

CPHCE Bi-monthly Newsletter

August 2021



Highlights

- **The HERDU team have been assisting the vaccination effort in underserved communities.** HERDU Director Fiona Haigh and Miriam Olliek has been helping with planning and operations; Jude Page, Shoko Saito and Miriam Olliek have been out at Pop Up Vaccination clinics in Lakemba, Belmore, Riverwood and Campsie. Shoko Saito has also been conducting injections for the vaccinations and Chris Standen has been helping to link different data sets and develop a whole new rostering system.
- Due to the current lockdown restrictions in Sydney, we will be transitioning this year's forum to a Live Stream format. **The 2021 CPHCE Annual Forum will be held online on Wednesday 13th October 2021 from 9 am till 12 pm.**

Projects

- **Bilingual Community Navigators** - We are currently in the process of discussing with the practice about the time and modality of the pilot intervention. 11 Community Health Workers are recruited, who received 4 hours of induction training, 20 hours of structured online training for Bilingual Community Navigator, and currently attending the periodic workshops with case discussion. Four general practices in Sydney initially agreed to participate in the pilot intervention and we received ethical approval for the pilot intervention where trained BCNs will be placed in the practice to help solve the navigation problems faced by people from culturally and linguistically diverse background suffering from chronic illnesses.
- **Non-admitted Patient Data now part of CES-P&CH** - Due to the continued success of the program of work, and the ongoing research and evaluation needs of our partners in relation to access and interaction between primary care, community health care and hospital care, our partners (SLHD, SESLHD and CESPHN) have agreed to continue funding the program of work until June 30, 2024. Because of this we have extended the ethics approval to that date and recently updated the resource with data up to the end of 2020 (new wave of 45 and Up study data, primary care records, prescribing information, emergency department records, cancer registry, hospital records and vital statistics). We also for the first time have been able to link to community health records and outpatient data (from 1 July 2017 to 31 December 2020). We have 3,414,700 NAP records on 148,971 persons in the cohort (about 55.9% of the cohort). We have already begun looking at this data to with regard to management of diabetes and CVD, and exploring way to improve the transition from hospital to the community.

Publications

- [Power and the people's health](#)
By Patrick Harris & more
- [Impact of racism and discrimination on physical and mental health among Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander peoples living in Australia: a systematic scoping review](#)
By Uday Narayan Yadav & more
- [Schools of public health in Europe: common mission—different progress](#)
By Evelyn de Leeuw & more
- [Psychotropic medicine prescribing and polypharmacy for people with dementia entering residential aged care: the influence of changing general practitioners](#)
By Mark Harris & more
- [Supporting Newly Arrived Migrant Mothers: A Pilot Health Literacy Intervention](#)
By Mark Harris, Jane Lloyd & more
- [Re-examining the gap: A critical realist analysis of eye health inequity among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians](#)
By Aryati Yashadhana
- [Health experts slam Labor's support for inequitable tax system](#). Invest in health equity
By Evelyn de Leeuw
- [Cultivating mindfulness: evaluation of a community-based mindfulness program for Arabic-speaking women in Australia](#)
By Cathy O'Callaghan & more
- [Access and communication for deaf individuals in Australian primary care](#)
By Phoebe Lee, Catherine Spooner and Mark Harris
- [Under the spotlight: understanding the role of the Chief Medical Officer in a pandemic](#)
By Aryati Yashadhana, Patrick Harris, Evelyn de Leeuw and more
- [Global, regional, and national burden of respiratory tract cancers and associated risk factors from 1990 to 2019: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2019](#)
By Freddy Sitas and more
- [Spatial, temporal, and demographic patterns in prevalence of smoking tobacco use and attributable disease burden in 204 countries and territories, 1990–2019: a systematic analysis from the Global Burden of Disease Study 2019](#)
By Freddy Sitas and more
- [Promoting the get healthy information and coaching service \(GHS\) in Australian-Chinese communities: facilitators and barriers](#)
By Cathy O'Callaghan, An Tran, Ben Harris-Roxas & more
- [Intersectional Action](#)
By Evelyn de Leeuw
- [Work, income and health inequity: A snapshot of the evidence. ACOSS/UNSW Sydney poverty and Inequality Partnership Report](#)
By Evelyn de Leeuw, Kaniz Fatema, Freddy Sitas & more

People

Mamta Porwal, Research Program Manager

Mamta Porwal joined the team at CPHCE as a Research Program Manager in mid-August 2021. Mamta is working on the NHMRC funded grant titled Community Health Workers Extending Care in the Community (CHECC) project four days per week. She also holds a position at the Translational Cancer Research Network working on the Surgical Oncology Flagship Program and the Health Science Alliance Biobank. Mamta has extensive experience working in public health research, project management, community engagement and data linkage.

Communication & Education

- **PhD student Uday Narayan Yadav has received National Health Research Award from Nepal Health Research Council, Government of Nepal.** This is an open-category prestigious award given to one researcher in recognition to their significant research contribution in Nepal. He has dedicated this award to his parents and his supervisors (Mark Harris & Jane Lloyd).
- Prof Mark Harris and staff member / PhD student Uday Narayan Yadav, Kath Thorburn, Sabuj Kanti Mistry, Katrina Baikie, Vera Buss, Cathy O'Callaghan all presented at the [AAAPC 2021](#)

[Annual Research Conference Online](#) on 12th August 2021 – 13th August 2021.

- **Prof Mark Harris presented 'Socioeconomic Differentials in Obesity in Australia'** at the [Socioeconomic inequalities in obesity epidemiology - ICOMES 2021](#), Korean Society for the Study of Obesity on 2nd September 2021.

Events

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The online forum is free to attend and registrations are now open at this [link](#). A streaming link will be sent to all registrants prior to the Online Forum. If you have previously registered for the CPHCE Face to Face Annual Forum please register again at this link as these are two different events.

This year A/Prof Victoria Palmer from Melbourne Medical School, University of Melbourne will present the 2021 Ian Webster "Health for All" Oration.

- **UNSW Disability Innovation Institute webinar on June 2021**

Recording of this webinar is available to watch [here](#).

At this webinar, Dr Catherine Spooner and Dr Peri O'Shea spoke about their research on access to primary care for people with severe mental illness. The webinar took us through their research methodology, and they explained that a consumer-inclusive and partnered approach is needed to provide the best care for people with severe mental illness accessing services.

Media Release & Blogs

- Evelyne de Leeuw was quoted in a piece of article at 'The Australian' on Friday 13 August 2021.
- Article '[Inequity in health – we can't handle the truth](#)' written by Evelyne de Leeuw published at Croakey Health Media

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