2nd Western Pacific Mass Gathering Events and Health Symposium



24th and 25th June 2024

Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia MassGatherings.com.au/symposium-2024

PROGRAM

Monday 24th June 2024

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0830	Registration, tea and coffee
0900	Opening session Session Chair: Jamie Ranse
0900	Opening remarks for the Symposium organisers Jamie Ranse, Mass Gathering Collaboration, Griffith University
0910	Setting the scene Jamie Ranse, Mass Gathering Collaboration, Griffith University
0920	Keynote speaker Kris Spaepen
1000	Rural and Remote Mass Gatherings Session Chair: Jamie Ranse
1000	Finke Desert Race Craig Garraway, St John Ambulance Australia (NT)
1015	The impact of mass gathering events on remote health care services and communities Susan Wilkes, Central West Hospital and Health Service, Birdsville, Australia
1030	Morning Tea / Networking
1100	Risk and risk assessments Session Chair: Leonie Lockstone-Binney
1100	Rethinking crowded places: Creating safe and healthy areas for mass gathering Sarah Smorhun, Charles Sturt University, Bathurst, Australia
1115	Strengthening mass gatherings planning: creating a user friendly all-hazards risk assessment tool Lucia Mullen, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, WHO Collaborating Centre on Global Health Security, Baltimore, USA
1130	Factors affecting patient presentation and transfer to hospital rates during mass gathering stadium events: A scoping review Nazneen Sultana, Griffith University
1145	Using psychosocial factors to reduce harm and promote health at mass gatherings Angela Driscoll, Haven Crowd Care
1200	Discussion panel: Risk and risk assessment Paul Barnes, Lucia Mullen, Kris Spaepen
1230	Lunch / Networking

1330	2023 Pacific Games: public health preparedness
	Session Chair: Peta-Anne Zimmerman
1330	Health threatening hazards risk-assessment approach in mass gathering event,
	Solomon Islands, November-December 2023
	Salanieta T Saketa, Pacific Community, Suva, Fiji
1345	Interagency planning and collaboration to strengthen enhanced surveillance in a
	multi-sport mass gathering event: The Sol2023 Pacific Games experience
	Salanieta T Saketa, Pacific Community, Suva, Fiji
1400	Digitalization of syndromic surveillance and timely reporting in the Sol2023 Pacific
	Games
	Bobby Teobasi, Solomon Islands Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Honiara,
	Solomon Islands
1415	Sol2023 Pacific Games integrated surveillance system implementation and decision-
	making
	Cynthia Joshua, Solomon Islands Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Honiara,
	Solomon Islands
1430	Enhanced Laboratory Surveillance for Sol2023 Pacific Games
	Majory Kwaina, Solomon Islands Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Honiara,
	Solomon Islands
1445	Risk communication and community engagement for effective mass gathering
	management, Solomon Islands, November-December 2023
	Anne Toncan Eli, Solomon Islands Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Honiara,
	Solomon Islands
1500	Afternoon Tea / Networking
1530	Health capacity and capability
	Session Chair: Jamie Ranse
1530	Keynote speaker
	Paul Arbon, Torrens Resilience Initiative, Flinders University, Australia
1615	Mass gathering capacities and systems to strengthen GHS: Using the legacy and
	evaluation of mass gatherings to strengthen health systems
	Tina Endericks, UK Health Security Agency
1630	Discussion panel: Emerging threats
	Paul Arbon, Alan Eade, Iain MacKenzie

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1715	Networking event commences
	Uni Bar Gold Coast. The Link (G07), Griffith University. Sponsored by 1300MEDICS EVENT Powered by 1300MEDICS
1900	Conclusion

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0830	Registration, Tea and Coffee
0900	Olympics Session Chair: Jamie Ranse
0900	Opening remarks and day one summary Jamie Ranse, Mass Gathering Collaboration, Griffith University
0910	Opening remarks from Griffith University Caroline Riot, Director, Games Partnerships and Engagement, Griffith University
0925	Keynote speaker Tina Endericks, UK Health Security Agency
1015	Learning from Tokyo 2020 and Beijing 2022: Mitigating Spread of Respiratory Diseases at Future Olympic Games Lucia Mullen, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
1030	Morning Tea / Networking
1100	Youth and mass gatherings Session Chair: Alison Hutton
1100	LGBTQIA+ events: An examination of identity enactment and wellbeing. Faith Ong, School of Business, The University of Queensland
1115	Recreational drug use and checking patterns prior to outdoor music festivals: A survey of young adult festival attendees Alison Hutton, Western Sydney University, Australia.
1130	Safer Schoolies Initiative: Gold Coast Response Tracey Chase, Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts, Queensland Government
1145	Promoting Health at Gold Coast Youth Events Katherine Cacavas, Gold Coast Public Health Unit, Gold Coast Health
1200	Discussion panel –Interagency collaboration: Alison Hutton, Tim Piatkowski, Ethan Dooley
1230	Lunch / Networking
1330	Lessons learned and case studies Session Chair: Jamie Ranse
1330	Rogue Operators in Event First Aid Jaala Downes, Senior Scientific Officer, WA Department of Health

1345	Do current mass casualty incident models fit in mass gathering events?
	Jamie Mann-Farrar, St John Ambulance Australia (Queensland)
1400	Ningaloo Total Solar Eclipse 2023
	Stacey Abbott, St John WA
1415	Filling a gap of mass gatherings medical planning: development of a model based on
	the WHO Emergency Medical Teams' (EMT) methodology [pre-recorded
	presentation]
	Ninglan Wang / Flavio Salio, Health Emergencies Programme, World Health
	Organization
1430	Clinical Governance - A Journey
	Ethan Dooley, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, 1300MEDICS
1445	Enrolled Nurses in mass gathering leadership?
	Frazer Petrie, St John Ambulance Australia (Queensland)
1500	Service Synergy – "Bringing a Team Together"
	Kate Carmody, National Clinical Manager, 1300MEDICS
1515	Afternoon Tea / Networking
1545	Public and environmental health
	Session Chair: Sharon Jurd
1545	Enhanced Surveillance at the 7th MACFEST in Port Vila
	Wendy Williams, Vanuatu Ministry of Health, Port Vila, Vanuatu
1600	Syndromic surveillance: Identifying and interrupting the spread of infectious
	diseases at mass gathering events
	Victoria Marriott, Gold Coast Public Health Unit, Queensland Health and The National
	Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, The Australian National University
1615	Day in the Life of an Environmental Health Officer During a Mass Gathering Event
	Alysse Regan, Metro South Public Health Unit, Queensland Health
1630	Discussion panel: Lessons learned
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1030	Tudor Codreanu, Tina Endericks, Kristy Austin
1655	

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Mass Gathering focused

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Enhanced public health surveillance in the mass gathering for the XVII Pacific Games in Honiara, Solomon Islands, November–December 2023

Cynthia Joshua