

From Strength to Strength Conference Outline

Day 1 - 2 March 2010

9.00 – 9.10	Welcome to Country			
9.10 – 9.20	Welcome from the National Disability Services Victorian Chair –Richard Dent			
9.20 – 10.10	Opening address - Minister Lisa Neville			
10.10 - 11.00	Keynote Address So just tell me again: Who exactly is in control? Professor Peter Shergold			
11.00 – 11.30	Morning Tea			
	Concurrent Sessions			
	Stream One	Stream Two	Stream Three	Stream Four
	Who Owns the Risk?	Overcoming Organisational Inhibitions	Valuing Clients as Decision Making Partners	Technology & Research Based Practice
11.30 – 12.00	The Management of Risk: A Human Rights Perspective Phillip French	Social Defences or a Crippled Organisation Scott Sheppard	Engaging Stakeholders to Create Effective Change Joy Humphries	Web2Care Innovations Technology Sieg Drews & Dave Glazebrook
12.00 – 12.30	Building a Risk Management Culture Sally Bennett	Interagency Collaboration- A Marriage of Convenience Tony Sweeney	The proof is in the Partnership Michelle Bates & Leanne Johnson	Putting Research into Practice Liz Hudson
12.30 – 1.30	12.45 – 1.15 Lunchtime Discussion Group Asking the Right Questions: Making Life Better for People with Disabilities <i>An eat and talk with Lynne Webber Office of the Senior Practitioner who is seeking understand the questions that are important to people with disabilities, their advocates and carers before setting the research agenda.</i>			
1.30 – 2.30	Plenary The carecareers journey: a workforce recruitment initiative Kate More, Project Manager, Workforce Recruitment, National Disability Services NSW			
2.20 – 3.30	Plenary Professionalism and Professional Accreditation: International context; national developments and local implications. Associate Professor. Keith McVilly, Principal Research Fellow in School of Psychology at Deakin University, Melbourne			
3.30 – 4.00	Afternoon Tea			
4.00 - 5.00	Plenary Watch this space			
5.00 – 5.10	Closing Day One – Richard Dent			

Conference Dinner

We're going to ask you to dig into the very back of your wardrobe, and relive the decade of side ponytails, perms, hairspray, parachute pants, shoulder pads, fingerless gloves, and neon legwarmers – that's right,

FAME: The Eighties Are Back!

Come and get your groove on to the greatest hits of the eighties. We'll have the **13 Beats** playing - band members Steven McEwen and Ros Crook have performed on The Bert Newton Show, and at the Queenscliff Music Festival.

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Day Two – 3 March 2010

9.00 – 9.10	Welcome from the Disabilities Professionals Victoria Chair – David Sykes			
9.10 – 9.40	Victorian Opposition Address Mary Wooldridge			
9.40 -10.40	Keynote Address Preventing challenging behaviour- a public health perspective Professor David Allan			
10.45 – 11.15	Morning Tea			
Concurrent Sessions				
	Stream One	Stream Two	Stream Three	Stream Four
	Managing Complex Care Needs	Social Inclusion – Is it working?	Outcomes and a Cultural Perspective	People who are Ageing with a Disability
11.15 -11.45	Driving Change in the Disability Services System through Care Plan Development and Coordination Bernadette McCartney	Problems of De-Differentiated Policies of Social Inclusion: Findings from Two Studies of Institutional Closure in Victoria Tim Clement Professor Christine Bigby	Thinking differently about success - a CEO's perspective. Estelle Fyfe	Innovative strategies to address the needs of older people with a disability in Residential care: developed with the person and their family Dr Carmel Laragy & Sarah Pollock
11.45 -12.15	Evaluating Services for people with severe intellectual disabilities Tim Clement	Capability and Inclusion: A reflection on new ideas on inclusion Dr Paul Ramcharan	Take the journey share the knowledge : Victorian Indigenous Disability Movement Jody Saxton-Barney	Decision Making and Outcomes of the Transition From Group Homes to Residential Aged care for Older People with Intellectual Disabilities Professor Christine Bigby
12.15- 1.15	Panel Discussion Converting Evidence into Practice: Where is the link? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Paul Ramcharan Co-ordinator of Research and Public Policy, Aust Centre for Human Rights Education • Professor Chris Bigby Director of Post Graduate Programs Ls Trobe University • Associate Professor. Keith McVilly, Principal Research Fellow in School of Psychology Deakin University, • Kevin Stone CEO VALID 			
1.15-2.15	Lunch			
2.15 – 3.30	Panel Discussion To whom is the duty owed? Human Rights, Organisational Risk and Industrial Advocacy - Competing or complimentary obligations? facilitated by Andrew Hollo with panellists; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kevin Stone - CEO VALID, • Jonathan Gray Worksafe Legal Advisor, • Dr Paula Gerber – Board Member Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission • Matthew Carroll - Legal, Policy and Systemic Initiatives Manager, VEOHRC, • Lloyd Williams - State Secretary HACSU , • Philip French - Human Rights Lawyer, • Patrick Ow, Risk Management Advisor Victorian Managed Insurance Authority 			
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