



Victorian Branch Annual Weekend Conference

13 – 15 November 2026
RACV Goldfields Resort, Creswick

Provisional Program

Friday 13 November 2026		
1400	Registration opens	
Trainee and Early Career Psychiatrists Town Hall Workshops		
1430 – 1530	Trainee Town Hall Session	Early Career Town Hall Session
1530 – 1545	Afternoon tea	
1545 – 1700	Panel discussion and workshop Leadership and the future of psychiatry Panelists: A/Prof Simon Stafrace, Dr Jenny Babb, and others to be announced	
1900 – 2100	Welcome BBQ	

Saturday 14 November 2026	
0900	Registration opens
Conference Opening	
0930 – 0945	Welcome to Country Welcome A/Prof Simon Stafrace, Victorian Branch Chair
0945 – 1020	Professor Dan Siskind Management of antipsychotic induced physical health problems including obesity with GLP-1RAs
1020 – 1030	Questions
1030 – 1100	Morning tea
1100 – 1110	A/Prof Sophie Adams Working from within government to create positive change: ADHD
1110 – 1135	A/Prof Simon Stafrace From problem to partnership: lessons from developing the Victorian Adult ADHD Shared Care Framework with the RACGP
1135 – 1210	Dr Steven Chau OCD - assessment and management in private practice
1210 – 1225	Questions
1225 – 1325	Lunch

1325 – 1400	Dr Evelyn Bian Implementation of Open Dialogue: Ngamai Wilam and RMH Adult Community Mental Health
1400 – 1435	Katie Larsen A catalyst for change: Lived Experience Leadership and Transformation Recipient 2026 Victorian Meritorious Award for non-Fellows
1435 – 1530	Panel Discussion and Questions Power, partnership and purpose: rethinking leadership in mental health Panelists: Dr Jenny Babb, Dr Evelyn Bian, Katie Larsen & Peter Pamouktsis
1530 – 1600	Afternoon tea
1830	Conference dinner Professor Anne Buist AO Tales from the road: the tension between ‘bio’ and ‘psychosocial’ and where it is heading Recipient 2026 Victorian Meritorious Award for Fellows

Sunday 15 November 2026	
0930 – 1005	Professor Dan Siskind Quality and safe use of clozapine
1005 – 1040	Professor Bruce Singh Surviving life when death walks around us
1040 – 1055	Questions
1055 – 1125	Morning Tea
1125 – 1205	The new Fellowship: trust the process Professor Andrew Teodorczuk, RANZCP Executive Dean of Education <i>Joining virtually</i>
1205 – 1220	Questions
1220 – 1235	A/Prof Simon Stafrace Wrap up – the Victorian Branch in 2027
1235	Lunch