

The Mental Health Services Conference Inc. of Australia and New Zealand (TheMHS)



Melbourne Convention Centre, Melbourne, Victoria
23rd annual TheMHS Conference
20 – 23 August 2013

Forging the Future

Challenging Attitudes! Creating Connections! Transforming Lives! Join us in Melbourne in 2013 to discuss and debate the issues important to shaping the future in a rapidly changing landscape. Building on our commitment to a recovery oriented mental health system, we have an opportunity to realise and resource a reform agenda that delivers on: human rights, social inclusion and consumer centred and family inclusive practice.



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

Steve Harrington, background in wildlife biology, public administration and law but has learned most about himself and living well through his adventures and experience with depression and schizophrenia. **Topic:** *The Promise of Peer Services*

Mike Slade, Professor of Health Services Research, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London, and Consultant Clinical Psychologist, South London. Topic: Future challenges for supporting recovery Bernadette McSherry is Professor of Law, Monash University and is the Director of the Centre for the Advancement of Law and Mental Health. She is an Australian Research Council Federation Fellow. Topic: Developments in mental health law

TheMHS is a learning network for improving mental health services in Australasia to:

- > Recognise and promote quality collaborative research, practice, policy-making, education.
- > Promote active involvement and inclusion of all mental health stakeholders
- Advocate and promote leadership in the mental health field.

TheMHS provides a forum for the exchange of ideas, professional development, networking and debate for professionals, consumers, carers (families), and managers. TheMHS aims to promote positive attitudes about mental health and mental illness, and to stimulate debate that will challenge the boundaries of present knowledge and ideas about mental health care.