



# HETI SENIOR EXECUTIVE FORUM REPORT

MAY 2023



*Honouring our graduates and acknowledging the tireless efforts of the academic team that has helped shape their futures.*

## SECRETARY CONGRATULATES 2023 GRADUATES FROM HETI HIGHER EDUCATION

HETI Higher Education held the annual graduation ceremony on Friday 5 May. There were over 80 graduates receiving postgraduate degrees in Applied Mental Health Studies and Psychiatric Medicine. In the ceremony, emceed by Mental Health Commissioner Catherine Lourey, graduates were addressed by Susan Pearce AM, Secretary NSW Health, Adjunct Professor Annette Solman, Chief Executive HETI, Professor Kay Wilhelm, Chair HETI Higher Education Governing Council and Professor Lynne Madden, Chair, Academic Board, recognising the significance of this event.

The ceremony took pride in acknowledging the accomplishments of these recent graduates. Their perseverance, diligence, and commitment to their studies culminated in this significant milestone, and they were commended for their achievements resulting in increased skills and knowledge that can be applied in their roles within NSW Health caring for people with mental illness.

Appreciation was extended to the dedicated HETI academic team, whose unwavering support and guidance have been instrumental in these students' success. Their commitment to providing an exceptional education experience, fostering a supportive learning environment,

authentic assessment and a strong focus on practice, equips graduates to face the future challenges in their professional lives.

We are confident that these graduates are poised to make a substantial and meaningful contribution to the communities they serve.

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## IMPROVING MEDICAL TRAINING IN THE REGIONS

The HETI Rural Generalist Training Program is pleased to advise that the Commonwealth funded John Flynn Prevocational Doctor Program (JFPDP) has commenced this clinical year. This newly established Program integrates the existing Commonwealth funded Rural Junior Doctor Training Innovation Fund (RJDTIF) and RJDTID-Rural Generalist. This innovative approach streamlines and coordinates medical training in remote and regional NSW through primary care rotations, boosting the training capacity for the next generation of doctors.

The JFPDP program will support up to 98 junior doctors with the opportunity to experience a clinical term working in both a Rural General Practice as well as

participate in the ongoing care of the community by working in the local rural hospital.

The program will grow from 98 rotations in 2023 to offer 211 rotations by 2025. This will provide many junior doctors interested in rural practice opportunities to experience rural health delivery and provide insight into the life and work of rural GP's and rural generalists.

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## LAST CHANCE TO APPLY FOR A 100% FUNDED SCHOLARSHIP FOR A FULL DEGREE COURSE



*A scholarship will enable students to complete one degree qualification within the Applied Mental Health Studies (AMHS) course Adult Mental Health Specialisation, either the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Masters.*

Final scholarship opportunities are available for those with an interest in adult mental health to study Applied Mental Health Studies (AMHS) in the Adult specialisation at HETI Higher Education.

Complete a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, or Masters level study in the Applied Mental Health Studies course with up to 600 hours of study support.

AMHS units are offered completely online over a five-week teaching period. They are designed with flexibility to meet the needs of the health workforce who are combining study with other commitments. Even with a full degree level, students can manage their study load through choice of teaching period and unit.

The next Teaching Period (TP4) commences 17 July 2023.

**Applications close 10 June 2023.** Scholarships awarded 14 June 2023. Don't miss out, these scholarships won't be available in the next financial year.

All scholarship eligibility information is available at <https://www.heti.nsw.gov.au/Placements-Scholarships-Grants/scholarships-and-grants/adult-mental-health-scholarship>

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## ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS NETWORK (AHPEN) FORUM – 14 JUNE 2023

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Save the date - 14th June 2023

The Allied Health Professional Educators Network (AHPEN) forum is a key 2023 professional development event for allied health professional educators who coordinate and deliver education and training for the NSW Health allied health workforce.

The forum will provide an opportunity for participants to network, information exchange and take part in a professional development workshop exploring Entrustable Professional Activities (EPA). Facilitated by Cathy Gardiner, HNELHD District Senior Pharmacist – Clinical Education & Training, participants will learn about EPAs, what they are, when they might be used, and how they can be applied to support workplace assessment.

The forum will be held at 1 Reserve Road St Leonards on Wednesday 14 June 2023. Travel and accommodation support is available through an expression of interest (EOI).

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## JUMBUNNA WEBINAR SERIES

The Training Support Unit delivers the Jumbunna sessions, a series of dedicated professional development webinars for the multidisciplinary staff who work within the Aboriginal Maternal Infant Health Service (AMIHS) and Building Strong Foundations (BSF) teams. The webinars are also suited to those who work with Aboriginal families and communities or are interested in learning more about supporting positive health outcomes for Aboriginal families and communities.

### VAPING IS ON THE RISE: HOW DO WE TACKLE IT?

The March Jumbunna webinar focused on vaping and how to approach this growing area of concern within our communities. The webinar was presented by Professor Emily Banks, a professor of Epidemiology and Public Health from the Australian National University and the Na Joomelah team from the internationally recognised Tackling Indigenous Smoking Program.

This interactive webinar explored how AMIHS and BSF staff can implement the evidence from research into practice with Aboriginal clients and families. With vaping on the rise, it is important to find out more and talk about the hidden impacts of vapes on families, young people and children. This is a vital conversation that we need to have with our clients and their families.

### LET'S START YARNING ABOUT GENETICS

In April, the Jumbunna webinar provided an overview about the role of genetics in Aboriginal healthcare. Cassandra (Cassie) McDonald (Genetic Counsellor/ Program Lead) and Thulasee Sri Ganeshan (Senior Program Manager) from HETI's Centre for Genetic Education, empowered health professionals to engage with genetic services, locate resources and provided information about the process of genetic counselling.

As a result, health professionals can easily find information about local genetics services, understand pathways for referrals and access educational resources from the Centre for Genetics Education Website.

Participants reported that the webinar was useful with provided feedback such as:

*"Provided good clear facts about genetics and how they play a role"*

*"I improved my cultural competence by learning about how Aboriginal communities may interact with genetic services, in particular how to navigate Sorry Business"*

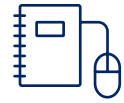
*"Know where to source information"*

*"It made me understand the importance of how we can support our families"*

Past webinars can be viewed on the HETI website

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# MY HEALTH LEARNING



## NEW AND REVISED RESOURCES:

TITLE	COURSE CODE
ICU Module 4 – Caring for patients experiencing cardiac disorders	455409054
Respecting the Difference: Know the Difference – eLearning (Refresh)	434777763
Smoking & Vaping in Pregnancy – Part B (Refresh)	198038507
Smoking & Vaping in Pregnancy – Part A (Refresh)	198038468
Extravasation – eQuiz (Refresh)	49356923

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