

ANNUAL FORUM Friday 2nd May 2025 Wesley Conference Centre PROGRAM

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8.30 am	REGISTRATION/ARRIVAL TEA/COFFEE	
9.00 am	OPENING SESSION - Wesley Theatre Chairperson: To be confirmed WELCOME TO COUNTRY Aunty Joan Bell	
9.10 am	OPENING Dr Harvey Lander	
9.20 am - 10.20 am	PLENARY SESSION 1 Chairperson: To be confirmed	
9.20 am	Pam Albany Guest Lecture Preventing falls in care homes Prof Pip Logan	
9.50 am	Preventing falls in nursing homes - Australian perspectives Dr Rik Dawson	
10.20 am	MORNING TEA, TRADE EXHIBITS & POSTERS DISPLAY	
11.00 am - 12.10 pm	PLENARY SESSION 2 - Wesley Theatre Chairperson: To be confirmed	
11.00 am	Dementia prevention, practical risk reduction Prof Ruth Peters	
11.30 am	Reactive balance training: from research into practice Dr Yoshiro Okubo	
11.50 am	Working with people from CALD communities to reduce falls Prof Cathy Said	
12.10 pm	LUNCH, TRADE EXHIBITS & POSTER SESSION	
1.10 pm	Afternoon Concurrent Sessions (refer to next page)	
3.00 pm	BREAK	
3.05 pm	CONCLUDING SESSION - Wesley Theatre Chairperson: To be confirmed Research Update Prof Kim Delbaere	
3.25 pm	Panel Discussion featuring plenary speakers and Prof Stephen Lord	
3.55 pm	Feedback surveys	
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1.10 pm - 3.00pm AFTERNOON CONCURRENT SESSIONS			
A. HOSPITAL CARE - Wesley Theatre Chairperson: To be confirmed	B. COMMUNITY - Smith Room Chairperson: To be confirmed	C. AGEING SERVICES - Lyceum Chairperson: To be confirmed	
1.10 pm: Barriers and facilitators to supported implementation of multicomponent fall prevention interventions in hospital: a qualitative study Charlotte McLennan (PhD student, University of Sydney)	1.10 pm: Implementing Post-Fall Huddles in a Community setting Belinda Marshall (Physiotherapist, Transitional Aged Care Program, Prince of Wales Community Health)	1.10 pm: Co-creating an optimal implementation model for digital health solutions into community aged care: The implementation of an eHealth fall prevention program Dr Meghan Ambrens (Post-doc, FBRIC, NeuRA)	
1.25 pm: Don't Fall for it! Karlee Mueller (CNC Comprehensive Care, Prince of Wales Hospital, SESLHD)	1.25 pm: Availability of Falls Prevention Programs for diverse communities in Greater Sydney: A Gap Analysis Fatemeh Abdi (MPhil candidate at UNSW, Podiatrist)	1.25 pm: Improving healthcare delivery to older patients following an ambulance call-out: Implementing an evidence-based approach to prevent falls and reduce frailty Dr Meghan Ambrens (Post-doc, FBRIC, NeuRA)	
1.40 pm: FACIT (Falls and Cognitive Impairment Team) Karlee Mueller (CNC Comprehensive Care, Prince of Wales Hospital, SESLHD)	1.40 pm: Systematic Review of Socioeconomic Position and Falls Among Middle- and Older-Aged Adults Frerik Smit (Graduate Student, Sydney School of Public Health, USYD)	1.40 pm: Reducing Malnutrition and Frailty Risk: The Impact of Dietitian Intervention in a Multidisciplinary Geriatric Service Taylah Pepper (Dietitian, Centre for STRONG Medicine, Concord Hospital)	
1.55 pm: Enhancing Patient Safety and Reducing falls in a Medical Inpatient Unit: A Collaborative Approach. Margie Fletcher (CNC Neurology, Medicine Services, Central Coast)	1.55 pm: Falls Service Camperdown Adam Buckingham (Physiotherapist, RPA Hospital, Sydney LHD)	1.55 pm: Development and testing of a system dynamic model to project the health and economic impact of fall prevention initiatives in the community and aged care facilities Dr Marina Pinheiro (Senior Research Fellow, School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine and Health)	
2.10 pm: Transforming Falls Prevention with Digital FRAMP: A Collaborative Innovative partnership between SLHD/SWSLHD Wendy Tilden (SLHD Falls Coordinator) and Shereen Ivy Gacayan (SWSLHD Safety Culture Coordinator)	2.10 pm: Protocol for Adapting and Implementing a Structured Priority-setting Process for Fall Prevention Research in Australia: A Stakeholder-Driven Approach Melody Leung (PhD Student, School of Public Health, Institute for Musculoskeletal and Health, USYD	2.10 pm: Caring for patients with changed behaviours Sue Tripney (Diversional Therapist, Gloucester Health Service)	
2.25 pm: A Senior Level Review and Response Process for Inpatients having repeat falls Samantha Aspinall (Nurse Unit Manager) and Jeena Joseph (Clinical Nurse Educator)	2.25 pm: Stepping On With Recovery Natalie Narunsky (Occupational Therapist, OPMH, SESLHD)		
2.40 pm: You cannot change what you don't know - Falls Prevention at Bankstown Hospital Dani Bui (Patient Safety Manager) and Sarah Massey (Director of Nursing & Midwifery Services)	2.40 pm: Stepping On Falls Prevention Program- Priority Population Queeny Stafford and Nadia Williams (Stepping On Coordinator)	2.40 pm: Fall Prevention for People with Cerebral Palsy Prof Pip Logan (Co-Director, STARS Education and Research Alliance and Professor of Occupational Therapy)	

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Standing Tall
Stepping On
Stopfalls Physio

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