Evaluation Feedback

75 Evaluation Questionnaires were returned from 104 attendants, a return rate of 72% which is quite acceptable for a questionnaire.

90% of respondents attended the whole meeting. Of the 10% that attended only part of the meeting, over 90% attended all sessions except for the Panel Discussion.

This first chart illustrates the type of work that participants were involved in.

Participant's Profile

![Type of Work Chart]

Of the 41% that worked in Allied Health, the majority were physiotherapists (77.5%) and of the remaining, 16% were Occupational Therapists, and there was one podiatrist and one ACAT worker who did not specify their role. The Other category included Nursing management, Quality & Patient Safety Management and a Project officer.
This chart illustrates the work setting of respondents. The majority (55%) of those who worked in other settings worked in rehabilitation.

The above chart illustrates the responses to question 5 regarding the quality of the presentations in Plenary Session 1 (Stephen Lord & Jacqui Close). 88% of respondents rated these presentations as excellent or very good.
The above chart illustrates the relevance to work of the presentations in Plenary Session 1. 85% of respondents found this plenary session extremely or very relevant to their work.

The above chart illustrates the results for presentation rating in Plenary session 2. Overall, 83% of respondents found this session excellent or very good.
The above results illustrate the relevance to work of the presentations in Plenary 2 (Lorraine Lovitt & Jennie Yaxley). Overall, 83% of respondents found this plenary session extremely or very relevant to their work.

In the afternoon Sessions, 63.5% attended Session A, Mandy Harden’s presentation and 36.5% attended Session B, Nicole Nathan’s presentation.

The above chart shows the ratings for the afternoon presentations. 59% of respondents found these presentations excellent or very good, with a further 33% rating the presentations as good.
The above chart illustrates the relevance of the presentations in the afternoon session; overall 75% of respondents rated these sessions as relevant to their work.

The above chart illustrates the usefulness of the panel session. Overall 54% of respondents rated this session as extremely useful or very useful with a further 39% stating it was useful.
Overall Viewpoints

Most useful aspect of meeting, comments included:
- Networking
- Great overview of guidelines, implementation & current research
- Opportunity to ask questions
- Meeting and hearing from a range of practitioners in clinical, research and policy development
- Information about big picture
- Applying research evidence into practice and the issues surrounding this
- Cross service connections
- Presentation on community setting work
- Overview and discussion of the NSW Falls Policy
- Panel discussion
- Meeting Area Falls co-ordinators
- Great to hear about projects in the falls prevention area

What topics would they like discussed at the next meeting? Comments included:
- Further information on current research
- Restraints
- Falls prevention measures
- Implementing falls projects in the community
- Sustainability in view of high staff turnover
- Discipline specific interventions and outcomes
- Validation of tools
- Practical applications of the research
- Workshops
- Research on risk factors
- Work happening across the AHS in falls prevention, sharing programs and resources
- Advocacy skill development
- How to influence nursing culture in falls prevention area
- Reports from Area Health Service Falls Co-ordinators
- Community based interventions
- Working effectively across clinical/community settings
- Evidence around foot care/shoes and fear of falling
- Physical activity programs home and community based
- Gait assessment
- Podiatry role in falls prevention
- More discussion on implementation
- Results of local RCTs

Other Comments
There were only a few negative comments. These mainly related to not being able to see the slides properly and the sound quality during some sessions. Several respondents mentioned that having the notes for the talks would have been useful.
The above chart illustrates the satisfaction with the conference venue. Overall 96% of respondents found the venue to be excellent or very good.

The above chart illustrates the satisfaction with the catering. Overall 96% of respondents rated the catering as excellent or very good.
The results from the questionnaire indicate most people were very happy with the venue. The only concern was the lack of space in the area for serving morning tea and lunch.