ANNEMARIE CHRISTIE

Dr Annemarie Christie is the Director of the Sydney Child Health Program (SCHP). Annemarie established a unique primary care paediatric service in northwest Sydney and has been involved in her local community as an advocate for children's health. Annemarie has been a volunteer community coach for young adults to develop personal leadership skills. She has worked with representatives of local Government, State and Federal Governments to improve outcomes for women and children in the community.



### PROFESSOR SIMON CHAPMAN AO

Simon is Emeritus Professor in Public Health at the University of Sydney. Across 45 years, he has been a prominent researcher and advocate for tobacco control, gun control, wind farms and renewable energy. He was foundation deputy editor, then editor for the British Medical Journal's specialist journal Tobacco Control. In 1997 he was awarded the WHO's World No Tobacco Day Medal and in 2003 the American Cancer Society's Luther Terry Award for outstanding individual leadership in tobacco control. In 2008 he was awarded the NSW Premier's Cancer Researcher of the Year medal and in 2013 he was made an Officer in the Order of Australia for his contributions to public health, and named Australian Skeptic of the Year. He is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Social Sciences and an honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health of Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom. The Sydney Morning Herald named him one of Sydney's 100 most influential people (2008 & 2012). In 2014, he was deeply honoured when Australia's leading right wing think-tank, the Institute of Public Affairs, named him one of Australia's all time "opponents of freedom" (Ivan Milat, Joh Bjelke-Petersen and Fred Nile did not make the list).



## ADOLESCENT TRANS HEALTHCARE IN AUSTRALIA: MOVING TOWARDS MAINSTREAM

### ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MICHELLE TELFER

Associate Professor Michelle Telfer is a Paediatrician and Adolescent Medicine Physician and is currently Director of the Department of Adolescent Medicine at The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) Melbourne. She is also the Director of the RCH Gender Service and has been instrumental in the development and expansion of the clinical and research programs amidst rising demand for trans-specific health care in children and adolescents. As an advocate for improved access to medical treatment, Michelle was central to the achievement of federal legal reform and her efforts have led to transgender young people now being able to access hormone and surgical treatment without the need for approval by the Family Court of Australia. She is also first author of the inaugural Australian clinical guidelines for trans and gender diverse children and adolescents which was endorsed through an editorial in The Lancet and was personally profiled for her efforts in the field in The Lancet Child and Adolescent Health in 2019.



## PROFESSOR RACHEL SKINNER

Rachel Skinner is a Professor in Paediatrics, in the Faculty of Medicine and Health, Sydney University, and Deputy Director of Wellbeing, Health and Youth ([why.org.au](http://why.org.au)), a National Health and Medical Research Council funded Centre of Research Excellence in Adolescent Health. She is a paediatrician specialist in Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine at the Children's Hospital Westmead in Sydney, and is NSW Ministry of Health's Senior Clinical Advisor in Youth Health.

She provides clinical care to trans and gender diverse adolescents attending the paediatric gender service at the Children's Hospital Westmead. She also works collaboratively with other researchers, clinicians and community organisations around the country, to build the research evidence base for effective interventions which support trans adolescents have healthy futures.



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## CLIMATE CHANGE AND CHILDREN

### PROFESSOR ELIZABETH ELLIOTT AM

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Named Australian of the Year in 2003, Fiona is a vocal advocate for the needs of children and their families. Professor Stanley studied medicine at the University of Western Australia and trained in the United Kingdom and USA in epidemiology, biostatistics and public health. In 2004, Professor Stanley was honoured as a "National Living Treasure" by the National Trust. She is the UNICEF Australia Ambassador for Early Childhood Development. Professor Stanley has ~350 published papers in scientific journals and has served on the Prime Minister's Science, Engineering and Innovation Council, the Federal Government's Social Inclusion Board and the WA State Government's Indigenous Implementation Board.



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She is a passionate advocate, both nationally and internationally, for the importance of addressing socio-economic determinants of child health, particularly for priority populations such as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. She is the patron of the Telethon Kids Institute and an Ambassador for the Australian National Development Index, aiming for equitable and sustainable wellbeing rather than GDP alone to measure societal progress. ACAH is excited to have Fiona join our panel of gamechangers in the climate change and children space.

### TISH KING

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Tishiko (she/her) is a proud Kulkalaig woman from the Island of Masig, Kulkalgal Nation of Zenadth Kes. Tish is the Campaigns Director at Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network and collaborates on the campaign Our Islands Our Home as an organiser. Based in Naarm, Tish is spirited about sharing culture and amplifying social inequality and the rights of First Nations people. During her studies in Ocean Science on the Gold Coast, Tish became passionate and actively involved with grassroots environmental groups and rallies across Australia and overseas. With experience across different industries at CSIRO Oceans and Atmosphere and the exploration and minerals industry, Tish brings a diverse perspective of First Nations and environmental justice.



## AVA PRINCI

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Ava Princi is an 18-year-old climate activist and law student. She was one of 8 litigants in the landmark *Sharma v Minister for Environment* duty of care case, which was unfortunately overturned on appeal before the Federal Court but certainly started an important conversation.

She balances her activism work with a chronic pain condition. She is passionate about justice after conflict and hopes to be an international genocide lawyer.



## DR KIM LOO

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The child of Buddhist parents, GP Dr Kim Loo learned early to tread lightly on the earth. Now, in addition to working with patients in communities in Western Sydney, she actively advocates for a sustainable future through her work on the Council of the AMA (NSW), as Chair of Doctors for the Environment Australia (NSW), and her many other involvements.

Kim is directing her effort towards a cohesive, positive narrative which inspires people to reimagine what the future could be, one in which all sections of society can step ahead into the next phase with hope. To achieve this vision, Kim believes we need credible emissions targets and policy that actively supports the transition to a sustainable, clean-energy economy and society.



## DR CYBELE DEY

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Cybele is a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist at The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network and, by telehealth, to rural and remote areas of NSW. She is a member of Doctors for the Environment (Co-chairing the Mental Health Special Interest Group); Psychology for a Safe Climate; and the Climate and Health Alliance.

She Co-chairs the Climate Psychiatry NSW Branch group with colleagues from the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists. Her research interests include the impact of heat on Child and Adolescent self-harm. For more, see her profile in the AMA NSW Doctor magazine (January 2022) and the DEA "Report: How Climate Change affects Mental Health in Australia" (October 2021) plus her socials!



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