

Stronger Together Our Mission in the Marketplace

Anglicare Australia 2017 National Conference
Communique to conference delegates





Dear Delegate

Thank you for registering for Anglicare Australia's National Conference – *Stronger Together: Our Mission in the Marketplace*. We have an exciting program this year.

This is the second Communique before the Conference. It includes information on our keynote speakers and the Annual John Roffey Lecture. It also includes updated information on the special interest network meetings being held during the conference.

Keeping True to Your Mission and Dealing with Change

CEO and Board Members Forum Address by Mark Scott AO

Mark Scott is the Secretary of the NSW Education Department and former ABC Managing Director. He will draw on his experiences at the ABC to make an address on keeping true to your mission and dealing with change.

Under Mark's leadership, the structure and operation of the ABC was transformed and the ABC's services and reach have been dramatically expanded. The ABC has established a reputation as Australia's leading digital media innovator during this time. He has also led a shift within the organisation from a process-based culture to one that emphasises the values of Respect, Integrity, Collegiality and Innovation.

Before joining the ABC, Mark served 12 years in a variety of editorial and executive positions with Fairfax Media, Editorial Director of the Fairfax newspaper and magazine division and Editor-in-Chief of Metropolitan, Regional and Community newspapers.

The Art of Belonging

Keynote Address by Professor Hugh MacKay AO

In this keynote address, pioneering social researcher Hugh Mackay will explore the symmetry of the human condition: we need communities, but communities also need us. A 'good life' is not lived in isolation or in the pursuit of independent goals; a good life is lived at the heart of a thriving community, among people we trust, and within an environment of mutual respect.

As Australia struggles to define its values, Professor Mackay hopes to reignite the conversation about how we want to live; providing the framework for those who argue for a particular vision of community, one that sustains, protects and nurtures the many, and not just the few.



The Annual John Roffey Lecture

Keynote Address by Dr Karin Sowada

Karin Sowada has a background in politics, public policy, Christian ministry and academia. In addition to serving in other church roles for many years, she is currently Chair of the Social Issues Committee of the Anglican Church Sydney Diocese. Karin is also a Director of national Christian charity Mission Australia and Chair of the Australian Racing Christian Chaplaincy, which serves the needs of people working in the horse racing industry. In June 2017, she was made an Australian Research Council Future Fellow at Macquarie University.

Previously she was inaugural CEO of Anglican Deaconess Ministries, Assistant Curator of Sydney University's Nicholson Museum, and in the early 1990s served as a Senator for NSW in the Commonwealth Parliament, at the time the youngest woman to do so.

Other Keynote Speakers

Verity Firth

Verity Firth is the Executive Director of Social Justice at the University of Technology, Sydney. She has a decade's experience at the highest levels of government and the not-for-profit sector. For nearly ten years, she has worked in the education sector, first as Minister for Education and Training in NSW and then as the CEO of the Public Education Foundation. As Minister for Education she focussed on equity, and on addressing educational disadvantage in low socio-economic communities.

As NSW Minister for Women she implemented strategies to improve women's recruitment, development and employment in the NSW public sector. As CEO of the Public Education Foundation, she led the Foundation's transformation into a major provider of scholarships and support to public education. She was the Member for the state seat of Balmain from 2007-2011. Before her parliamentary career, she worked as a lawyer and was Deputy Lord Mayor of the City of Sydney.

Tanya Hosch

Tanya Hosch is the General Manager of Inclusion and Social Policy at the AFL. Tanya has a long and distinguished history in Indigenous policy, advocacy, and governance. Before joining the AFL as the first ever Indigenous person and second woman in their Executive ranks in August this year, Tanya was the Joint Campaign director of the Recognise movement for constitutional reform. At the AFL Tanya is tasked with the implementation of the AFL's enhanced Indigenous strategy, advising the AFL Indigenous Advisory Council, reviewing the Respect and Responsibility Policy and implementing the AFL's Gender Action Plan.

Tanya was recently appointed to the Indigenous Advisory Group of the NAB and is a Board Director of the Indigenous Land Corporation, the Australian Indigenous Governance Institute and a member of the Referendum Council. In addition, Tanya is the Independent Chair of Price Waterhouse Coopers Indigenous Consulting.



Nick Ryan

Nick Ryan is the CEO of the Australian Aged Care Quality Agency. He was previously the CEO (2010-2013) of Aged Care Queensland. From 1998 to 2010 he was a senior executive in a range of Queensland Government agencies including the Department of the Premier and Cabinet responsible for regional engagement and coordination. Whilst in the Department of Communities he served in a range of roles including General Manager Children and Families and Regional Executive Director Gold Coast overseeing human services including child protection and child care regulation.

He has sat on a number of governance bodies including the Brisbane Catholic Education Council, the Council of the Institute of Public Administration Queensland, the Board of the Leukaemia Foundation of Queensland, and the Board of the Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority. He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Mark Nixon

Mark Nixon is a Partner at Ernst and Young with advisory practices and is the Human Services Leader for Oceania. He has been consulting to the sector for 15 years. Mark has provided advice to both Commonwealth and State governments on Disability, Foster Care, Aged Care and Social Housing Services.

He is a specialist in public sector reforms encompassing policy analysis, market stewardship, procurement, evaluation, performance improvement, corporate governance, pricing strategies, and risk management.

Updated information: Anglicare network meetings

Time has been set aside before, after and throughout the conference for Special Interest Network meetings. Staff with interest in and responsibility for a particular field of work can join a relevant network and learn from the experience of others and provide leadership themselves. If you plan to attend any of these meetings, please let the contact person know so they and the conference team can get an idea of likely numbers.

The below is the most up-to-date information on the network meetings.

Sunday 17 September | 2:00pm - 4.00pm

Network	Room	Convenor
Research	Clovelly Room	Imogen Ebsworth
Chaplaincy, pastoral care and parish relationships (from 3pm)	Coogee Room	Peter Burke



Monday 18 September | 3:45pm - 5.15pm

Network	Room	Convenor
Media and communications	Bronte Room	Maiy Azize
Aged and community care	Centennial Room	Roland Manderson
Chaplaincy, pastoral care and parish relationships	Coogee Room	Peter Burke
Emergency relief	Oceanic Ballroom	Roland Manderson
Out of home care	Clovelly Room	Paul McDonald

Tuesday 19 September | 7:30am - 9:00am

Network	Room	Convenor
Clinical and Care Governance	Blue Salt Restaurant	Roland Manderson and Tom Hodkiss

Tuesday 19 September | 1:15pm - 2.00pm

Network	Room	Convenor
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff network	Centennial Room	Kathy Donnelly and Sonia Waters

Wednesday 20 September | 1:30pm - 4.30pm

Network	Room	Convenor
Chaplaincy, Pastoral Care and Parish Partnerships (from 2pm)	Coogee Room	Peter Burke
Project meeting: ER/FCC Creating an app for clients (1:30 – 2:30pm)	Centennial Room	Glenda Devlin and Glenda Buckley



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We look forward to seeing you at the Conference!

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