Monday 20th July, 2009 – University of Western Sydney, Parramatta Campus

0830  Registration

0900  Welcome: Professor Beryl Hesketh, Executive Dean
College of Health and Science, University of Western Sydney

Official Opening: The Honourable Justine Elliott, MP
Minister of Ageing

Professor Rhonda Griffiths, AM
Head, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Western Sydney

The Honourable John Watkins
CEO Alzheimer’s Australia, NSW

WELCOME TO COUNTRY

0930  Keynote Address 1 – Recent Advances in Dementia Research
Professor Ladislav Volicer,
School of Aging Studies, University of South Florida
Visiting Professor, Medical Faculty, Charles University, Czech Republic

1015  MORNING TEA

1045  Keynote Address 2 – Treatment of Alzheimer Disease Depending on Disease Stage
Associate Professor Gerald Muench,
School of Medicine, University of Western Sydney

1130  CONCURRENT SESSIONS

CLINICAL LEADERSHIP
Preventable & inevitable weight loss in advanced dementia:
using a decision making framework to guide care.
Christine Ryan, Clinical Nurse
Consultant, Palliative Care,
Sydney West Area Health Service

INNOVATIVE PRACTICES
Creating Successful Dementia Care: A multidisciplinary approach
- Connections Coffee Club – A Dementia Café.
  Sue Tolhurst, Dementia Advisor,
  Sydney West Area Health Service
Christine Atkins, Dementia Advisor
Nepean, Chetalon Services

1150  Enhancing the uptake of a palliative care approach in residential aged care facilities: Building the capacity for communication.
Ms. Amanda Johnson, Lecturer,
School of Nursing & Midwifery,
University of Western Sydney
A Multidisciplinary Approach for the Education of Undergraduate Health Care Students in Person-centred Care.
Dr. Anita DeBellis, Lecturer,
Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery,
Flinders University, Adelaide
1210  Advanced Care Planning Project.  
Anne Meller,  
Clinical Nurse Consultant,  
Advanced Care Planning Project,  
South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Service
Gaining positive outcomes from teaching English and the fundamentals of Dementia concurrently.  
Helen Cumming, Quality Manager,  
Uniting Care Ageing, Sydney Region

1230  LUNCH

1315  Keynote Address 3 – A Framework for Dementia Care  
Professor Esther Chang, Director, Staff Development in Research, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Western Sydney  
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Therese Smeal  
Clinical Nurse Consultant, Sydney West Area Health Service

1400  Keynote Address 4 – Carers perspective on successful care  
Sue Pieters-Hawke, Carer

1445  AFTERNOON TEA

1505  CONCURRENT SESSIONS

CLINICAL LEADERSHIP
Solving the problem of agitation in Advanced Dementia: using a framework to guide decisions.  
Roderick Pirotta, Clinical Nurse Consultant, Dementia Support, Sydney West Area Health Service

INNOVATIVE PRACTICES
Advanced Care Planning: supportive intervention for residents and families.  
Dr. Sarah Yeun-Sim Jeong, Lecturer, School of Nursing, University of Newcastle

1525  A Multidisciplinary Approach to Mealtimes in Aged Care.  
Tania Gamble, Dementia Consultant, Uniting Care Ageing, Sydney Region

Predictors of depression in older husbands who are providing care for wives with dementia at home.  
Associate Professor Peter Brown, School of Nursing, Charles Darwin University

1545  Cognition, Health Environment, Quality & Engagement (CHEQuE) Program.  
Kathryn Gooze, Nurse Practitioner Clinical Director of Palliative Care, Aged Care (Dementia), Anglican Retirement Villages, Sydney

Innovative Practice urgently needed for care of Advanced Dementia.  
Dr Michael Noel, Clinical Director of Palliative Care, Sydney West Area Health Service

1605  Keynote Address 5 – Quality of Life for People Living with Dementia  
Ms Joyce Simard, Private Geriatric Consultant

1650  Summation
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0900  Morning Workshop: Quality of Life for people with dementia and their carers

Dementia prevention, mediations and behavioural management
Professor Ladislav Volcier

Memory enhancement program
Ms. Joyce Simard

1230  Session closed

1230 – 1330  Lunch

1330  Afternoon Workshop: Quality of Life for people with advanced and terminal dementia

Medical issues and palliative care
Professor Ladislav Volcier

Namaste care
Ms. Joyce Simard

1730  Session closed

Please note that each session includes a 30 minute morning and afternoon tea break