

CPHCE Bi-monthly Newsletter

July – August 2022



Highlights

- CPHCE is pleased to share our latest [Strategic Plan](#) with you. This plan is in alignment with the newly developed plans of UNSW Faculty Medicine and Health, and the UNSW School of Population Health.
- CPHCE Annual Forum was successfully held on Tuesday 30th August 2022 at 9am, thank you all for attending the Forum. Please visit [this page](#) to find more information about Forum.

Projects

- **CHECC Study – Community Health Workers extending care into the community**
Sharon Parker has been appointed as the trial coordinator and An Tran as Project Officer. The Planned Care Team at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital are in the process of recruiting two Community Health Workers/Navigators who will providing the intervention. After some delay, the trial is aiming to begin patient recruitment in early October.
- **Clozapine Shared e-Care Plans (Funded through the Mindgardens Neuroscience Network)**
We are currently recruiting consumers and their usual GPs. A shared electronic care plan is being used to share the tasks and responsibilities and support communication between the Euroa Clinic and GPs. Consumers and other agreed care team members can access the care plan.
- **Cancer shared e-care plans for breast and colorectal cancers follow-up (Funded by the Avant Foundation)**
This study is a quasi-experimental study comparing patients in the intervention with patients in usual follow-up care and is being run through the South Eastern Sydney Cancer Services at St George and Prince of Wales Hospitals. We are currently recruiting patients who have completed active treatment for breast or colorectal cancers and have a usual GP. If you would like further information on either of these studies contact Jane Taggart
- **CPHCE Advisory Group**
We presented some of our work to the CPHCE Advisory Group, chaired by Dr Greg Stewart, on our role in the NSW COVID-19 response, and in Sydney Local Health District, our International insights about the fine line Chief Health Officers play between evidence and politics, the effect of COVID-19 and on financial strain and approaches to mitigation of long COVID-19. We reflected on the ability of Universities to pivot rapidly to respond to the pandemic by providing logistical support and also rapid evidence on how to deal with specific issues such as responses to vaccinations. We had discussions about how fine mapping of COVID-19 clusters against public housing assisted Sydney Local Health District in planning the placement of pop-up vaccination centres, home visits and clinics and the key role rapid Equity Focused Health Impact Assessments informed local responses. We also presented on the underappreciated role smoking and vaping plays on lower respiratory tract infections, especially among disadvantaged groups, and cost effective data driven methods of understanding and monitoring these.

People

Dr Esther Alloun, Health Equity Research Associate

Esther (she/her) started working at CPHCE at the end of 2021 and has joined HERDU as the Health Equity Research Associate in August 2022. As a qualitative social researcher, she has had experience assisting on many university and government funded projects working towards social inclusion and justice since 2012. Her PhD research completed in 2020 contributed a participant-led understanding of how communities with diverse identities and significant differences in economic and social resources can engage in collective action. At HERDU, she loves corridor chats about qualitative methods, critical realism or theories of intersectionality. With the HERDU team, she will continue to conduct research focusing on people's trajectories through healthcare, responses to inequities and social determinants of health, and the relationships between place and health & wellbeing.

Publications

- [Remotely Conducted App-Based Intervention for Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes Risk Awareness and Prevention: Single-Group Feasibility Trial](#)
By Vera Buss, Mark Harris, Margo Barr & more
- [Special Issue on Tobacco Cessation](#)
By Freddy Sitas & more
- [Impact of multimorbidity and complex multimorbidity on mortality among older Australians aged 45 years and over: a large population-based record linkage study](#)
By Alamgir Kabir, An Tran, Margo Barr & more
- [Inequity in Access and Delivery of Virtual Care Interventions: A Scoping Review](#)
By Sabuj Kanti Mistry, Saito Shoko, Ben Harris-Roxas, Fiona Haigh & more
- [What gets measured does not always get done](#)
By Patrick Harris & more
- [Using systems thinking to assess the functioning of an "Age-Friendly City" governance network in Australia](#)
By Tracey Ma, Evelyn de Leeuw & more
- [The global burden of cancer attributable to risk factors, 2010–19: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2019](#)
By Freddy Sitas & more
- [Scoping the needs, roles and implementation of bilingual community navigators in general practice settings](#)
By Sabuj Kanti Mistry, Elizabeth Harris, Mark Harris & more

Communication & Education

- Esther Alloun was awarded for the 'Professor Jim Hagan Memorial Prize'. The prize is awarded to the student with the best PhD thesis completed in Humanities and Social Inquiry in 2021 at the University of Wollongong. She attended the ceremony for the Faculty of the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities at the University of Wollongong on 22nd August 2022.



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This year's theme was **Refugee and Immigrant Health** and the keynote speakers were **Dr Mitchell Smith, Director, NSW Refugee Health Service, SWSLHD** and **Ms Sundus Yousif, a SWSLHD Bi-Lingual Community Educator**. A/Prof Fiona Haigh facilitated the second session of the Forum. Dr. Esther Alloun from CPHCE presented 'Refugee place-making in high-income resettlement countries: what contributes to health and wellbeing?' Prof Mark Harris and Sabuj Kanti Mistry from CPHCE also co presented 'Optimise -links to navigation roles'.



The Forum was recorded and the recordings will be uploaded on the [CPHCE website](#) once it's available. You can also visit [this page](#) to find presentations slides of the Forum.

Events

- **Bilingual Community Health Navigator Forum**
We are organising a workshop style event in October to celebrate and raise awareness of work already done to explore potential and effectiveness of Bilingual Community Health Navigators as a strength based approach; to discuss potential for further development of this including new workforce roles to act as a bridge between patients, community, and health services. This workshop is in partnership with Sydney Local Health District (SLHD), Central and Eastern Sydney Primary Health Network (CESPHN), and the CPHCE at UNSW.

Media Release & Blogs

- Evelyne de Leeuw spoke at State Library of NSW on [How do we design a happier and healthier Sydney?](#)
- [Adapting place-based initiatives to a hybrid world](#) by Evelyne de Leeuw

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