

## THEMHS SUMMER FORUM PROGRAM



### MIND THE GAP: THE CHALLENGES OF BUILDING BETTER MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

23 & 24 January 2003  
Swiss Grand Hotel, Bondi Beach, Sydney, Australia

## PROGRAM

### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2003

9.00am Welcome: Sadie Robertson  
Chair: Leonie Manns

***What makes for a good mental health service? (USA)*** Richard Warner, Boulder CO, USA. Richard will answer this question in terms of what's good and what's not in the USA, and will propose some criteria for the ingredients of a good mental health service.

10.00am **Morning tea**

10.30am Chair: Leonie Manns  
***What makes for a good mental health service?*** Roberto Mezzina, Trieste, Italy. Roberto will answer this question in terms of what's good and what's not in Italy, and will propose some criteria for the ingredients of a good mental health service.

11.30am Facilitators: Maree Teesson,  
Vivienne Miller, Kevin Kellehear

***Raising the issues: What do we know works well in Australia and New Zealand? What doesn't work well?*** Facilitated session. Responses from Richard Warner, Roberto Mezzina and Roger Gurr

12.30pm **Lunch**

1.30pm Chair: Dermot Casey  
***What are the challenges for mental health services - what is working and what is not, in Australian and New Zealand mental health services?***

Australia: Harvey Whiteford  
New Zealand: Jan Dowland

3.00pm **Afternoon tea**

3.30pm Chair: Janet Peters  
***Case studies - Reducing Stigma and***

***improving community perceptions; Making "work" work - incentives and disincentives; Improving services for Indigenous people***  
Roberto Mezzina, Richard Warner, Tom Brideson

5.30pm  
***Food for thought*** - speakers and audience have time for questions and discussion, with a cash bar, in a relaxed setting.

7.00 **Dinner**

### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2003

9.00am  
***Debate: Money is not enough and the spending is perverse.***  
Cathy Issakidis, Richard Warner, Peter McGeorge, Leonie Manns, Alan Rosen

10.30am **Morning Tea**

11.00am Chair: Peter McGeorge  
***The challenge of building better mental health services - national responses***  
Australia: Dermot Casey  
New Zealand: Janice Wilson  
Discussant: Jan Dowland,

12.30pm **Lunch**

1.30pm  
***How do we build good mental health services? How do we re-design mental health services for the future?*** Richard Warner, Roberto Mezzina  
Discussion

3.30pm **Afternoon tea**

3.45pm  
***Film:- Great Scientists of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century: Franco Basaglia***, made by RAI Radiotelevisione Italiana, 2001.

4.30pm **Finish**