

NZHPA Mental Health Special Interest Group Seminar

9-10th August 2025, Horne Lecture Theatre, Level 12 Ward Support Block, Wellington Regional Hospital

Programme

Saturday 9 th August 2025	
8.00 am	Registration Tea and coffee on arrival.
8.30 am	Welcome & Opening Koro Meke, Kaumatua, Keta Rima Te Ahuru, MHAIDS; Harriet Sands, MHSIG Convenor; Brian Almand, MHSIG Committee
8.45 am	Keynote Speaker Mental Health and Addiction Treatment with First Australians Kate Fulford – Associate Director, Strategy and Clinical Innovation, Pramana Medical Centre, Perth, Australia
9.45am	Clozapine Update Professor Susanna Every-Palmer Head of Department, Department of Psychological Medicine University of Otago, Wellington, Te Whare Wānanga o Otāgo ki Poneke
10.30 am	Morning Tea
11.00 am	Update from the National Chief for Mental Health and Addictions Doctor Leeanne Fisher, National Chief Mental Health and Addiction, Health New Zealand, Te Whatu Ora
11.30 am	PHARMAC, On minimising the impact of pharmaceutical product shortages, Marinda Van Zyl-Green, Contract Manager Team Leader and Ashleigh Kleinsman, Therapeutic Group Manager – Mental Health
12.00 pm	Lunch
1.00 pm	Keynote Speaker Establishing new roles for pharmacists in non-traditional health sectors Kate Fulford
2.00 pm	Deprescribing Marleen van Oeveren, Mental Health Pharmacist, Ashburn Clinic, Dunedin
3.00 pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm	Open Forum: Clozapine in the Community Rebecca Lukey, Pharmacist Facilitator - Mental Health and Addictions Nelson Marlborough & Linda McKay, Advanced Clinical Pharmacist – Mental Health Addictions & Intellectual Disabilities Service Dunedin, and Topics for General Discussion - chaired by Harriet Sands
4.15 pm	Close Day One of Seminar, NZHPA MHSIG Members to stay for AGM
4.30 pm	NZHPA Mental Health SIG AGM for NZHPA Mental Health SIG members only
5.15 pm	Close

Sunday 10 th August 2025	
8.30 am	Tea and coffee on arrival
9.00 am	Keynote Speaker Addiction and ADHD Kate Fulford – Associate Director, Strategy and Clinical Innovation, Pramana Medical Centre, Perth, Australia
10.00 am	A word from the Minister of Mental Health The Honourable Matt Doocey, Minister for Mental Health NZ & Associate Minister of Health NZ
10.30 am	Morning Tea
11.00 am	Methamphetamine Addiction Dr Sam McBride, Consultant Psychiatrist, Director MHAIDS Alcohol & Drug Services Capital Coast, Hutt Valley Te Whatu Ora
12.00 pm	Bariatric Surgery and Mental Health, Elisse Crawford, Dietitian - Outpatient Paediatrics & Bariatrics, Te Whatu Ora Wellington Regional Hospital
1.00 pm	Closing remarks, Harriet Sands, NZHPA Mental Health SIG Convenor Close Koro Meke, Kaumatua, MHAIDS Keta Rima Te Ahuru, MHAIDS
1.15pm	Depart

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