



Alzheimers New Zealand 2021 Conference Programme*

Living with dementia: Taking action for a better future

Te noho rangatira me te mate wareware: Te kōkiri kaupapa mō ngā rā e tū mai nei

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Thursday 18 th November	
09:00	<p>Mihi whakatau and welcome Mihi Whakatau - Mate Wareware Advisory Rōpū Welcome – Clare Hynd, Alzheimers NZ Chair Opening address - Associate Minister of Health, Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall</p>
10:00	<p>Plenary Session 1</p> <p>Dementia rights are human rights - Daniella Greenwood</p>
10:30	<p>Morning tea online event: Voice Arts - Play break: A twenty minute burst of joy Experience applied improvisation and discover how this unique tool for relational engagement supports the wellbeing and development of those living with dementia.</p>
10:50	<p>Plenary Session 2</p> <p>Becoming dementia friendly-From Lethe to the Gates of Dawn – Dennis Frost</p>
11:20	<p>A new Health and Disability system</p> <p>Dementia Economic Impact Report – Etu Ma’u Health and Disability Review Transition Unit – Dorothy Clendon and Emma Hickson</p>

12:20	Lunch/online event Screening of the film <i>Mr Velvet Ears</i> (40 minutes)	
Concurrent Session 1		
13:20	Stream 1	Stream 2
	<p>13:20 Panel discussion - The changing face of human rights in aged care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathryn Maloney, New Zealand Aged Care Association • Maree McCabe, CEO Dementia Australia • Paula Tesoriero, Disability Rights Commissioner • Daniella Greenwood, Consultant, Speaker, Author and Activist <p>14:20 Dementia, intimacy and sexual expression - Catherine Cook</p> <p>14:40 Enablers of safer walking - Clare Teague</p>	<p>13:20 Panel discussion – How to be dementia friendly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building a Dementia Friendly Aotearoa New Zealand - Dennis Frost • Museum in a box - Prudence Pim • Burwood Hospital - Lara Hitchcock <p>14:20 Dementia friendly beyond the toolkit and checklist - Sonia Pratt</p> <p>14:40 My Life’s Journey app - Alister Robertson</p>
15:00	Afternoon tea/online event	
15.20	Symposium: Psychosocial interventions that make a difference	
	<p>Chair: Gary Cheung</p> <p>Mindfulness, Breath & Movement - Chair yoga practices for older adults with dementia - Heyes Johnson</p> <p>Mindfulness-based cognitive therapy (MBCT): Helping family carers cope with long-term distress and grief - Emme Chacko</p> <p>The experiences of care partners supporting a person with dementia to attend an in-home video telehealth group - Kathy Peri</p>	

	Koeke exclusion from healthcare and digital spaces - Melanie Cheung and Fern Smith
16:20	What people living with dementia need to live well with dementia
	Liz Smith - Litmus Research
16:40	The latest science
	Maurice Curtis – Professor of Neuroscience, Auckland University Campbell le Heron- Neurologist, NZ Brain Research Institute
17:10	Wrap up
Friday 19th November	
09:00	Welcome
09:10	Plenary Session 3
	Unlocking and un-segregating dementia care - Al Power
09:40	Plenary Session 4
	Supporting our diversity – Makarena Dudley
10:10	Supporting people living with dementia in primary care
	How primary care can better support those living with dementia – Ngair Kerse
10:50	Morning tea/online event: Voice Arts - Game time Laugh while you learn games that you can use on the ground to support peoples’ joyful wellbeing and development

Concurrent Session 2		
11:10	Stream 1	Stream 2
	<p>11:10 Moving beyond BPSD towards wellbeing - Al Power</p> <p>11:30 Exploring the information needs of people with mild dementia - Lara Hitchcock</p> <p>11:50 Mind the Gap - Anne Schumacher</p> <p>12:10 Young onset dementia - Brigid Ryan</p> <p>12.30 The Alzheimers Taranaki pilot of a new virtual reality program for people living with dementia - Linda Jones, Helen Frank and Rosemary Gibson</p>	<p>11:10 Mate Wareware Advisory Rōpū</p> <p>11:30 Unconditional love - Natalie Ive</p> <p>11:50 The understanding and lived experience of dementia in NZ Indian community - Rita Krishnamurthi</p> <p>12:10 Living with diversity in NZ – LIDIA - Adrian Martinez-Ruiz</p> <p>12:30 Adapting Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (CST) for Māori with mate wareware - Makarena Dudley</p>
12:50	<p>Lunch Online event: “A Day at the Club” – Alzheimers Taranaki (TBC)</p>	
13:50	<p>Plenary Session 5</p>	
	<p>Preserving well-being in times of community crisis - Matthew Croucher</p>	
14:20	<p>A hub of excellence for dementia learning</p>	
	<p>Kathy Peri</p>	
14:30	<p>Platinum Sponsor</p>	

Concurrent Session 3		
14:45	Stream 1	Stream 2
	<p>14:45 Supporting person centred dementia care during a pandemic - Andrea Iaboni</p> <p>15:05 Lived experience of Chinese care home residents during Covid-19 - Doris Zhang</p> <p>15:25 What can replace face to face support - Maintaining connections to people living with dementia during Covid-19 lockdown - Anna Thompson</p>	<p>14:45 Establishing a young onset dementia clinic in Canterbury - Campbell le Heron</p> <p>15:05 How friends can enhance wellbeing - Anne Silva</p> <p>15:25 Acceptability and validity of the Mini-Ace for older New Zealanders - Susan Gee</p>
15:45	Afternoon tea/online event	
16:05	Closing address	
	Living with dementia: Taking action for a better future - Catherine Hall - Chief Executive, Alzheimers NZ Hope – Alzheimers NZ Advisory Group	
16:50	Wrap up and Conference close	