

Horizon Scanning Forum 2024 Agenda

8:30am Registrations open

9:30am Welcome

Welcome & opening remarks

Ms Liz de Somer, Chief Executive Officer, Medicines Australia

Address from Assistant Minister for Health

The Hon Ged Kearney MP

The Horizon Scanning Scene

Ms Penny Shakespeare, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Aged Care

The patient voice

Ms Ann Single, The Patient Voice Initiative

10:00am Session 1: Emerging Disruptive Technologies - Cell and Gene Therapies

Cell and gene therapies - call for strategic coordination

Dr Marguerite Evans-Galea AM (session facilitator)

Director, Australia's Cell and Gene Catalyst

Cell and gene therapies - opportunities on the horizon

Prof John Rasko AO

Head of Department, Cell & Molecular Therapies, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T therapy

A/Prof Philip Thompson, Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre

Barriers to patient access to cell and gene therapies

Mr Warwick Shaw, Market Access, Johnson and Johnson Innovative Medicine

CRISPR/ Cas9 gene editing therapy

Mr Quentin Bracquart, Principal, IQVIA Management Consulting

10:50am Session panel Q&A

Session speakers and Agnes Nsofwa (Executive Director, Australian Sickle Cell Advocacy Inc) and Ms Katrina Lapham (Director, Strategic Market Access and Policy, Biointelect)

11:20am Morning Tea

11:45am Session 2: Novel technologies to prevent communicable diseases

Technologies in the pipeline to prevent communicable diseases

Ms Jennifer Herz (session facilitator), Co-Founder & Director, Biointelect

Emerging communicable threats and Australia's preparedness

Prof Paul Kelly, Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health and Aged Care

Challenges and opportunities to implement novel technologies to prevent communicable diseases

Prof Paul Griffin, Director of Infectious Diseases at Mater Health Services Brisbane

Industry vaccines technology showcase presentations

Dr Krishan Thiru, Medical Director, Pfizer Australia

Dr Iris Depaz, Head of Medical Vaccines ANZ, Sanofi

12:35pm Panel Q&A

Session speakers

1:00pm Lunch Break

1:45pm Session 3: Novel Antimicrobial Technology

Patient story

Mr Chris Bond OAM PLY, Captain of the Australian Steelers Wheelchair Rugby team

The Antimicrobial (AMR) crisis

Mr Andrew Bowskill (session facilitator)

Director of Stakeholder Engagement for Queensland, MTPConnect. Co-chair Australian Antimicrobial Resistance Network (AAMRNet)

Antimicrobial Regulation and Reimbursement

Ms Renae Beardmore, Managing Director, Evohealth

Antimicrobial resistance, the clinical experience, and Phage Therapy

Prof Jon Iredell, Senior Staff Specialist, Infectious Diseases & Microbiology,

Westmead Hospital

Industry antimicrobial technology showcase presentation

Dr Scott Preiss, Medical Affairs Director, Vaccines, GSK

2:35pm Session panel Q&A

Session speakers and Mr Mike Stephens (Director of Medicines Policy and Program at the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO)

3:05pm Session 4: Digital Technology

Industry digital technology showcase presentation: The Use of AI-driven in vitro diagnostic (IVD) tools

Dr Diana Zhang, Fulbright Scholar & 2023 NSW Young Woman of the Year Finalist Ms Oona Reardon, Director, Pulse Economics Consulting

The Transformative Potential of Digital Health

Kim Smyth (session facilitator), General Manager, Investment, AndHealth

Panel Q&A

Session speakers and Olivia Nassaris (CEO Parkinsons Australia) and Dean Whiting (CEO Pathology Technology Australia)

3:40pm Working afternoon tea

3:50pm Session 5: Gearing up for change – reforming the system and the role of horizon scanning

Facilitator: Liz de Somer, Medicines Australia CEO

Dr Anna Lavelle AM, Medicines Australia Chair

Urs Voegeli, Managing Director J&J

Dr Paul Fennessey, horizon scanning expert

Wrap up and closing remarks

DoHAC and Medicines Australia

4:30pm - 6:00pm Networking drinks