

CPHCE bi-monthly Newsletter

April 2020



Highlights

The Centre staff are continuing to work hard, albeit largely from home under restrictions due to the COVID-19. The skeleton staff, working in the Centre and Hubs, are safe and exercising all the social distancing and hand washing practices. The Centre's work now includes assisting NSW Health and local health districts in responding to the pandemic. For example, some staff have been involved in contact tracing and helping services to implement rapid changes such as the use of telehealth. All our other work continues, although it has been more challenging to deal with health service providers because of the increased demands under the COVID-19 pandemic.

Projects

The Centre has been conducting an evaluation of the community involvement strategy in Waterloo. In 2019 the SLHD engaged the CPHCE, led by A/Prof Margo Barr, to review the Waterloo Healthy Living Program. The purpose of the review was to assess how effectively the program has achieved the expectations of the community and the SLHD, and to propose options or recommendations to enhance the Program and to develop similar programs across SLHD. The review included a position establishment and current work review; key informant interviews to assess the impact of the program; and a literature reviews to identify and examine the impact and enablers for the success of other similar roles. The final report is currently being prepared. [Read more](#)

Publications

- [Access to appropriate health care for non-English speaking migrant families with a newborn/young child: a systematic scoping literature review](#)
By Louise Dougherty, Jane Lloyd, Elizabeth Harris, Paula Caffrey, Mark Harris, BMC
- [Assessing the impact of the 2015 introduction of increased penalties and enhanced public awareness and enforcement activities on texting while driving among adults in Ontario, Canada](#)
By Tracey Ma and more, Traffic Injury Prevention
- [Can coronavirus spread through food? Can anti-inflammatories like ibuprofen make it worse? Coronavirus claims checked by experts'](#)
By Ben Harris-Roxas and others, The Conversation.
- [Cardiovascular and metabolic risk assessment in patients with lichen planus: A tertiary care hospital-based study from northern India](#)
By Sabha Mushtaq, Devraj Dogra, Naina Dogra, Jonathan Shapiro, Kaniz Fatema, Nafis Faizi, Gunjan Gupta, IN Online Journal.

- [Connecting General Practitioners Through a Peer-Facilitated Community of Practice for Chronic Disease Care](#)
By Hyun Song, Mark Harris, Fan-Yin Li, *Annals of Family Medicine*.
- [COVID-19: Lessons from South Korea's quick response](#)
By Jinhee Kim, *Croakey*.
- [Do Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Diseases \(COPD\) Self-Management Interventions Consider Health Literacy and Patient Activation?](#)
By Yadav UN, Lloyd J, Hosseinzadeh H, Baral KP, Harris MF, *NCBI*.
- [Facilitators and barriers to the self-management of COPD: a qualitative study from rural Nepal](#)
By Uday Narayan Yadav, Jane Lloyd, Hassan Hosseinzadeh, Kedar Prasad Baral, Sagar Dahal, Narendra Bhatta, Mark Fort Harris, *BMJ Open*.
- [Johannesburg Cancer Study \(JCS\): contribution to knowledge and opportunities arising from 20 years of data collection in an African setting](#)
By Freddy Sitas and more, *Science Direct*.
- [Self-management practice, associated factors and its relationship with Health Literacy and Patient Activation among multi-morbid COPD patients from rural Nepal](#)
By Uday Narayan Yadav, Jane Lloyd, Hassan Hosseinzadeh, Kedar Prasad Baral, Narendra Bhatta and Mark Fort Harris, *BMC Public Health*.
- [South Korea flattening the curve – testing is vital, but so is tracing and tracking](#)
By Jinhee Kim, *Croakey*.
- [The methodology for assessing smoking-attributed mortality based on All Causes of Death Surveillance in Tianjin, China, 2010–2015](#)
By Freddy Sitas and more, *NCBI*
- [The Rise of the Consucrat](#)
By Evelyne de Leeuw, *IJHPM*.
- [The social gradient of COVID-19](#)
By Andrew Reid and Siggie Zapart, *CHETRE Website*.
- [What do consumers with chronic conditions expect from their interactions with general practitioners? A qualitative study of Australian consumer and provider perspectives](#)
By Hyun Song, Sarah Dennis, Jean-Frédéric Levesque, Mark Harris, *Wiley Online Library*.

People

- **Patrick Harris - Senior Research Fellow & Acting Deputy Director, CHETRE**
Patrick research interests include health and health equity as cross cutting public policy issues, specifically within urban and regional planning and infrastructure policy and planning, and the use of impact assessment to improve public health. He has been chief investigator in competitive research and has regularly consulted for and collaborates with government and non-government agencies including the World Health Organisation.
- **Phoebe Lee – Independent Learning Projects (ILP) student**
Phoebe is a fourth year medical student at UNSW currently undertaking the Independent Research Project at CPHCE. She currently exploring the barriers for the Australian Deaf Community in accessing primary health care and potential facilitators of communication between Deaf signers and GPs. The goal of her research is to improve the Deaf Community's access to not only primary health care but also preventive medicine.

Communication & Education

- We are developing a communication strategy which aims to increase engagement with our collaborators. **We would like to hear from you on how we could improve our communications. Please send your suggestions and feedback to cphce@unsw.edu.au or simply reply to this email.**
- The Inequalities and Health course for Master of Public Health is being prepared online however it has been cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19.

Media Release & Blogs

Ben Harris-Roxas – Director of HERDU has written a few pieces of article in regards to the Covid19 pandemic:

- [‘Can coronavirus spread through food? Can anti-inflammatories like ibuprofen make it worse? Coronavirus claims checked by experts’](#) published by The Conversation.
- [‘So you want to wear a mask in public?’](#) published by Inside Story.
- [‘Why Trump’s media allies are turning against Fauci amid the pandemic’](#) published by The Guardian.

Jinhee Kim – CHETRE researcher & PhD candidate has also written a couple of articles as well as one podcast on South Korea responses to the Covid19 pandemic:

- [‘COVID-19: Lessons from South Korea’s quick response’](#) published by Croakey.
- [‘South Korea flattening the curve – testing is vital, but so is tracing and tracking’](#) published by Croakey.
- [‘Episode 2: Journalism Jeopardy and Patient 31 - lessons from South Korea’](#) podcast by Croakey.

Margo Barr – Director has been interviewed by The Canberra Times on Covid19:

- [‘Love in the time of coronavirus’](#) written by Jenna Price, published by The Canberra Times.

Freddy Sitas being interviewed by The George Institute on Covid19 with smoking related issues:

- [‘Are smokers more likely catch Covid19?’](#) written by Christine Jenkins, published by the UNSW newsroom.

A piece of blog article written by Andrew Reid and Siggi Zapart on Covid19:

- [‘The social gradient of COVID-19’](#) CHETRE Website

Follow CPHCE on Twitter



Follow us!



