MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CONFERENCE 1992



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 syposia 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 Neuropsychlogy; 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 monitor



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: (O2) 635 1233 Fax: (O2) 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: (O2) 891 1277 Fax: (O2) 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: (O2) 63O 4999 Fax: (O2) 63O 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.

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