

Time (AEST)	Friday 29 July 2022 (please note this schedule is subject to change)
09:00 – 09:05	Conference Open
09:05 – 09:35	Journey to the UK and back! Priya Reddy, Paramedic, Ambulance Victoria
09:35 – 09:50	Understanding Paramedics' Experiences of Everyday Racism in Australia Pavani Subramaniam, Paramedicine Honours Student, Charles Sturt University
09:50 – 10:30	Student Wellbeing: How can we improve clinical placement experience? Dr Matt Warren-James Lecturer, Paramedic Science University of the Sunshine Coast and Julie Johnson, Education Manager, Australasian College of Paramedicine
10:30 – 11:00	Morning Tea
11:00 – 11:20	Clinical Placements – Student Perspectives and Experiences Alessia Restiglian and Min-Song Kang, Australasian College of Paramedicine Student Committee Co-Chairs
11:20 – 11:35	Understanding paramedic knowledge of fatigue risk management strategies Rhianna Scott, Bachelor of Paramedicine (Honours) Student, Charles Sturt University
11:35 – 12:05	Practical tips to improve your patient care Levi Karschimkus, Paramedic and clinical instructor, Ambulance Victoria
12:05 – 12:20	A review of the efficacy of chest compressions and physiological responses during cardiopulmonary resuscitation performed with and without metronome guidance. Claudia Hodges, Undergraduate paramedic honours student, Charles Sturt University
12:20 – 12:50	Looking after yourself as a student and throughout your career Sam Peart, MICA Paramedic Ambulance Victoria and Lecturer at Monash University
12:50 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:10	You create your future: paramedicine registration and shifting paramedic education Craig B Campbell, Senior Lecturer and postgraduate course coordinator in Paramedicine, University of Tasmania (Rozelle Campus, Sydney)
14:10 – 14:25	The Effects of Work-Integrated Learning on Situational Awareness Amongst Undergraduate Paramedicine Students: A Preliminary Study Georgia Sirec, Higher Degree Research Student at Western Sydney University
14:25 – 15:00	Oh, the Places You'll Go! Ryan Parry, MICA Paramedic Intern, Ambulance Victoria, Teaching Associate, Monash University And Wilderness Medic, Endurance Medical Services
15:00 – 15:20	Afternoon Tea
15:20 – 15:50	From Ambulance Driver to Healthcare Professional; one older paramedic's journey Howard Wills, Paramedic lecturer Whitireia New Zealand
15:50 – 17:00	Panel Discussion – Paramedicine Career Paths Alisha McFarlane, Intensive Care Paramedic and Lecturer, Charles Sturt University Chris Harn, Intern Paramedic, St. John's Ambulance NT Alec Bouchier, Advanced Care Paramedic 2, Queensland Ambulance Service Zoe Farmer, Flight Crew Medic and Winch Operator, GCH Aviation, Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust Bernadette Jauncey, Senior Clinical Support Officer and Senior Paramedic, QAS Tom Kelsey, Critical Care Paramedic and Clinical Support Officer, QAS
17:00 – 17:05	Conference Close

SESSION OVERVIEWS

Priya Reddy

Journey to the UK and back!

In this short session I'll be chatting to you about my journey from completing my Bachelors here in Melbourne to working in a new country/service and then bringing all that knowledge and skills back to Victoria. I'll give you some pointers on applications, how to transition services and my tips and tricks for surviving the big move!

Pavani Subramaniam

Understanding Paramedics' Experiences of Everyday Racism in Australia

Paramedics originate from diverse backgrounds; however, minority groups remain underrepresented, disadvantaged and discriminated in the job. Pavani will be telling the stories of paramedics from across the country who have experienced or witnessed everyday racism on the job. This session will discuss how and why these incidences continue to occur by exploring the training, culture, environment and support systems available to Australian paramedics.

Dr Matt Warren-James and Julie Johnson

Student Wellbeing: How can we improve clinical placement experience?

ACP recognises that effective preceptorship is vital in the preparation of paramedic students for a challenging work environment. This interactive session will present the most up-to-date research regarding preceptorship and provide you with the opportunity to join a growing conversation about the current state of preceptorship in Australasia. We want to hear about the good, the bad and the ugly so that we can work to improve the status quo.

Levi Karschimkus

Practical tips to improve your patient care

Levi will share some practical tips that he learned during his early career years to help you optimise your patient care - advice not necessarily including in the textbooks. He'll also identify some traps for young players and explore some common myths associated with dogmatic practice.

Alessia Restiglian and Min-Song Kang

Clinical Placements – Student Perspectives and Experiences

Our student committee chairs will be discussing topics such as: clinical placements, differences between the classroom and reality and how you can prepare yourself, as well as tips and advice, and how mistakes are an invaluable learning opportunity

Claudia Hodgess

A review of the efficacy of chest compressions and physiological responses during cardiopulmonary resuscitation performed with and without metronome guidance.

This session will include a review of the literature exploring the quality of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) when guided by no metronome versus a metronome. This was a systematic literature review that identified 20 journal articles of interest across four databases. Four key themes were developed; similarities and differences in the findings of CPR efficacy when using a metronome during CPR versus no metronome; combined use of a metronome with a visual feedback device for CPR procedure; dispatcher assisted CPR with a metronome; and physiologic responses and fatigue during CPR with and without a metronome.

Sam Peart

Looking after yourself as a student and throughout your career

Sam will be discussing the highs and lows of being an operational paramedic through a career. From dopamine to cortisol and night shift inducing caffeine addictions. This session is the crash course reality into the imposter syndrome roller coaster that is becoming a paramedic, with tips to help you be resilient to the challenges and embrace the good stuff.

Craig B Campbell

You create your future: paramedicine registration and shifting paramedic education

A brief reflection on the shift to higher education and professional registration as opportunity for innovation within the changing needs of the profession (looked at from the experience of different countries).

The shift from employer led to professional led. Practice that is more adaptable to the evolving needs of the community

Shaping your future – education as foundation for innovation in the profession

Georgia Sirec

The Effects of Work-Integrated Learning on Situational Awareness Amongst Undergraduate Paramedicine Students: A Preliminary Study

Situational Awareness (SA) is a pivotal non-technical paramedic skill, as it has significant impacts on paramedic safety, scene management and out-of-hospital practice. This presentation discusses the results of the pre-post study into the effect of work-integrated learning (WIL) on SA in undergraduate paramedic students completing their first placement.

Ryan Parry

Oh, the Places You'll Go!

Find out what adventures being in "the job" can bring! Where you might go, what roles you could work, and what can happen along the way.

Ryan draws upon the zig-zagged experiences he and a variety of his colleagues have lived to provide an enlightening and entertaining presentation to make student and qualified paramedics alike excited for what a career in the best job in the world can bring.

Howard Wills

From Ambulance Driver to Healthcare Professional; one older paramedic's journey

Howard will talk about the changes he has seen in paramedicine and how this has affected his practice. Points discussed will include the pace of change, resistance to change, paramedic wellbeing, racism, stigma, and how the practice has changed. The development of the vocational training system and how this affected the change to the tertiary model will also be discussed. It will conclude with his insights on where the profession may be heading.