

Agenda

**Digital Health for the Bush (DH4B) Forum 2021 Tuesday 9th November.
Addressing the great RRR divide:**

How can we increase access to a greater range of health services for Rural, Regional and Remote (RRR) people?

1:00	Welcome and introduction: Darius Pfitzner, Asia Pacific College of Business & Law (APCB&L). Outline and house-keeping, session will be recorded, <i>Respects to Traditional Owners</i>
Workshop facilitated by Senator Dr Sam McMahon.	
1:05	Opening address, including objectives of workshop. The Forum will follow on from last year's DH4B Forum and explore how access to a wider range of services can be provided to Rural, Regional and Remote (RRR) people through telehealth.
1:10	The Cooperative Research Centre Northern Australia (CRCNA) – Dr Ian Biggs, Senior Project Manager, CRCNA. https://bit.ly/DH4B-P5
1:15	Update on CRCNA Telehealth Project – Marianne St Clair, Researcher, Simbani Research.
1:25	Technology in action: David Murtagh (https://bit.ly/DH4B-P2), Researcher, Simbani Research, John Kelly, Senior GP, Laynhapuy Homelands Health Service, Mike Harmon, CEO & Founder, VisionFlex.
1:40	The benefits of Community Wi-Fi at Gawa: Dr Kathy Gotha Guthadjaka AM. & Mr Colin Baker
1:45	One year on - what we've seen, what we're hearing and what's next for NBN Co in supporting digital health in the bush - Dr Jen Beer, Head of Health and Education – Regional and Remote, NBN Co.
1:50	Telehealth for the Bush (TH4B) Update: Dr Margaret Faux, CEO & Founder, Synapse Medical Services.
2:00	TH4B Case Study from a clinician's perspective: Professor Stephen Faux, Director of the Departments of Rehabilitation at St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney.
2:05	TH4B Case Study from patient's perspective: Tiani Cook, Founder, Horses for Courses.
2:10	Q & A.
2:20	Mapping the Digital Gap, Dr Daniel Featherstone Senior Research Fellow, ARC Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society https://bit.ly/DH4B-P1
2:25	Using Tech to Target Stress & Build Mind Fitness: Edwina Griffin: Founder & CEO of AtOne Australia
2:35	Break for afternoon tea
3:00	Evaluation of the current service delivery models and systematic review of telehealth surveys post COVID. David Murtagh, Senior Researcher Simbani & PhD Candidate. Some of the identified barriers for RRR residents accessing a wider range of services through telehealth:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to adequate telecommunications. • Digital literacy levels of patients, clinicians and support staff. • Affordable, easy to use and reliable videoconferencing hardware and software. • Capable clinical staff willing to embrace quality improvement using new technologies in their work practice. • Viable business models that allow for the remuneration of telehealth services. • Collaborative partnerships between healthcare providers. • Interoperable health information systems capable of recording/making available all patient health data. •
3:05	Let a lawyer guide you through the MBS Wild-west, Dr Margaret Faux.
3:10	Q & A
3:15	<p>ICPA Panel Session: The importance of accessing telehealth services for children in remote areas: Suzanne Wilson, Kerrie Scott & Amanda Murphy, ICPA; Nicole Ramsamy, Nurse Practitioner.</p>
3:35	Summary of ICPA Panel Session: Jen Beer, NBN Co.
3:40	Introduction to Panel Session and Panel Members – Senator Dr Sam McMahon (each Panel Member will provide a brief introduction)
	How can we increase access to a greater range of health services for RRR people?
	Margaret Faux: Margaret Faux, CEO & Founder, Synapse Medical Services.
	Edwina Griffin: Founder & CEO of AtOne Australia
	Mark Diamond: Managing Director, Diamond Consultants.
	Kerrie Scott: NT Isolated Children’s and Parents’ Association Councillor and Katherine Branch President.
	David Murtagh: Simbani Research (25 years’ experience in health technologies). <i>https://bit.ly/DH4B-P3</i>
3:45	Panel discussion.
4:45	Workshop summary, outcomes and recommendations: Senator Dr Sam McMahon & Jen Beer, NBN Co
4:55	Close of Workshop and welcome to Networking Session: Darius Pfitzner, (APCB&L).

Link to videos: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCelk7FaD_-l6Rydr1LK_jEA/playlists