

IHF World Hospital Congress keynote speakers announced



The first keynote speakers for the <u>42nd World Hospital Congress</u> have been announced! The World Hospital Congress will be held on 10-12 October in Brisbane, Australia and health sector leaders and patients will be examining the question "How can healthcare evolve to meet 21st century demands?"

Each day will look at this question from a different angle. On day one, under the sub-theme "From Volume to Value" the topics covered will address the global movement that is changing the focus of hospitals from volume of services and activities to the value of outcomes achieved.

Along with respected leaders from the value-based healthcare movement you will hear from <u>Chris Pointon</u>, co-founder of #hellomynameis as he shares the inspiring story of the campaign that he and his late wife Dr Kate Granger MBE founded to improve patient care through the basic message of introductions.

Day two's sub-theme "From Four Walls to the Neighbourhood" will examine the role of hospitals in the broader medical community, how primary, acute and community care can be better integrated and how integrated approaches can provide better health outcomes.

Integrated care innovation, education and research expert Prof Claire Jackson from the University of Queensland will provide insights into health system reform and integration during her keynote speech.

Nigel Edwards, Chief Executive of Nuffield Trust will share his views, along with many he has collected from the clinicians and managers he meets and works with, on the transformation required to build high-performing health systems.

The sub-theme for the final day of the congress "From Information to Intelligence" will look at the impact the information and technology revolution has had, but more importantly the impact it will have in the future.

<u>Prof Jeffrey Braithwaite</u>, Foundation Director of the Australian Institute of Health Innovation in Macquarie University will bring together research on health reform in 152 countries and territories to examine how health systems are heading towards and dealing with issues such as universal healthcare, affordability and resource allocation and coping with shifting population dynamics.

Other keynote speakers confirmed to date are Dr Daphne Khoo, Deputy Director Medical Services (Healthcare Performance Group) of the Ministry of Health Singapore, Harold F. Wolf III, President & CEO of HIMSS, Melissa Thomason, Patient and Family Advisor from the USA, and Dr Karen Knight, General Manager Advocacy and Engagement / QLD, NSW & NT Client Services at Vision Australia.

More will be announced soon. To find out more about these speakers, click here.

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