



# C3.0 SUMMIT 2025 AGENDA



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## Plenary



**Facilitator:** Mr Peter Birch, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Talking HealthTech

## Summit opening and Acknowledgment of Country



**Speaker**

- Ms Amanda Cattermole PSM,  
Chief Executive Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency

## Welcome and address from the Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care



**Speaker**

- Honourable Ged Kearny MP,  
Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care

## Opening remarks



**Speakers**

- Ms Amanda Cattermole PSM,  
Chief Executive Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency



- Conjoint Professor Anne Duggan,  
Chief Executive Officer, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care

## Opening keynote



**Speaker**

- Dr John D. Halamka,  
President, M.D., M.S., Dwight and Dian Diercks President, Mayo Clinic Platform

## Plenary

### Pulse check: Opportunities for clinical governance in digital health



**Facilitator:** Mr Peter Birch, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Talking HealthTech

#### Speakers



• Dr Steve Hambleton, AM, Specialist Advisor, Australian Digital Health Agency



• Conjoint Professor Carolyn Hullick, Chief Medical Officer, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care



• Adjunct Professor Anna Thornton, Chief Nursing Officer, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care



• Ms Karen Booth, Chief Clinical Adviser, Nursing, Australian Digital Health Agency

### Clinical workflows, digitally enabled: Software vendors, clinicians and consumers working together



**Facilitator:** Mr Herbert Down, Clinical Governance and Assurance Branch Manager, Australian Digital Health Agency

#### Speakers



• Dr Simon Kos, Chief Medical Officer, Australia and New Zealand, Microsoft



• Dr Andrew Hugman, Clinical Director, Digital Health, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, emergency physician NSW Ambulance State Retrieval Consultant



• Professor Clair Sullivan, Director, Queensland Digital Health Centre, University of Queensland



• Ms Imelda Gilmore, Consumer and carer advocate

<b>Stream 1: CONNECT</b>	<b>Understanding Gen AI: Risks, challenges and opportunities for patient safety</b>
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**Speakers:**

- Professor Stacy Carter, Director, Australian Centre for Health Engagement, Evidence and Values, University of Wollongong



- Dr Jean-Frédéric Levesque, Deputy Secretary, Clinical Innovation and Research, NSW Health



- Dr Sharon Hakkennes, Chief Digital Health Officer, Victorian Department of Health

<b>Stream 2: CARE</b>	<b>Removing barriers to accessing care through technology</b>
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**Facilitator:** Mr Chris Boyd-Skinner, Director, Clinical Governance, Australian Digital Health Agency



**Speakers:**

- Ms Angela Ryan, Non-executive Director, Australasian Institute of Digital Health, Lead Healthcare Executive, Japan-Asia Pacific, Oracle Health



- Ms Krista Vanderheide, Assistant Secretary, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Division, Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care



- Mr Neville Board, Chief Digital Health Officer, Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network NSW

<b>Stream 3: CONFIDENCE</b>	<b>Building digital literacy for consumers and carers</b>
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**Facilitator:** Ms Anna Flynn, Director, Partnering with Consumers, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care



**Speakers:**

- Dr Edel O'Hagan, Research Fellow, Westmead Applied Research Centre



- Mr Mehmet Kavlakoglu, Digital Health Advisor, Consumer advocate

<b>Stream 1: CONNECT</b>	<b>Improving patient outcomes through data-driven healthcare</b>
	Facilitator: Mr Peter Birch, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Talking HealthTech
  	<b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Simon Cleverley, Assistant Secretary, Digital Health Branch, Medicare Benefits and Digital Health Division, Health Resourcing Group, Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care</li><li>• Mr Chris Leahy, Chief Operating Officer, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care</li><li>• Dr Zoran Bolevich, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare</li></ul>
<b>Stream 2: CARE</b>	<b>Developing healthcare technology for person-centred services – innovative approaches</b>
	Facilitator: Dr Steve Hambleton, AM, Specialist Advisor, Australian Digital Health Agency
 	<b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Professor Wendy Chapman, Director, Digital Transformation of Health, University of Melbourne</li><li>• Dr Anton van der Vegt, Advanced Queensland Industry Research Fellow, Centre for Health Services Research, University of Queensland</li></ul>
<b>Stream 3: CONFIDENCE</b>	<b>Interoperability in action</b>
	Facilitator: Mr Peter O'Halloran, Chief Digital Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency
  	<b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Reuben Daniels, Board Director, HL7 Australia and Deputy Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) Product Director, HL7 International</li><li>• Professor Charlotte Hespe, GP and Head of General Practice, Sydney School of Medicine, University of Notre Dame, Australia</li><li>• Associate Professor Naren Gunja, Chief Medical Information Officer, Western Sydney Health Local Health District</li></ul>

## Plenary

### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health: Building genuine partnerships to strengthen clinical governance practice



**Facilitator:** Mr David Edwards, Worimi Man and Director, WellMob website project, e-Mental Health in Practice

**Speakers**



- Dr Jason Agostino, Senior Medical Advisor, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO)



- Dr Clinton Schultz, Director, First Nations Strategy and Partnerships, Black Dog Institute



- Ms Jade Hansen, Director of Recovery, Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council, NSW

#### Stream 1: CONNECT

#### In-depth chat – Clinical governance in First Nations health



**Facilitator:** Mr Chris Boyd-Skinner, Director, Clinical Governance, Australian Digital Health Agenc



**Speaker:**

- Ms Helen Mobbs, General Manager – Health, Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation

#### Stream 2: CARE

#### Innovative approaches to consumer co-design



**Facilitator:** Mr Peter Birch, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Talking HealthTec



**Speakers:**

- Dr Nirvana Luckraj, Chief Medical Officer, Healthdirect Australia



- Professor Nick Titov, Executive Director, MindSpot, MQ Health, Macquarie University

#### Stream 3: CONFIDENCE

#### Enhancing privacy, data protection and cyber security

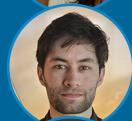


**Facilitator:** Mr John Borch, Chief Technology Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency



**Speakers:**

- Ms Danielle Pentony, Chief Information Security Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency



- Mr Raniera Te Moni, Head of Technology and Engineering, CyberCert



- Mr Dave Vosnakes, Acting Assistant Secretary, National Office of Cyber Security

## Plenary

### The digitally-enabled health and care workforce of the future



**Facilitator:** Dr Paul Miles, Director, Digital Health and Chief Information Officer, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care



#### Speakers

• Ms Anja Nikolic, Chief Executive Officer, Australasian Institute of Digital Health



• Dr Sanka Amadoru, Geriatrician, Aria Health



• Mr Simon Elisha, Director and Chief Technologist, Australia and New Zealand, Amazon Web Services

## Closing Plenary



**Facilitator:** Mr Peter Birch, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Talking HealthTechre

## Closing keynote speaker



• Dr Bertalan Meskó, Director, The Medical Futurist Institute

## Closing remarks speakers



• Ms Amanda Cattermole PSM, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency



• Conjoint Professor Anne Duggan, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care





## Mr Peter Birch

Peter Birch is founder and CEO of Talking HealthTech - a podcast and membership community to learn and connect about technology in healthcare. In addition, Mr Birch is a Director of the Medical Software Industry Association (MSIA) which is the voice of healthcare software vendors in Australia, and also Director of MetaOptima Technology, a company helping clinicians diagnose skin cancer using artificial intelligence. He is also on the NSW State Committee for the Australasian Institute of Digital Health and was NSW State Facilitator for the Australian Clinical Entrepreneur Program (AUSCEP).

He holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA), is a Certified Health Informatician (CHIA), and also a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA).





## Ms Amanda Cattermole PSM

Amanda Cattermole is the Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Digital Health Agency, a role she commenced in September 2020.

Prior to this, Ms Cattermole was the Chief Operating Officer at Services Australia (formerly the Department of Human Services).

She held several other senior roles at Services Australia, including an extended period as Deputy Secretary, Health and Aged Care, responsible for the delivery of more than \$60 billion in annual payments and services to Australians under Medicare, the PBS and in the aged care sector.

She has also held senior roles in the Commonwealth Departments of Treasury, Prime Minister and Cabinet and Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, and the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and the Western Australian Department of Indigenous Affairs.

In her earlier career, Ms Cattermole worked as a lawyer in Victoria, the Northern Territory and Western Australia.







## **Honourable Ged Kearney MP**

Ged Kearney is the Federal Member for Cooper. Ms Kearney has served in the parliament since March 2018. She is the Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care and Assistant Minister for Indigenous Health.





## Conjoint Professor Anne Duggan

Conjoint Professor Anne Duggan was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care in March 2023, in recognition of her breadth of knowledge and leadership experience across a range of healthcare settings.

As a practicing clinician, policy maker and health sector leader, Professor Duggan has gained an in-depth understanding of the complex issues surrounding safety and quality in health care.

Professor Duggan was Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the Commission from early 2021 and prior to this appointment, she was Clinical Director and Senior Medical Advisor from 2014.

Before joining the Commission, Professor Duggan was Director, Clinical Governance, with the Hunter New England Local Health District. She is a highly respected gastroenterologist and is also Conjoint Professor, School of Medicine and Public Health, University of Newcastle.



## **John D. Halamka, M.D., M.S.**

For over 40 years, John D. Halamka, M.D., M.S., has been dedicated to the technology and policy that enable information exchange among clinical, educational and administrative stakeholders. In particular, Dr Halamka is focused on bringing people together for multidisciplinary collaboration and career development at all levels. He works across government, academia and industry to form consortia that accelerate progress in informatics and patient care.

As Dwight and Dian Diercks President of the Mayo Clinic Platform, Dr Halamka is currently collaborating with Young J. Juhn, M.D., M.P.H., on research addressing algorithmic bias. This work has profound implications for artificial intelligence (AI) research and health equity and is a high priority of the Mayo Clinic Platform and Mayo Clinic as a whole.

Dr Halamka also is dedicated to educating the next generation of health care technology professionals. His expertise has given him the opportunity to teach extraordinarily diverse audiences, ranging from medical students to international policymakers. Before transitioning to Mayo Clinic, he served as a professor at Harvard Medical School for 25 years.



## Conjoint Associate Professor Carolyn Hullick

Conjoint Associate Professor Carolyn Hullick was appointed Chief Medical Officer (CMO) in September 2023. Prior to this appointment, she was Acting CMO from March 2023 and has been a Clinical Director at the Commission since March 2021.

A/Professor Hullick is associated with projects focused on aged care, transitions of care and the appropriate use of antipsychotics. She is also closely involved with sepsis identification and management.

A/Professor Hullick is an Emergency Physician in Newcastle, New South Wales. She is a senior Harkness Fellow, having spent 12 months at Weill Cornell Medical School in New York, investigating care for older people in emergency departments. With this expertise in geriatric emergency medicine, she has developed a program to support acutely unwell residents in residential aged care facilities and has geriatric emergency medicine leadership roles with the Australasian College and the International Federation for Emergency Medicine.



## Adjunct Professor Anna Thornton

Adjunct Professor Anna Thornton was appointed to the new position of Chief Nursing Officer in April 2024. Prior to this appointment, she was Executive Director of Nursing, St Vincent's Hospital Network, and has held Director of Nursing positions at Liverpool Hospital, Canberra Hospital and Prince of Wales Hospital.

At the Commission, the Chief Nursing Officer manages the Communicating for Safety and Comprehensive Care Programs, providing expert clinical advice and a voice for nursing experience and professional practice.

During her career, Professor Thornton has led strategy in acute care nursing, patient safety and quality, workforce planning and nursing-led research. She has also advised on policy matters through numerous Chair and co-Chair appointments to key nursing and acute care committees.



## Karen Booth

Ms Booth is the Chief Clinical Adviser (Nursing) for the Australian Digital Health Agency and is the President of the Australian Primary Health Care Nurses Association (APNA). She has worked as a primary health care nurse and manager in general practice since 1998, which included acute and preventative health care, chronic disease management, care coordination, data management, accreditation, administration, staff training and mentoring.

Ms Booth is an influential leader who has been advocating for the role of nurses in digital health for many years. She has been a key contributor to the advancement of digital health in the nursing profession and played a pivotal role in the future of the Australian healthcare system as a member of the Strengthening Medicare Taskforce. She has participated in numerous Australian Government Department of Health national health policy advisory groups, including several Ministerial appointments, providing advice to the Primary Health Care Advisory Group, the MBS review and Primary Health Reform Steering Group for the National Primary Health Care 10 Year Plan.

Ms Booth has more than 10 years' experience in corporate governance and has held several board director positions. She is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



## Mr Herbert Down

Mr Down is Clinical Governance and Assurance Branch Manager, Australian Digital Health Agency. His focus is on leading a team dedicated to the principles-based clinical governance and assurance of digital health products services.

He holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA), is a Certified Health Informatician (CHIA), and also a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA).



## Dr Simon Kos

Dr Simon Kos is an internationally recognised leader in digital health, working in senior executive roles for over 20 years. He is a registered medical practitioner who has practiced critical care medicine in Australia. He holds a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery from UNSW, a Master of Business Administration from Australian Graduate School of Management and is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Digital Health (FAIDH).

Significant past roles include Global Chief Medical Officer of Microsoft, based in Seattle, CEO of Next Practice, Physician Executive with Cerner, and co-chair of the Global Commission to end the Diagnostic Odyssey for children with a Rare Disease.

He is currently the Chief Medical Officer at Microsoft ANZ, a non-executive director at Innowell, a mentor in both the NHS and Australia's Clinical Entrepreneur Programs, a casual lecturer at UNSW School of Medicine, and an advisor/investor in digital health start-ups.





## Dr Andrew Hugman

Dr Andrew Hugman is Clinical Director, Digital Health for the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, an emergency physician and NSW Ambulance State Retrieval Consultant based in Sydney. He is also the Managing Director and Digital Officer at Manly Haematology. With over 13 years of experience in digital health, Dr Hugman specialises in online governance in healthcare, including medical records, digital diagnostic imaging and online clinical tools.

At the Commission, Dr Hugman was previously clinical lead for the My Health Record in Emergency Departments research project (2017–2021) and has been a clinical advisor to the eHealth & Medication Safety Program. He was also the Clinical Lead for NSW Health's Electronic Management System pilot rollout across the hospitals of South Eastern Sydney.



## Professor Clair Sullivan

Professor Clair Sullivan is an internationally recognised clinical informatician, and is helping drive digital health transformation in Queensland.

Professor Sullivan is Director of University of Queensland's Digital Health Centre, a collaboration across the University and major Australian and international partners. She is a Consultant Endocrinologist at Metro North Hospital and Health Service, Brisbane. Professor Sullivan serves on several national advisory boards for digital health and is widely published in clinical informatics. She is ranked in the top 1% of Medical Informatics researchers, globally.

In 2024, she was appointed as the inaugural Professor of Digital Health at the University of Queensland.

Professor Sullivan's work has been recognised with multiple honours, including a 2022 Telstra Brilliant Women in Digital Award. She chairs the Australian Council of Senior Academic Leaders in Digital Health.



## Ms Imelda Gilmore

Imelda Gilmore is an experienced dementia advocate, a voluntary role she sees as a privilege and which she has fulfilled since caring for her husband during his journey with young onset Alzheimer's disease, which culminated in his death aged 68, in 2016.

Over the past eleven years, Ms Gilmore has spoken up for those living with dementia in all forms of media, including television, radio, speaking at conferences, forums, seminars and workshops, printed articles, and research journals. She sits on several consumer advisory committees and research ethics committees.



## Mr David Edwards

David Edwards is a Worimi man who grew up in Turrbal/Jagera country and now lives on Bundjalung lands. Mr Edwards works from University of Sydney's University for Rural Health in Lismore NSW, as the Director of the WellMob website, under the national e-Mental Health in Practice project. Mr Edwards is also a voluntary trainer for the Core of Life pregnancy and childbirth education program for young people.

Mr Edwards is a member of the National Digital Mental Health Advisory Group for the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care along with other national mental health reference groups to advocate for culturally informed practice for First Nations Australians.



## Ms Jade Hansen

Ms Jade Hansen is a proud Wadi Wadi woman from the far South Coast. She has worked in Aboriginal health for 25 years. Ms Hansen is currently the Director of Recovery at the Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council. She is an Aboriginal Health Practitioner, Audiometrist and Practice Manager and also specialises in all fields of Aboriginal Medical Services with a strong focus in compliance.



## Dr Jason Agostino

Dr Jason Agostino is a GP and an epidemiologist with a focus on the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. He is the senior medical advisor at the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) and is NACCHO's representative on the Council for Connected Care. He works as a GP at Gurriny Yealamucka, an Aboriginal community-controlled health service in the community of Yarrabah in far north Queensland and has been with the community through their transition from a state-run clinic to an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation.



## Dr Clinton Schultz

Dr Clinton Schultz joined Black Dog Institute in May 2022 to lead the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Strategy.

As Assistant Professor at Bond University for five years, he developed social and emotional wellbeing and culturally diverse content in medical and allied health programs. He was the Indigenous Allied Health Association (IAHA) Professional of the year in 2019.

He has previously worked with Black Dog Institute in cultural responsiveness training in his capacity as Director of Marumali Consultations. As the founding Director of Marumali in 2009, he was an author and facilitator of Forming Culturally Responsive Practice (a RACGP accredited cultural competence training). He also ran cross-cultural Employee Assistance Program services specialising in assisting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workforces and their families.

Dr Schultz is a Board member of the Queensland First Children and Families Board (QFCFB) and was Deputy Chair of Queensland's Child Death Review Committee Panel (CDRCP) from 2019–2021 in addition to sitting on the Child Death Review Panel (2016–2019).



## Mr Chris Boyd-Skinner

Mr Boyd-Skinner is Director, Clinical Governance at the Australian Digital Health Agency where his role intersects change practice and sector engagement to support the adoption of clinical governance across Australia's digital health ecosystem.





## Ms Helen Mobbs

Helen Mobbs is the General Manager- Health at Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation. She is passionate and committed to patient care and strongly believes we are the leaders in improvements in health care delivery to our communities.

Ms Mobbs has been a Registered Nurse for more than 40 years and a senior manager for the past 27 years. She achieved Registered Nurse status at Broken Hill Base Hospital and achieved both Midwifery and Accident and Emergency certifications (University of Western Sydney-Macarthur). She has also completed her Bachelor's degree in Nursing through Flinders University (SA) and her Master's in Business through Newcastle University (NSW).

Ms Mobbs's career pathway has afforded her opportunity to gain comprehensive experience and understanding of healthcare provision and management, especially at a senior leadership level, across a wide variety of healthcare settings. She has been responsible and accountable to deliver high quality, safe healthcare in the NSW Public Health Service, private and not-for profit aged care services, and more recently within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCHO) sector.

Working for Miwatj Aboriginal Health Corporation based in East Arnhem Land, Northern Territory, has provided her an opportunity to focus on Clinical Governance in the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation sector. She has actively managed the ongoing leadership and support to enable the development, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of an integrated, comprehensive, primary care-centered clinical quality and safety governance model. This has involved engaging and working with clinic teams and communities to ensure quality provision of health care that is culturally appropriate for the remote communities located in East Arnhem Land.

Her focus has been the development and implementation of systems and processes, particularly within the ACCHO sector, to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders people's health and welfare are in the hands of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Her recent experiences have developed the understanding that effective governance within the ACCHO sector, especially within remote communities, requires the provision of sustainable high quality culturally responsive and culturally-centred health services to the remote communities facilitating improvements in health and social outcomes.



## Dr Nirvana Luckraj

Dr Nirvana Luckraj is the Chief Medical Officer at Healthdirect Australia, with 30 years of international experience in healthcare delivery. Her career is distinguished by a strong focus on clinical leadership, quality improvement, and the advancement of digital health solutions.

Dr Luckraj has held pivotal roles at Healthdirect Australia, Babylon Health, and International SOS, where she oversaw clinical governance, quality assurance, and service delivery in the public and private sectors. Her expertise in digital health is extensive, encompassing the development, implementation, and governance of innovative solutions, including clinical AI products such as symptom checkers and clinical decision support systems. She has worked internationally in South Africa, UK, Australia and Singapore, and has overseen clinical teams in Japan, South Korea and across South East Asia.

Dr Luckraj has successfully led the development and localisation of clinical AI products for Babylon Health, enhancing diagnostic accuracy and clinical appropriateness. At Healthdirect Australia, Dr Luckraj spearheaded the safe implementation of a clinically validated AI-powered clinical decision support system and symptom checker, enabling Australians to access self-assessment and make available appropriate healthcare pathways.



## Professor Nick Titov

Nick Titov is a Professor of Psychology at Macquarie University, a Clinical Psychologist and Executive Director of the Australian MindSpot Clinic. MindSpot is a national digital psychology clinic which serves 30,000 Australian adults each year. Professor Titov has worked on more than 100 trials of psychological interventions across five countries and has published more than 250 papers. He serves on multiple advisory groups to national and international organisations regarding digital mental health services.



## Mr John Borch

John Borch is the Chief Technology Officer at the Australian Digital Health Agency, a role he commenced in November 2023.

Mr Borch leads the Technology Services Division, responsible for the operation of high quality, trusted, reliable and secure national digital health infrastructure and health support systems. This division also provides IT services and support to staff.

Mr Borch is an intelligence and security professional who has worked in government, the military and the commercial sector in a career spanning over 29 years.



## Ms Danielle Pentony

With over 18 years' experience in the technology and cyber security space focused on healthcare, government and financial services, working across both state and federal institutions, Ms Pentony as Chief Information Security Officer now leads the Cyber Security team responsible for the security of key digital health solutions and sensitive healthcare information managed by the Australian Digital Health Agency.

In her role at the Agency, Ms Pentony also works to support Australian healthcare providers and health technology partners to protect themselves and the critical health information they too hold through sharing of cyber threat information, cyber awareness and education. Cyber security that enables the next frontier of digital health is only possible through a resilient healthcare ecosystem and this is something that she is passionate about. She is known for her innovative and inclusive leadership, collaboration, agility in meeting challenges head on, and delivering the best and secure outcomes for the organisation.

Apart from her work at the Agency, Ms Pentony is part the Steering Committee of Cyber Security Certification Australia. The Steering Committee is comprised of Australian public and private sector stakeholder organisations, committed to uplift the small and medium business sector's cyber security through industry-led, affordable, and regularly updated standards that enable all organisations to protect their cyber supply chain and respond to the latest threats. Ms Pentony is also passionate about seeing more women in cyber roles. She is a Tech Girls and Australian Women in Security Network (AWSN) mentor, and an active member of the AWSN.



## Mr Raniera Te Moni

Mr Te Moni is the Head of Technology and Engineering at CyberCert, a conformity assessment body accredited by Dynamic Standards International (DSI) to certify organisations against the SMB1001 standard. With experience across Software Development, Operational Technology Cybersecurity and Machine Learning, he leads CyberCert's software development team, supporting uptake and certification of international organisations against DSI's SMB1001. Recently, his team together with McGrathNicol supported the Australian Digital Health Agency's Cyber Champions Network pilot project.



## Mr Dave Vosnakes

Mr Vosnakes has worked on some of the most intricate criminal and intelligence investigations both domestically and abroad throughout his more than 19 years of service in various Australian government law enforcement and intelligence agencies. He has been in charge of multidisciplinary teams dealing with foreign policy, cyber incident response, Serious and Organised Crime (SOC), and national security matters. He is currently Acting Assistant Secretary within the National Office of Cyber Security (NOCS), directly supporting the National Cyber Security Coordinator, Lieutenant General Michelle McGuinness, to coordinate the response to nationally significant cyber security incidents.



## Professor Stacy Carter

Stacy Carter is Director, Australian Centre for Health Engagement, Evidence and Values, University of Wollongong. Prior to this role Professor Carter was Associate Professor and Deputy Director, University of Sydney, Sydney Health Ethics, she has published widely in the field of AI in healthcare, and community attitudes to its use.





## Dr Jean-Frédéric Levesque

Dr Jean-Frédéric Levesque is the Chief Executive of the NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation, and the Deputy Secretary, Clinical Innovation and Research at the NSW Ministry of Health.

He is an Adjunct Professor at the Centre for Primary Health Care and Equity at the University of New South Wales. He has authored more than 150 peer reviewed publications and his seminal research on healthcare access and inequity has been cited more than 2,000 times.

Dr Levesque has a Medical Degree, a Masters in Community Health and a Doctorate in Public Health from the Université de Montréal, Canada. He brings extensive leadership in healthcare systems analysis and improvement, combining experience in clinical practice in refugee health and tropical medicine, in clinical governance and in academic research.



## Dr Sharon Hakkennes

Dr Sharon Hakkennes has over 25 years experience working in the healthcare industry. With a strong background in health informatics and digital transformation, she has been instrumental in leading various projects aimed at improving healthcare delivery through technology.

As Victoria's Chief Digital Health Officer, she is responsible for working in collaboration with the sector and the Department of Health to set the digital vision for Victoria's healthcare sector. The role also oversees the implementation of Victoria's Digital Health Roadmap, which includes delivering clinical, patient, and mental health solutions and national digital health programs.

Prior to her current role Dr Hakkennes was a Vice President Research Analyst at Gartner, where she was responsible for advising health systems across the globe in the development of digital strategies and the implementation of technologies to drive improvements in clinical outcomes, operational efficiencies, health equity, and consumer and clinician experience. Dr Hakkennes has a clinical background in physiotherapy and has completed a Doctorate and MBA.



## Mr Neville Board

Mr Neville Board joined the Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network in October 2023.

Before this appointment, Mr Board was the Chief Digital Health Officer for the Victorian Department of Health for five years. During that time, he led the Digital Health Branch and the Victorian sector in lifting hospital digitisation and connecting care, uniquely identifying patients and establishing clinical information sharing for Victorian health services. In particular, he led the amendment of Victoria's Health Services Act so public hospitals can share clinical records for the purpose of patient care. In that time, he chaired the Australian Digital Health Agency's Jurisdictional Advisory Committee.

Prior to that, Dr Board led digital health and safety programs at the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care and worked extensively in the NSW health system.

Mr Board is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Digital Health and the Australian Institute of Health Innovation, Macquarie University. He is on the NSW Ministerial Task Force on Artificial Intelligence in Health Care, co-chairing the Patient Safety and Clinical Governance Working Group. He has published on hospital in the home, post-acute care and better uses of health data.



## Ms Angela Ryan

Angela Ryan is a registered nurse, with a background in adult and paediatric critical care in Australian and international environments. She has led policy reform and large-scale programs at the state and federal levels in digital health, virtual and clinical care, working across complex environments with diverse stakeholder groups, and has highly developed skills in the governance, design, development and deployment of complex business strategies and technologies.

Ms Ryan is a founding Fellow, former Vice Chair and current Board non-executive director of the Australasian Institute of Digital Health, non-executive Director of Therapeutic Guidelines, and former Fellow and President of the Australasian College of Health Informatics. She is a former Chief Clinical Information Officer of the Australian Digital Health Agency, where she led the development of the National Digital Health Workforce & Education Roadmap, and the National Nursing & Midwifery Digital Health Capabilities Framework – both Australian firsts.

In 2021, Ms Ryan was the recipient of the inaugural Brilliant Women in Digital Health award and in 2017 was awarded a Churchill Fellowship through global research into digital health and patient safety governance.



## **Ms Krista Vanderheide**

Krista Vanderheide is Assistant Secretary, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Division, Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care. Prior to her current role she worked as Director, Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs Strategy and Policy for the Victorian Department of Health where she played a key leadership role in implementation of major recommendations from Victoria's Mental Health Royal Commission and oversaw policy and program functions for Victoria's alcohol and other drugs sector.



## Ms Anna Flynn

Anna Flynn is a Director at the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care where she has led the Partnering with Consumers program for over three years. The program has a focus achieving best practice person-centred care with a strong grounding in the Australian Charter of Health Care Rights.

Prior to this Anna worked at the Independent Hospital Pricing Authority for nine years working in Policy Development and Communication. In this role she worked on ways to integrate innovative funding models as well as value-based health care initiatives as part of the National Health Reform Agreement.

Anna is passionate about improving health systems for all Australians and has a keen interest in health literacy and helping health services to work with different diversity groups.



## Mr Mehmet Kavlakoglu

Mehmet Kavlakoglu is passionate about mental health and supporting Australians from diverse backgrounds. He has a keen interest in the destigmatisation of mental ill health and improving access to services for rural and remote areas. Mr Kavlakoglu joined headspace in 2015 as part of headspace Adelaide's Youth Ambassador Program, developing his understanding on promoting positive habits and early intervention.

In 2022, Mr Kavlakoglu was involved in Deloitte's digital health practice and behaviour change initiative, leveraging change management principles and behavioural science to ease the transition towards hybrid models of care. In his current role, he has remained engaged in digital health by conceptualising, designing and implementing legal technology to improve service provision in the health sector that ensures compliance with a variety of regulatory instruments. From 2019 until the end of 2021, Mr Kavlakoglu worked as a Wellbeing Leader and Inclusive Education Coordinator in an independent school comprising three campuses.



## Dr Edel O'Hagan

After a decade as a physiotherapist, Edel O'Hagan transitioned to research, earning her PhD in 2022. Recognising the potential of digital health and the shared principles of care – such as lifestyle optimisation – between her PhD topic of back pain and cardiovascular disease (CVD), she pursued a postdoctoral role focusing on CVD and digital health in collaboration with leading experts in the field.

She is a member of the 13-person Patient Engagement Committee of the National Hypertension Taskforce, Australia's foremost authority on hypertension, and also serves on the national Hypertension Australia Advocacy and Society Liaison Subcommittee. She has a strong interest in consumer engagement in research, and consolidated consumer involvement in Westmead Applied Research Centre's (WARC) research by co-founding and currently co-chairing the "Friends of WARC" Consumer Group. Since its inception in 2022, the group has grown to 52 consumer members, fostering partnerships between researchers and consumers to enhance equity and diversity in research.

Under her leadership, the Friends of WARC group has hosted three successful community events, including a collaborative session at Google in April 2023 that drew over 200 attendees, as well as events at WARC in October 2023 and June 2024. These gatherings encouraged consumers and their families to actively shape research priorities and study designs, ensuring their voices were central to the mission of inclusive research.





## Mr Simon Cleverley

Simon Cleverley is Assistant Secretary of the Digital Health Branch at the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care. Mr Cleverley has extensive policy, delivery, and leadership experience within the health sector, and is a key steward for leading the Commonwealth's real-time health information sharing agenda across all parts of the health system, to better support patients and their healthcare providers at the point of care.

Mr Cleverley is responsible for the delivery of a wide range of national digital health programs. Over the next two years, he will be leading the Commonwealth's role in the development of core national interoperability standards that will underpin Australia's real-time health information sharing capabilities. Mr Cleverley is also responsible for the program of work that will see pathology and diagnostic imaging reports uploaded to My Health Record by default.

Mr Cleverley is also the Commonwealth representative on the Council for Connected Care that is providing strategic advice to the Australian Digital Health Agency on interoperability and supporting the implementation of the National Healthcare Interoperability Plan.



## Mr Chris Leahy

Chris Leahy is the Chief Operating Officer of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, a position he has held since October 2021. Prior to this, he held a variety of positions at the Commission, including Director eHealth and Medication Safety and Directory Safety and Quality Improvement Systems. He has an in-depth understanding of the complex issues surrounding healthcare, and the implementation of standards and policies that improve safety and quality.

Prior to joining the Commission, Mr Leahy held senior managerial positions in large acute hospitals, community health, drug health, mental health and oral health services, across Sydney and South Western Sydney Local Health Districts. He has a Masters of Health Service Management, was a senior adjunct lecturer with Flinders University in the College of Business, Government and Law, and is currently undertaking further education through a Juris Doctor at University of Technology, Sydney.



## Dr Zoran Bolevich

Dr Zoran Bolevich was appointed AIHW Chief Executive Officer in June 2024.

Prior to this appointment Dr Bolevich was the Chief Executive of eHealth NSW and the Chief Information Officer for NSW Health and responsible for planning, implementing and supporting a digitally enabled, integrated and patient-centric health information environment. During his prior 25-year career, Dr Bolevich worked in a range of senior health management, information and communication technology (ICT) leadership roles in Australia and New Zealand.

Before joining eHealth NSW, Dr Bolevich worked at NSW Health as Executive Director for health system information and performance reporting and as Acting Deputy Secretary for system purchasing and performance.

Dr Bolevich served as a member of the AIHW Board from 2016 till 2024. He is a Doctor of Medicine and has a Master of Business Administration (MBA) with Distinction.



## Mr Peter O'Halloran

Peter O'Halloran was appointed Chief Digital Officer of the Australian Digital Health Agency in February 2023. As Chief Digital Officer, Mr O'Halloran is responsible for stewarding the national digital health ecosystem, products and standards.

He represents Australia as the Australian Delegate to the Global Digital Health Partnership (GDHP) and as the Australian Delegate to the Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine (SNOMED) International General Assembly. Mr O'Halloran is also the Co-Chair of the GDHP Evidence and Evaluation Work Stream.

He has been a Chief Information/Digital Officer in the healthcare portfolio in the public service since 2009 and has held senior roles with the National Health & Medical Research Council, the National Blood Authority and ACT Health. Mr O'Halloran was named as Technology Leader of the Year 2024 by itnews.



## Mr Reuben Daniels

Reuben Daniels is a Board Director of the HL7 Australia standards development organisation. He works as the Deputy FHIR Product Director with HL7 International, an Enterprise Architect with Queensland Health, and is a Strategic Advisor for the Australian Digital Health Agency. Additionally, he represents the HL7 Australia Board as a member of the Australian FHIR Coordination Committee and is a contributor to the development of FHIR standards as part of the Sparked FHIR Accelerator. In HL7 International, he is a co-chair of both the Terminology Services Management Group and the Terminology Infrastructure Work Group, a member of the FHIR Community Process Coordination Committee, and a co-lead of the HL7 Gender Harmony Project. In SNOMED International he is a member of the Terminology Release Advisory Group.

An avowed standards and interoperability devotee, he has been involved with the FHIR standard since 2014, and has contributed to the design and establishment of Australian national and state government FHIR-based digital health solutions.



## Professor Charlotte Hespe

Professor Charlotte Hespe is the Head of General Practice and Primary Care Research for the Sydney School of Medicine, University of Notre Dame.

This role is a dual research role, with her heading up the discipline of General Practice and being responsible for establishing and overseeing a research network specialising in General Practice specific projects in primary care.

She is also an active GP Clinician and practice owner of a medium-sized general practice in inner city Sydney (Glebe Family Medical Practice, GFMP). The practice is fully accredited and serves as a teaching practice for both University of Notre Dame medical students and GP Registrars for the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) training program. Her clinic is a leading general practice in Central and Eastern Sydney Primary Health Network (PHN) and won RACGP Practice of the Year, NSW/ACT in 2018. Professor Hespe is passionate about improving health outcomes for the patient in her personal care and within the broader Australian Community. To this end, she has been actively involved with the RACGP, GP Networks, Medical Education (through undergraduate, postgraduate and Registrar student teaching) and GP research throughout her career. She recently completed a PhD on the topic of "Implementing quality improvement strategies in real-world general practice- a study focused on cardiovascular disease" and is passionate about improving the delivery of patient-centred primary healthcare, which includes improving access and utilisation of digital health tools. tice and being responsible for establishing and overseeing a research network specialising in General Practice specific projects in primary care.

She also has extensive experience and expertise in corporate governance (within the public health arena), currently holding a Fellows of the Australian Institute of Company Directors qualification, with 21 years of experience as a Board Chair.

External to her University appointment, Professor Hespe is Chair of RACGP NSW/ACT Faculty Council, Director of RACGP Board and Chair of RACGP Board People Culture Nomination Remuneration committee.



## Associate Professor Naren Gunja

Associate Professor Naren Gunja is an emergency physician and toxicologist in Western Sydney. He commenced his informatics journey 15 years ago, leading an electronic prescribing project with the roll-out of eMeds. Since 2017, Associate Professor Gunja has been the Chief Medical Information Officer enhancing eMR capability and bringing Western Sydney Local Health District (LHD) to the forefront of digital health in Australia. His interests include digital governance, medication safety and clinical analytics.



## Dr Steve Hambleton

Dr Steve Hambleton is a General Practitioner in Brisbane and a former Queensland State President and Federal President of the Australian Medical Association.

Dr Hambleton has worked in the same general practice in Brisbane for 33 years, being present on the day it opened in 1988. With two partners, Dr Hambleton managed three large general practices, two of which were 24- hour practices, until their merger with Foundation Healthcare in 2000. He then took up the position of State Medical Director and then Queensland State Director as it was transitioned to IPN, which is now part of the Sonic group of companies.

Dr Hambleton is a Specialist Adviser to the Australian Digital Health Agency. He also supports Clinical Reference Leads who also provide clinical input into the work of the Agency. He chairs the Clinical Governance Committee that operates to ensure the Agency delivers programs and projects that are high quality and clinically safe.

He is currently an associate investigator with the Australian Cancer Research Foundation Lung Cancer Screening Centre of Excellence, which works to prevent and cure lung cancer and make it a rare disease.





## Professor Wendy Chapman

Wendy Chapman is the Associate Dean of Digital Health and Informatics at the University of Melbourne, as well as the Director of the Centre for Digital Transformation of Health. She is an elected Fellow of the American College of Medical Informatics and the US National Academy of Medicine and serves as a Board member of the Australasian Institute of Digital Health.



## Dr Anton van der Vegt

Anton van der Vegt is an Advance Queensland Industry Research Fellow with extensive industry experience working with UK and Australian healthcare providers. He is an engineer and computer scientist by training and gained his PhD from the University of Queensland in clinical AI information retrieval. Dr Van der Vegt works directly with clinicians and healthcare providers to identify opportunities for using AI, to research and develop suitable AI methods for clinical decision support tasks and to evaluate those methods to ensure they are safe, equitable and effective. He also has extensive experience working with clinical data as both a data engineer and data scientist, and with his team, is currently investigating how to identify and mitigate bias in AI, how to incorporate unstructured data (i.e., clinical notes) into risk prediction and how to present AI to clinicians to improve decision making. Dr Van der Vegt is passionate about safely implementing AI into clinical practice within Australian hospitals.



## Dr Paul Miles

Dr Paul Miles is the Director, Digital Health and Chief Information Officer at the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care. Dr Miles leads the Commission's digital health safety and quality agenda, which focuses on connecting the health system for better patient outcomes. Dr Miles oversees multiple programs and projects that focus on integrated systems, digital solutions for medicines safety, medical devices, and artificial intelligence. Dr Miles has been a Senior Lecturer for Flinders University's post-graduate health care administration program and has a background in health administration, having previously worked in executive management roles across several Sydney metropolitan hospitals.



## Ms Anja Nikolic

Anja Nikolic is the CEO of the Australasian Institute of Digital Health (AIDH), the membership body for Australasia's diverse digital health community. The AIDH provides thought leadership in digital health, healthcare workforce advancement and advocacy and fosters connectedness in the digital health community.

Ms Nikolic was previously the CEO of the Australian Physiotherapy Association, the peak body for one of the largest allied health professions in Australia. She has held various general management roles and provided consultancy services.

Ms Nikolic takes a keen interest in health policy, healthcare workforce issues, and practical solutions to making healthcare more accessible, equitable and impactful.

She is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and holds a degree in Commerce.



## Dr Sanka Amadoru

Dr Sanka Amadoru is a geriatrician working in the public hospital and community private practice settings. He is a founding director and Chief Medical Information Officer of Aria Health, a specialist medical practice that provides geriatrician services to older people in residential care, as well as clinics in metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria. He is also active in the areas of research and clinical trials, education in aged care, and advisory services regarding digital health and innovation to government and industry. Dr Amadoru is an Elected Councillor and Company Director of the Australian and New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine



## Mr Simon Elisha

Simon Elisha is a noted technologist, renowned for translating technology innovation into tangible business benefits. With a 35-year career that encompasses hands-on development and influential business leadership, Mr Elisha stands as a catalyst for transformation in the technology landscape. His unwavering commitment to innovation is evidenced by his nine technology patents.

As an effective communicator of digital transformation, Mr Elisha challenges conventional thinking and empowers organisations to drive real business change through technology. His mantra, “Be stubborn on the vision and flexible on the details” underscores the importance of evolving mindsets to unleash the full potential of technological advancements.

Mr Elisha’s expertise extends to the public sector, where his leadership and deep understanding of customer challenges have resulted in outcomes including successfully conducting the first Census survey of 25 million Australians in the public cloud, and pioneering a breakthrough COVID-19 testing notification application for NSW Health, reducing negative test result wait times from seven days to hours.

At Amazon Web Services (AWS), Mr Elisha’s technical acumen and knack for simplifying complex concepts make him an invaluable asset. He regularly takes the stage at prestigious global events such as AWS re:Invent and the AWS Public Sector Summit, addressing tens of thousands of cloud professionals and thought leaders.



## Dr Bertalan Meskó

Dr Bertalan Meskó, PhD, known as The Medical Futurist, is the Director of The Medical Futurist Institute. He specialises in analysing the impact of science fiction technologies on global medicine and healthcare.

As a geek physician with a PhD in genomics, he is also an Amazon Top 100 author and serves as a Private Professor at Semmelweis Medical School in Budapest, Hungary.

Dr Meskó has delivered over 900 keynotes at prestigious institutions such as Harvard, Stanford, and Yale Universities, as well as organisations such as the World Health Organization and the world's top 10 pharmaceutical companies. His insights on healthcare technology have made him a leading global voice in the field.

Featured by major media outlets including CNN, National Geographic, Forbes, TIME magazine, BBC, and the New York Times, Dr Meskó regularly shares his analyses on [medicalfuturist.com](https://www.medicalfuturist.com).

His research focuses on the role of artificial intelligence and digital health technologies in shaping the future of care. He is a member of the Committee on Future Research at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

Dedicated to pioneering medical futures studies as a scientific discipline, Dr Meskó aims to make futures methods widely accessible in healthcare.