

An Invitation: 2012 Community Health Panel Discussion



About the Facilitator



Virginia Haussegger is the face of ABC TV News Canberra. She is an award winning journalist, author and social commentator whose extensive media career spans over 20 years.

Her work has taken her around the world, reporting for Australia's leading current affairs programs on Channel 9, The 7 Network and the ABC.

Virginia is a recipient of the United Nations Association Media Peace Prize for her coverage of Indigenous affairs, and has also won various accolades for her role as a communicator.

Virginia is an Adjunct Professor at UC's ANZSOG Institute and a highly sought after speaker and active community member.

3 Reasons to Attend

1. Hear different views on mental health issues
2. Participate in a Q&A
3. Network over refreshments

UC Faculty of Health

The Faculty produces high quality graduates and leading research in the areas of Psychology, Nursing, Midwifery, Pharmacy, Occupational Therapy, Sports Studies, Physiotherapy, Nutrition and Dietetics, and Public Health.

UC Alumni Network

The role of the Network is to support the University of enabling graduates, friends, and former staff to be actively involved in the life and growth of Australia's Capital University.

Good emotional and mental health is a critical and topical issue which impacts people across all of society; from athletes and prisoners to executives, mums and dads, the homeless, children, Indigenous Australians and more. This special panel is being convened by UC's Faculty of Health and Alumni Network to bring some of Australia's leading academics, practitioners, and opinion leaders together for an engaging public forum to discuss:

THE SOCIETY'S RESPONSIBILITY IN LOOKING AFTER THE EMOTIONAL HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITY

Facilitated by the ABC's Virginia Haussegger, the panel will include AMA General Secretary Francis Sullivan, UC public health researcher Prof Helen Berry, ACT Mental Health Consumer Representative David Lovegrove, former Wallabies star Joe Roff and Inaugural Chair of Indigenous Health Prof Lisa Jackson Pulver.

This is an open, public event, but [registration](#) is essential.

This will be a Q&A style discussion. If you would like to submit a question to ask the panel, please email it to alumni@canberra.edu.au.

EVENT DETAILS

DATE Monday, 29 October 2012

TIME 5:30pm - 8:30pm

LOCATION Building 1, Refectory, University of Canberra

RSVP Please [register](#) your attendance here.

Drinks and canapes will be served on arrival and there will be an opportunity for discussion after the event.

ABOUT THE PANEL MEMBERS



Francis Sullivan has been the Secretary General of the Australian Medical Association (AMA) since 2008. He represents the interests of over 27,000 doctors from all specialities and locations across Australia. Before joining the AMA, Francis spent 14 years as the CEO of Catholic Health Australia (CHA), speaking for 73 private and public hospitals and more than 500 aged care services nationwide.



Professor Helen Berry is a Research Fellow in psychiatric epidemiology and Deputy Director of the Centre for Research and Action in Public Health at UC. Her research involves developing, merging and analysing panel and climate data to better understand the interrelationships between climate change, complex disadvantage, community connectedness and mental health.



David Lovegrove has been a mental health consumer representative for over nine years. He is the Vice President of the ACT Mental Health Coalition, a board member to the newly formed national body "Community Mental Health Australia" and an advocate with the ACT Mental Health Consumer Network. David is also on executive and other committees of the ACT Government's Health Directorate.



Joe Roff is a former Wallabies and Brumbies player, and spent over 10 years playing professional Rugby Union on the world stage before retiring at 29. Joe is currently CEO of the UC Union and previously held the role of Director of Workforce Development of Lifeline Australia. He holds a Bachelor of Applied Finance from USQ and Master of Arts in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from Oxford University.



Professor Lisa Jackson Pulver holds the Inaugural Chair of Indigenous Health and is a Professor of Public Health at UNSW. She is also Director of Murrumbidgee Indigenous Health Unit, Wing Commander in the RAAF Specialist Reserve (Public Health Epidemiologist), is an Adjunct Professor at UC and in 2011 was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM). As an Aboriginal woman, Lisa is acutely aware of the lack of available data to identify underlying Indigenous Health issues in the context of health across the lifespan.

Remember to [register](#), and we look forward to seeing you there!



ALUMNI
University of Canberra

UC Alumni Network
University of Canberra, ACT 2601 Australia

Tel: +61 2 6206 3959
Email: alumni@canberra.edu.au