

VICTORIAN TRANSCULTURAL MENTAL HEALTH (VTMH) FORUM

Vocation Works! Diverse Voices on Vocational Rehabilitation

A forum to discuss vocational rehabilitation from a range of perspectives

This forum is for mental health workers, community workers, consumers and carers from across Victoria, who are interested in the relationship between recovery and vocation.

You will hear the perspectives of people with lived experience, advocates, practitioners and researchers from a range of organisations, agencies and services.

Thursday, 11th October 2018

9.30 am – 2.45 pm (Registrations open at 9am)

Michael Chamberlin Theatre, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

Cost: \$80 per person (morning tea & lunch will be provided)

A limited number of **FREE places** for peer workers, consumers, carers and members of the lived experience community are available. To request a free place, please contact us by Friday 5th October on Ph. 9231 3245 or Email: vtmh@svha.org.au

The full 2-page program outlining speakers and topics can be viewed below.

Themes include:

- the range of issues facing people making vocational decisions
- programs that help people explore, get started on, and stick with vocations
- achieving vocational outcomes by building community solidarity and self-belief
- the links between disadvantage and health and vocational inequities

Register your attendance on TryBooking [here](#). Registrations close on Friday 5th October.

If you have any other questions or queries, please contact us on 9231 3245.



Victorian Transcultural
MENTAL HEALTH

FORUM PROGRAM
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9:00 REGISTRATIONS (Main Theatre Entry) & **MORNING TEA** (Catering Room 3)

9:30 WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Chair: Naomi Chapman

Main Theatre

OPENING PRESENTATIONS

Catalina González & Andrés Gutiérrez

Colombian Traditional Dance and Story of Purpose

Karina Rosa Ojeda Rodriguez

Listening to the Call of My Heart

Main Theatre

**10:00 SESSION 1
 PRESENTATIONS**

Main Theatre

Dr Melissa Petrakis
**ST. VINCENT'S
 HOSPITAL
 (MELBOURNE) &
 MONASH
 UNIVERSITY**

*Employment as a
 Pathway to Social
 Citizenship for
 People
 Experiencing
 Severe and
 Persistent Mental
 Illness*

**Shanelle
 Karunanayake**
**DOVETON
 COMMUNITY CARE
 UNIT, MONASH
 HEALTH**

*Implementing
 Individual
 Placement and
 Support
 Partnership
 Program in
 Community Care
 Unit Context*

Bill Gye
**OSTARA AUSTRALIA
 LTD**

*Vocational
 Support and
 Recovery*

**Khalsom
 Willoughby & Elena
 Ashley**
WISE EMPLOYMENT

*Building Cognition
 Skills in People with
 Severe Mental
 Illness to Improve
 Employability*

**Jodie Tuckwell-
 Knight**
**WEAR FOR
 SUCCESS**

*The Transformative
 Power of Clothes
 and Kindness*

**Henrique Van-
 Dunem**
**VICTORIAN MENTAL
 HEALTH
 INTERPROFESSIONAL
 LEADERSHIP
 NETWORK**

Having a Vision

Rachael Starbuck
**ST. VINCENT'S
 MENTAL HEALTH
 (HAWTHORN
 COMMUNITY
 MENTAL HEALTH
 SERVICE)**

*Occupation and
 Recovery: An
 Occupational
 Therapy
 Perspective*

12:00 LUNCH BREAK

Catering Room 3

**12:30 SESSION 2
PRESENTATIONS**

Main Theatre

Marija Groen, Manuel Figueroa, Jorge Alberto Areniva, Gabriela Ochoa, Carmen Areniva & Rocio Mendieta
UNITED, SERVING GENERATIONS, SPANISH LATIN AMERICAN WELFARE CENTRE

"UNIDOS", Spanish Latin American Welfare Centre- We are Proud to be United

Dr Caitlin McDowell
LA TROBE UNIVERSITY
Moving Clients Forward: Employment Specialists' Views and Practices of Supporting Clients with Mental Illness

Natalie Alfonso, Chris Gordon & Joe Pekmezovic
JOB CO. EMPLOYMENT SERVICES INC.
Looking for a Job, Got the Job and Keep the Job

Jawid Sayed
UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE
Facilitating Better Employment Opportunities for Refugee-Background Migrants and People Seeking Asylum in Australia

Kate Brinly
ST. VINCENT'S (GROUP & BRIEF INTERVENTION TEAM)
Honouring and Following My Vocational Path

SUMMATION & REFLECTIONS

Facilitator: Naomi Chapman

Main Theatre

2:45 FORUM CLOSE