

# PaCCSC Annual Research Forum 2020 Program

Thursday 12 March

9.00 – 9.30	Registration	Aerial UTS Function Centre Building 10   Level 7   235 Jones Street Ultimo	
9.30 – 9.40	<b>Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country</b>	<b>Professor Attila Brungs</b> Vice-Chancellor and President, UTS	Session Chair: Professor Jane Phillips
9.40 – 10.00	<b>Invited speaker:</b> Directions for clinical research in palliative care – a PCA perspective	<b>Professor Meera Agar</b> Chair, Palliative Care Australia	
10.00 – 10.45	<b>Keynote speaker:</b> The good, the bad, and the ugly: my clinical trials experience	<b>Professor Christine Ritchie</b> Minaker Chair in Geriatrics and Director of Research, Division of Palliative Care and Geriatric Medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital	
10.45 – 11.15	<b>Morning tea and poster viewing</b>		
11.15 – 11.45	<b>Study results:</b> Missing data in palliative care clinical trials	<b>Dr Jamilla Hussain</b> National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Lecturer, Wolfson Palliative Care Research Centre, Hull York Medical School	Session Chair: Professor Katherine Clark
11.45 – 12.15	<b>Guest speaker:</b> What is a feasibility study?	<b>Professor Andrew Hayen</b> Professor of Biostatistics and Acting Lead, Discipline of Public Health, Faculty of Health, UTS	
12.15 – 12.30	<b>New study:</b> BETTER-B	<b>Professor David Currow</b> PaCCSC Chief Investigator	
12.30 – 1.30	<b>Lunch and poster viewing</b>		
1.30 – 2.15	<b>Guest speaker:</b> Controlled trials – the good, the bad the ugly	<b>Distinguished Professor Patsy Yates</b> Head, School of Nursing, Queensland university of Technology and Director for Queensland Health's Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education (CPCRE)	Session Chair: Dr Slavica Kochovska
2.15 – 2.30	<b>Qualitative Research Subcommittee Update</b>	<b>Professor Jenny Philip</b> Chair of Palliative Medicine, University of Melbourne, St Vincent's Hospital & Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre (VCCC)	
2.30 – 3.00	<b>Study results:</b> Has the <i>Risperidone and haloperidol in delirium</i> study influenced clinical practice?	<b>Associate Professor Annmarie Hosie</b> Associate Professor, Palliative Care Nursing The University of Notre Dame	
3.00 – 3.30	<b>Afternoon tea and poster viewing</b>		
3.30 – 4.00	<b>Symptom Node Subcommittee Presentations:</b> overview of work and future directions	<b>Dr Slavica Kochovska (on behalf of the Chair)</b> Breathlessness <b>Professor Katherine Clark (Chair)</b> Gut dysfunction <b>Dr Rachel Campbell (on behalf of the Chairs)</b> Sleep <b>Professor Meera Agar (Chair)</b> Cognitive and neurological disorders	

4.00 – 4.15	<b>Study results:</b> Genetics of response to sustained-release morphine for chronic breathlessness – an exploratory study.	<b>Dr Diana Ferreira</b> , PhD Candidate	<b>Session Chair:</b> <b>Dr Slavica Kochovska</b>
4.15 – 4.30	<b>Study results:</b> A systematic review on the prevalence of clinically significant depressive symptoms in people with advanced life-limiting illnesses and extremely short prognoses	<b>Dr Wei Lee</b> , Clinical Research Fellow, Sacred Heart Hospital/PhD Scholar	
4.30 – 4.45	<b>Study results:</b> Multiple perspectives on the use of palliative oxygen for the relief of breathlessness: evidence from qualitative studies	<b>Dr Slavica Kochovska</b> , Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, UTS	
4.45 – 5.00	<b>Close</b>	<b>Professor David Currow</b> PaCCSC Chief Investigator	

## Guest speakers

### Professor Christine Ritchie, Md, MSPH



Christine Ritchie is the Minaker Chair in Geriatrics and Director of Research for the Division of Palliative Care and Geriatric Medicine at

Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). She is a board-certified geriatrician and palliative care physician and conducts research focused on optimizing quality of life for those with chronic serious illness and multimorbidity. As a clinician investigator, she has experience in informatics, mixed methods research, and implementation science and has conducted a number of clinical trials in vulnerable populations.

She co-leads the NINR-funded Palliative Care Research Cooperative and the national Home-based Primary Care and Palliative Care Network, which seeks to improve our understanding and care of the homebound population. Dr. Ritchie is establishing a Center for Aging and Serious Illness Research in the MGH Mongan Institute. The Center is designed to bring together researchers who will focus on improving the well-being of older adults and enhancing the lived experience of those with advanced illnesses, applying methods from intervention, implementation, population health, and health policy research.

### Professor Andrew Hayen



Professor Andrew Hayen Andrew is Professor of Biostatistics and Acting Lead of the Discipline of Public Health in the Faculty of Health UTS. Andrew is

the coordinator of the Master of Public Health

course and a member of the Australian Centre for Public and Population Health Research. Andrew is a graduate of the NSW Biostatistics Training Program. Andrew is the past President of the Australasian Epidemiological Association

### Distinguished Professor Patsy Yates

Distinguished Professor Patsy Yates is jointly appointed as Head, School of Nursing at Queensland University of Technology and



Director for Queensland Health's state-wide Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education (CPCRE). Her research is focused on improving

management of symptoms and innovations in palliative care service delivery. She is currently President of the International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care. She is also a Fellow and Chair of the End of Life Policy Chapter for the Australian College of Nursing and is a Fellow the American Academy of Nursing.

### Dr Jamilla Hussain



Dr Jamilla Hussain is an NIHR Clinical Lecturer at the Wolfson Palliative Care Research Centre at Hull York Medical School. She has an interest in research

methodology and how to improve the value of palliative care research and therefore clinical care. She is currently completing her PhD which focused on missing data.