MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CONFERENCE 1992

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Sydney, September
Thursday 24 - Saturday 26
Westmead Hospital
Hawkesbury Rd Westmead

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In these times of major changes in health service funding and the organisation of service provision, it is important that we share our knowledge and right for the best services. The Mental Health Services Conference aims to bring together mental health service providers and consumers to debate current issues and to learn from each other. The conference is organised by a multidisciplinary group to promote a forum for the presentation of original research, reporting on current practice and the stimulation of ideas and vision for the future. There are workshops for the development of skills and symposia for vigorous debate.

Some of the key players in national and international mental health service practice and policy are coming together to give you an up to date picture on current issues.

Speakers include:

PROF. ROBERT DRAKE: Director, New Hampshire-Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Centre and Lecturer at Harvard Medical School. He has written extensively on homelessness, serious mental illness and substance abuse, assertive community follow-up and service development.

MR CHRIS HEGINBOTHAM: Fellow in Health services Management, King’s Fund College, London. He is a specialist in health care management, who was national director of MIND and a W.H.O. consultant on mental health legislation.

MS JENNY MACKLIN: Director, the Australian National Health Strategy.

Last year’s conference “MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO THE YEAR 2000” was a great success and many had to be turned away, so this year make sure you get your application in early to ensure a place. There will be more than 90 papers, seminars, workshops, poster presentations and videos to choose from.
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 24

8.30 - 9.15 REGISTRATION

9.15 - 12.30 PLENARY SESSION

KEYNOTES:

Prof. Robert Drake
Hon. Brian Howe (Minister for Health)
Ms Jenny Macklin

The MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AWARDS
will also be presented.

12.30 - 1.30 LUNCH

1.30 - 5.00 SIX STRANDS including:

National Mental Health Policy Symposium
Living Skills Centres Debate
Treatment Issues and Philosophy; papers
Service Delivery - Hospital; papers
Vocational Rehabilitation; symposium
Service Delivery - Special Groups; papers
Collaborative Approaches; workshop

5.30 - 7.30 MIXING, MUNCHING & MUSIC

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25

9.00 - 11.00 PLENARY SESSION

KEYNOTES:

Mr Chris Heginbotham
2nd speaker to be announced

11.30 - 12.30 FIVE STRANDS including

Mental Health Legislation; papers
Public Relations; workshop
Advances in Neuropsychology; papers
The Going Places Project: workshop
Challenge of Meeting Standards; workshop
1.30 - 5.00 SIX STRANDS including

Community Based Acute Care; symposium
Multiple Family Work; symposium
Clinical Information systems: workshop
Rehabilitation: papers
Country Issues; papers
When the Going Gets Tough - Challenges in Treatment; symposium
Psychiatric Stigma; symposium
Developments in Education & Training; papers

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26

9.00 - 10.30 PLENARY SESSION

KEYNOTES:

Mr Chris Heginbotham
2nd speaker to be announced

11.00 - 1.00 FIVE STRANDS including:

Using Information for Evaluation & Q.A.; workshop
Psychologists' Contribution to Treatment; papers
Planning & Development; papers
Issues In Service Delivery; papers
Family & Consumer Issues; papers

2.00 - 3.00 FIVE STRANDS including

Focus On Families; papers
Planning & Development; papers
Vocational Rehabilitation; workshop
Torture & Trauma; video
Football Addiction; AFL grand final mcnitor
ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS

WESTMEAD HOSPITAL
Is about 200 m from Westmead railway station and there are frequent fast trains (30-35 mins) to and from the Sydney city centre during peak times. Parramatta is one station from Westmead. There is parking at Westmead Hospital at $2 per day.

WESLEY LODGE [★★★★]
175 Hawkesbury Road Westmead NSW 2145 (opposite Westmead Hospital)
Tel: (02) 635 1233 Fax: (02) 893 7018
All rooms have cooking facilities: dining room and room service available. Ask for conference rate of $59 for Standard room (1-3), $65 Deluxe room (1-3) or $70 Family room (1-4). Popular - book early.

RAMADA HOTEL [★★★★]
18-40 Anderson Street Parramatta NSW 2150
(250 m Southwest of railway station)
Tel: (02) 891 1277 Fax: (02) 687 1703
Full buffet breakfast included. Ask for conference rate of $85 for Standard room (1-3) or $115 for Executive Spar Suite (1-3), plus $20 for third person.

GAZEBO HOTEL [★★★★] (New)
350 Church Street Parramatta NSW 2150
(10 minutes walk to railway or 20 minutes walk to Westmead Hospital).
Tel: (02) 630 4999 Fax: (02) 630 0757
Room only + free covered parking. Ask for conference rate of $97 (1-3) or $270 for Maisonette suite (1-4).

A.N.Z. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 1992
COMPETITION

TIME EXTENDED AND CRITERIA CHANGE
You are almost all too shy or the criteria seemed too strict, but we only had four entries on the day the competition closed. THIS IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH! We have extended the date until (postmarked) June 26, 1992 and reduced the criteria to programs running at least one year, rather than two.

THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE
Elizabeth Barry Lynne Dunbar John Houtt Vivienne Miller Alan Rosen
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