

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

2022

"Health promotion is the process of enabling people to increase control over the determinants of health and thereby improve their health."

(World Health Organization, Ottawa Charter 1986).

### **VISION**

A healthy, equitable Australia.

### **PURPOSE**

Leadership, advocacy and workforce development for health promotion practice, research, evaluation and policy.

### **OUR PRINCIPLES**

To achieve AHPA's vision and purpose the Board and members commit to:

### ETHICAL PRACTICE

Supporting culturally informed, participatory, respectful, and safe practice.

### **HEALTH EQUITY**

Addressing the sociocultural, economic, political, commercial and ecological determinants of health in order to build health equity.

# Promoting and supporting evidence informed research, policy and practice.

### COLLABORATION

Working in partnership with other organisations to improve health and wellbeing.

### **OUR STRATEGY**

- 1. Promote the health promotion profession and our members
- 2. Advocate for health promotion
- 3. Build the professional capacity of AHPA members
- 4. Support career pathways in health promotion
- 5. Promote equity, diversity and inclusion
- 6. Provide responsible and sustainable governance and management

We acknowledge the continuing cultures and knowledges of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples who are the original custodians of the land now known as Australia. We commit to working in collaboration with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander members, their communities, and workplaces in a culturally secure and respectful way. We honour the knowledges held by our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander colleagues and will be guided by their ongoing connections to Country as we do our work.



# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

'Today is only one day in all the days that will ever be. But what will happen in all the other days that ever come can depend on what you do today' - Hemingway -

Welcome to the 2022 Annual Report of the Australian Health Promotion Association (AHPA®). I write what is my 10th annual report on a sunny morning from Whadjuk Noongar boodjar and I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge all the unceded lands where our members and partners are located and our continuing learning journey towards reconciliation as individuals, organisation and as a sector- I am buoyed by our collective efforts.

And though we are disparately located and have relatively few opportunities to engage one another in person, our various networks and participation in different platforms ensure we remain well-connected and that we keep our health promotion community close in this highly globalised world.

So, I am delighted to share with the wonderful work achieved throughout 2022, largely driven by a fantastic volunteer team. And, as I compiled this information with the help of our board, branches and secretariat, I was reminded of the above quote by Hemingway which speaks to me about the focus and purpose of our organisation and the people who make it run.

The year was the third of the current AHPA strategic plan. We were pleased that AHPA was recognised by the Australian Government as the peak body for health promotion in Australia and awarded funding through its Health Peak and Advisory Bodies Program from 2022-2025. This funding and a renewed sense of urgency towards the core services of public health provides a significant opportunity for AHPA and its members to raise our voices, solidifying the value and importance of health promotion and prevention. Our new programs, services and events will facilitate greater participation in health promotion action across a range of health and non-health actors and sectors, amplifying the benefits of the work that we do.

As you know and I usually take the time to highlight, AHPA operates as a very lean organisation. This means our committed membership, our Branches, our volunteer committees, and Board are critical to undertake our work. The national work of the Association is conducted through a range of committees and working groups who I would like to acknowledge. Accordingly, I would like to thank all those who continue to help us grow an effective and thriving organisation.

In particular, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the AHPA Board members who served during 2022. The Board has a responsibility to ensure AHPA is a sustainable organisation and able to represent, promote and build the health promotion profession and advocate for good health. Their continued commitment to the profession and discipline of health promotion and to you, our membership is unwavering. You are the holders of our shared history, and your stewardship provides the roadmap for our shared future. As I have said on many occasions, the work required to achieve our strategic directions is considerable. My colleagues continue to approach our purpose - leadership, advocacy and workforce development for health promotion practice, research, evaluation and policy- with enthusiasm, with fortitude and with courage. For that – I am eternally grateful.

Here's to a healthy equitable Australia – today, tomorrow and all the other days.

Please enjoy reading about our wide range of work and outcomes in 2022.

**Dr Gemma Crawford**National President

### **OUR BOARD**



# DR GEMMA CRAWFORD

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Senior Teaching and Research Academic - Health Promotion + Public Health, Collaboration for Evidence, Research and Impact in Public Health, Curtin School of Population Health, Curtin University; Director, FoxPollard. AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL) Director (2010-); National President (2013-); Member, WA Branch-Strategic Advisory Group (2014–); President/Co-President, WA Branch (2010-2014); Treasurer, WA Branch (2005-2008). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: National President; Chair, National Events Committee; Chair, Executive & Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee; Advocacy Activities; AHPA representative, National Population Health Congress Advisory Committee; Chair, Composition Working Group; Chair Leadership and Governance Training Program Working Group.



### DAVID DUNCAN

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Student Health Coordinator, University of the Sunshine Coast. AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (2011–); National Treasurer (2014–). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: National Treasurer



### JENNY PHILIP-HARBUTT

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Advisor - Community Engagement and Service Development, Anangu Lands Partnership; Department of Education and Child Development (SA). AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (2012-2015; July 2016–); Company Secretary (2013-2015, Sept 2016–). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: AHPA Company Secretary; Co-Chair, AHPA Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Working Group.



### MELINDA EDMUNDS

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Program Manager, Telethon Kids Institute; Sessional Academic Curtin School of Population Health, Curtin University. AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL):Director (2016–); National Vice President (July 2021-); National Secretary (July 2018-2021); Acting Co-Vice President (Dec 2018- April 2019); National Co-Secretary (June 2017 – June 2018); President – WA Branch Committee (2014-2016); Member, Branch Presidents' Working Group (2014-2016); Co-Vice President, WA Branch Committee (2014). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: National Vice President; Chair, Branch Presidents Committee, Advocacy Activities.



### LAURIANNE REINSBOROUGH

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Director Health Promotion at Wellbeing SA AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL):Director (Nov 2022–);



### LUKE VAN DER BEEKE

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Co-Founder and Managing Director of The Behaviour Change Collaborative, and Chair of The BCC Impact AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL):Director (Dec 2022–); WA Branch Committee Member (2019 -)

### **OUR BOARD**



### DR DIMITRI BATRAS

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Principal Consultant - Attained Success Consulting (Vic). AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (2014–); Member, Vic Branch Committee (2007).



### DR KRYSTEN BLACKFORD

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Lecturer, Curtin School of Population Health, Curtin University. AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (July 2018–). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Chair, Health Promotion Ethics Project Working Group; Co-Chair National Learning and Teaching Network; HPJA Digital Strategy Coordinator.



### ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MICHELLE DICKSON

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Deputy Head of School and Program Director of Indigenous Health Promotion, Sydney School of Public Health, University of Sydney. AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (2019-); Secretary, NSW Branch Committee (2017-2019); Vice-President NSW Branch Committee (2021-). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Co-Chair Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Committee





### ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR FREYA MACMILLAN

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Senior Lecturer Interprofessional Health Sciences, Western Sydney University AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (July 2020-current); Member, NSW/ACT Branch Committee (2016-2021); Co-President, NSW/ACT Branch Committee (2020-2021). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Co-Chair National Learning and Teaching Network.



# DR DEAN WHITEHEAD

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Senior Lecturer, University of Tasmania AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (July 2020-). SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Chair – Research, Evaluation and Evidence Translation Committee



LUCY WICKHAM

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Strategic Lead, Programs and Policy, Cancer Council Victoria AHPA EXPERIENCE (STATE/NATIONAL): Director (July 2020-); Member, Vic/Tas Branch (February 2016 - March 2018); Treasurer, Vic/Tas Branch (March 2018- June 2021) SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Chair, National Accreditation Management Committee, Deputy Chair, Registration Sub-Committee (National Accreditation Organisation)

#### STEWARDING THE ASSOCIATION: GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS

We have been supported in our endeavours by an Executive Office and Secretariat. These functions have increased our visibility, capacity and engagement and our progress across all facets of our strategic plan. The Board continued to make progress through a time limited working group to examine the Association's structure (particularly the Board and Branches) to optimise the strategic and operational activities of the Association, ensure continuity of corporate history and reduce burnout of volunteers.

The <u>AHPA Board</u> met face to face in Adelaide post Population Health Congress. Although we have continued to do virtual annual planning meetings, this was our first together face to face since 2019. It was wonderful to have the time and space to connect in a different way. The Board discussed a range of items including the activities of the Commonwealth funded Health Peaks & Advisory Funding, our Reconciliation Action Plan, Board composition and many other topics. We did deep thinking about what we are doing and where we are going as an Association, particularly in light of a number of presentations at the Congress. In the coming months, there will be a range of opportunities for members to engage with the Board on what was discussed. We look forward to continuing to connect with you about the future of AHPA.



Back L to R: Dr Krysten Blackford, Dr Gemma Crawford, David Duncan, Melinda Edmunds Front L to R: Jenny Philip-Harbutt, Lucy Wickham, A/Prof Michelle Dickson Missing: A/Prof Freya MacMillan, Dr Dean Whitehead, Dr Dimitri Batras

### GROWING OUR BASE: MEMBERSHIP

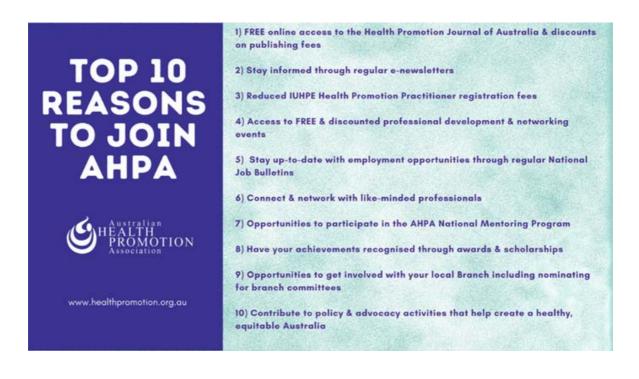
AHPA is the only professional association specifically for people interested or involved in the practice, policy, research and study of health promotion.

Membership of the Association is diverse, and includes designated health promotion practitioners, policy-makers, researchers and students, as well as others involved in promoting physical, mental, social, cultural and environmental health. Many members' primary profession or area of study may be something other than health promotion, however, their responsibilities include promoting health. Members come from a broad range of sectors including health, education, welfare, environment, transport, law enforcement, town planning, housing, and politics. They are drawn from government departments and agencies, universities, non-government organisations, community-based organisations and groups, private companies, and students.

In 2022, membership increased through a focus on recruiting new members, which involved:

- Membership promotions:
  - 30% End-of-Financial-Year membership (new full individual)
  - 10% discount (\$20) when upgrading from Student to Full Membership
- Refer a Friend promotion: 10% discount on membership renewal for current members that refer, and 10% discount for new members that have been referred.
- Mutually beneficial collaborations:
  - University-funded student memberships (e.g. Deakin University, University of Sydney).
- Priority audience membership campaigns
- Strategic communications and partnerships.

AHPA membership offers a number of entitlements and benefits.



#### **KEEPING IN TOUCH: COMMUNICATION**

- 165 e-bulletins distributed
  - 61 National bulletins
  - 104 Branch bulletins
- Over 1,200 health promotion roles shared with members via the fortnightly National Jobs Bulletin service
- Website content refreshed and traffic increased
- Twitter followers increased to over 7,500
- Launch of new AHPA LinkedIn account grew to over 2,700 followers.

Throughout the year AHPA had a significant focus on increasing communication and engagement with members. This increased throughout the year across our primary platforms- the website, e-newsletters and socials (Twitter and LinkedIn). Other strategies included:

- Calling for member contributions to Association activities
- Profiling member testimonials relating to their benefits and IUHPE Registered Health Promotion Practitioner status
- Conducting monthly polls to gather feedback and insights on topical issues
- Active presence on social media to engage members and increase AHPA's profile and reach
- Provision of social and networking events.

A review of the AHPA website and membership system has occurred with additional key website features identified. A Call for Expressions of Interest for a new membership system provider will go to market early 2023.

In its role as the peak body for health promotion in Australia, AHPA's communication is not limited to members and the Association also communicates more broadly with the sector. AHPA leads and contributes to health promotion conversations, provides thought leadership, and communicates with stakeholders and partners including non-members through activity such as:

- Media statements
- Publishing in partner communications
- Contributing quotes and articles to relevant pieces, including Croakey articles.

#### **RAISING OUR VOICE: ADVOCACY + PARTNERSHIPS**

- Maintained partnerships throughout the year and increased advocacy activities including to state and federal politicians about health promotion and workforce investment.
- Actively contributed to the development of national policy, strategies and reforms at the national, state and territory level
- Updated our Health Promotion and Illness Prevention policy position statement in partnership with the Public Health Association Australia
- Increased advocacy activity and outputs.

On behalf of members, the AHPA Board and Branch Committees provided formal and informal submissions, letters and statements on a variety of national and state/territory issues of relevance to our role in promoting good health, preventing illness and redressing inequities. Our advice is underpinned by the evidence for effective health promotion policies and strategies and the needs of our members and all those working in the field of health promotion. Often, AHPA collaborated with our partners on joint submissions, and invited members to contribute their expertise in providing input.

### RAISING OUR VOICE: ADVOCACY + PARTNERSHIPS CONT.

In 2022, advocacy and partnership activity involved:

- 9 submissions to inquiries and public consultations
- 2 new position statements
- 1 meeting with policy-makers
- 1 report publication
- 13 letters and statements (signatory)
- 5 campaigns supported
- 2 media staments and quotes
- 2 election campaigns (engaged in advocacy).

Further details on specific advocacy action is provided in the table below.

Category	Details		
Submissions to	Inquiry into online gambling and its impacts on problem gamblers		
Inquiries and	2. Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care Public Health Workforce		
public	Analysis 'Defining the Public Health Workforce consultation paper'		
consultations	<ol> <li>Cancer Australia's public consultation draft of the 10-year Australian Cancer Plan.</li> </ol>		
(written, online	4. Online submission to the Senate Inquiry into universal access to reproductive healthcare		
and in-person)	<ol><li>Online submission to Australian Government National Health Literacy Strategy Framework Consultation</li></ol>	¢	
	<ol> <li>Submission to Parliamentary Inquiry: Planning and delivery of school infrastructure in New South Wales and attendance as a witness</li> </ol>	/	
	<ol> <li>Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care's Centre for Disease Control (CDC) Consultation Discussion Paper: Role and Functions of an Australian Centre for Disease Control, Consultation Paper - November 2022.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>AHPA was a witness at the Inquiry into the planning and delivery of school infrastructure in New South Wales</li> </ol>	n	
	<ol> <li>AHPA participated in the Australian Centre for Disease Control Consultation Roadshow Factor Face November 2022 Adelaide</li> </ol>	ce	
Development of	1. COVID-19 Vaccination		
position	2. AHPA and PHAA are pleased to release the revised Health Promotion and Illness Preventio	n	
statements	Policy Position Statement. This sets out updated evidence both in relation to health issues	i	
	and determinants and evidence based approaches and effectiveness. It includes		
	information on investment and enablers as well as key actions and positions which will be		
	useful as we head towards a federal and various state elections. Our thanks to Sydney Loca		
	Health District for supporting the document design and to our expert review panel for their	ir	
	advice.		
Meetings	AHPA Vice-President Melinda Edmunds met with Hon. Emma McBride MP, Assistant		
	Minister for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, Assistant Minister Rural and Regional		
	Health on 13 September to discuss the Association and our activities, health promotion		
	more broadly, social determinants of health and inequities.		
Publication of	Report: An evidence-informed review to support the development of the South Australian	1	
reports	Health Promotion Workforce Strategy		
Signatory on	1. Signatory to a campaign and open letter urging all levels of government to ban fossil fuel		
letters and	advertising for our planet and health		
statements	2. Calling for firearm data transparency		
	3. Endorsed the Framework for a Fair Democracy		
	4. Joined FARE and 80+ health groups in signing Open letter: Put the health, wellbeing and		
	safety of Australians first and abandon any plans to cut the price of alcohol		
	5. Signed onto FARE Statement on the alcohol industry's review of its Alcohol Beverages		
I	Advertising Code (ABAC)		

#### RAISING OUR VOICE: ADVOCACY + PARTNERSHIPS CONT.

Signatory on letters and statements	<ol> <li>Signed on to two joint letters led by ACOSS from the community sector to Federal Election candidates calling on them to commit to two game-changer policies to reduce poverty and inequality. These policies are: lift income support payments to above the poverty line so everyone can cover the basic and invest in 25,000 social housing units each year as part of a National Housing Plan</li> <li>Signed onto the Medical Association for Prevention of War's statement on the ongoing war in Ukraine.</li> <li>Joined Obesity Policy Coalition and 20+ other health and consumer orgs to call for more work to be put into food regulatory reforms to put the health of Australians and New Zealanders first.</li> <li>Signed up to the Obesity Policy Coalition's Brands off our kids! statement to support government action to implement four actions for a childhood free from unhealthy food marketing.</li> <li>Signed the Streets for Life - Open Letter Together we #Love30! to call for low-speed, liveable stress.</li> <li>AHPA signed the National Construction Code shared statement along with a coalition of peak bodies and organisations (including ACOSS, Energy Consumers Australia, ASBEC, Climate Council, Energy Efficiency Council, Property Council, and Renew) to back higher energy standards for new homes.</li> <li>Signed joint public health and consumer letters on FSANZ Act Reforms, in collaboration with a consortium of health organisations led by the Obesity Policy Coalition and Cancer Council Victoria.</li> <li>World Health Organization's Call for Action—a global movement to promote access to health information and to mitigate harm from health misinformation among online and offline communities</li> </ol>
Campaign	1. Raise the Age
support	<ol><li>Food Health Alliance (formerly Obesity Policy Coalition)'s Kids are sweet enough campaign</li></ol>
	<ol> <li>Australasian Society for Physical Activity's Three Transport Priorities</li> </ol>
	Cancer Council Victoria's Food Fight campaign
	5. Raise the Rate for Good National Day of Action
Media	<ol> <li>On the road to opening up, the challenges facing Western Australia – Croakey Health</li> </ol>
statements and	Media: <a href="https://www.croakey.org/on-the-road-to-opening-up-the-challenges-facing-western-">www.croakey.org/on-the-road-to-opening-up-the-challenges-facing-western-</a>
quotes	australia/
	2. Forum puts spotlight on key health issues for the South Australian election – Croakey Health
	Media: <a href="https://www.croakey.org/forum-puts-spotlight-on-key-health-issues-for-the-south-">www.croakey.org/forum-puts-spotlight-on-key-health-issues-for-the-south-</a>
	australian-election/
Election	1. SA State Election - 19 March
campaigns	2. Federal Election – 21 May

In addition to leading health promotion advocacy activity nationally, each month AHPA provided members with a comprehensive list of opportunities for members to get involved and contribute to the development of national policy, strategies and reforms at the national, state and territory level. This curated list helps our members to identify specific opportunities to advocate for a healthy, equitable Australia.



#### RAISING OUR VOICE: ADVOCACY + PARTNERSHIPS CONT.

AHPA's 5 Federal Election priorities:

Appropriate funding for, and implementation, monitoring and evaluation of, the Australian Government's National Preventive Health Strategy 2021-2030.

Strategic government leadership for health promotion and illness prevention beyond a focus on specific topics or particular diseases.

A target of 5% health expenditure towards health promotion and illness prevention.

Funding and support for health promotion and illness prevention workforce planning and training.

Professional development funding and support for workforce accreditation and registration.

Report: An evidence-informed review to support the development of the South Australian Health Promotion Workforce Strategy

Wellbeing SA commissioned the Australian Health Promotion Association to undertake an evidence-informed scoping review on the health promotion workforce. Wellbeing SA is the state government agency leading a renewed focus on prevention and supporting the physical, mental and social wellbeing of all South Australians. The goal of this project is to understand best practice approaches that support the development of a robust and sustainable health promotion workforce. This will inform the creation of a Health Promotion Workforce Development Strategy aimed at reinvigorating the health promotion profession in South Australia. Michele Herriot, Kristy Schirmer and Dr Stefania Velardo, long-time AHPA members, prepared the review.

An evidence-informed review to support the development of the South Australian Health Promotion Workforce Strategy

Report for Wellbeing SA by the Australian Heal

Prepared by Michele Herriot, Health Procedure Consulting Kristly Schimer, Zookmeton Consulting and



AHPA values its formal and informal partnerships with a range of organisations spanning different sectors. Our members also engage with a variety of government and community organisations through their health promotion work. Our partnerships allow us to work together to maximise our efforts to promote health, prevent illness and address the determinants of health. Partnerships exist at the local, State and Territory, national and international level, for example supporting a range of climate and health initiatives, particularly with the Climate and Health Alliance and supporting the work of the Australian Gun Safety Alliance.

AHPA is pleased to be continuously expanding our networks and partnerships and in 2022 joined the Wellbeing and Prevention Coalition in Mental Health.

A list of affiliations is available online: www.healthpromotion.org.au/about-ahpa/affiliations

#### PROVIDING CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: EVENTS

- 39 events
- Over 1,500 attendees
- Participants overwhelmingly satisfied

AHPA events build workforce capacity in health promotion competencies and assist those who have achieved registration as an IUHPE Health Promotion Practitioner to fulfil their Continuing Professional Development (CPD) requirements. The Association has a history of delivering high quality events and our events are a highly valued benefit of membership.

Furthermore, in addition to delivering events, AHPA curates a list of sector events for members that include conferences, workshops and other professional development opportunities. A comprehensive list is available online and is sent to members monthly. It is free of charge to include listings.

Broadly speaking, events included:

- Professional and social networking events
- Skill building and professional development events
- Committee and Working Group meetings
- Health Promotion Teaching and Learning Community of Practice sessions
- Online Journal Club meetings
- Student and early career practitioner career nights and events
- IUHPE Registered Health Promotion Practitioner drop in sessions
- Awards nights
- Regional showcases.

Our flagship events included planning for the IUHPE 2022 Conference and the 2022 Population Health Congress.

Most AHPA events were delivered online to increase accessibility and provided free of charge. Events were aligned to the IUHPE Core Competencies and Professional Standards for Health Promotion, and included globally renowned leader Sir Michael Marmot.

The focus for the first six months was for AHPA to support the delivery of the Population Health Congress which was delivered in hybrid format to 578 delegates.



Sir Michael Marmot



Pictured: AHPA members at the Pre-Congress breakfast, 2022 Population Health Congress.

#### PROVIDING CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: EVENTS

AHPA President, Dr Gemma Crawford and AHPA Fellow, Associate Professor Justine Leavy were members of the Congress Organising Committee and was chair of the Plenary Session "Priorities for Planet and Place: Taking Action for a Sustainable Future".

AHPA delivered a Pre-Congress breakfast and provided bursaries for four members to attend. In addition, AHPA hosted an online pre-congress workshop: First Nations Workshop: Building Knowledge Exchange Skills, with presenters A/Prof Kalinda Griffiths, Dr Tess Ryan and Dr Melissa Sweet which was attended by over 50 health professionals.

At our 2022 AGM we were fortunate to have a guest presentation by Lyn Dean and Laurianne Reinsborough, Wellbeing SA, and Michele Herriot, Kristy Schirmer and Stefania Velardo from AHPA on future-proofing the health promotion workforce.

The 15th Eberhard Wenzel Memorial Oration was delivered by Prof Evelyne de Leeuw who reflected on Eberhard's principles in the Oration entitled: On power, parrhesia and health promotion.



#### ORATOR: PROFESSOR VELVNE DE LEFIN

# ON POWER, PARRHESIA & HEALTH PROMOTION

Evelyne is a professor of urban health and policy at UNSW Sydney. Her background is in public health and health promotion, cities, and health political science. Her claim to fame, initially, in the health promotion community was that she attended the eponymous conference where the Ottawa Charter was developed and adopted. She has been part of the European Healthy Cities movement since its launch in 1986. She has been editor for Health Promotion International for nearly 20 years, and with Patrick Fafard, for the Palgrave Studies in Public Health Policy Research book series. She recently launched, with Patrick Harris, a new OUP Flagship journal. Infrastructure and Health. Current innovation efforts aim at the integration of (Indigenous) cosmology and spirituality. One Health, and Healthy Cities. Evelyne acts as Vice-President of Scientific Affairs of the International Union of Health Promotion and Education. She has published and edited seven books, over 200 peer reviewed papers and three novels.

We invite members to join our end of year virtual event. Our distinguished speaker will deliver the Eberhard Wenzel Oration, and we will present a number of awards.

The **Oration** celebrates Eberhard's legacy, serving to stimulate a culture of critical and reflective discussion for the advancement of health promotion in Australia. For more see https://www.healthpromotion.org.au/about-ahpa/orations.

The National Health Promotion Learning and Teaching Award recognise the valuable contribution and commitment of Australian learning and teaching academics.

The Ray James Memorial Award recognises excellence and innovation in health promotion research published in the Health Promotion Journal of Australia.

The Chris Rissel Reviewer Award recognises the contribution of journal reviewers.



Register by 12 December: www.healthpromotion.org.au/events/national/726-eberhard-wenzel-oration

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## CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY OF RECONCILIATION: ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMITTEE

- AHPA commissioned an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artist to develop original artwork to be used for resources related to AHPA's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).
- AHPA continued its national journey of reconciliation with futher progress on its reconciliation action plan
- A pre-Congress workshop was delivered by AHPA Thinker in Residence A/Prof Kalinda Griffiths, Dr Tess Ryan, and Dr Melissa Sweet from Croakey on building knowledge exchange.

# CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY OF RECONCILIATION: ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMITTEE CONT.

An exciting development this year was commission an artist to develop an artwork to support our reconciliation journey. See more about our artist, Rachel Radcliffe below. Rachel's artwork will be unveiled next year.



Pictured: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artist and AHPA member Rachel Radcliffe

I am a Yamatji/Martu woman born in Geraldton, Western Australia. When I was young, I would paint and do various arts with my mother including making jewellery and paintings. I love painting and I do it to tell stories and keep connected to my Aboriginal culture. My mother and family have passed down traditional techniques which I use in both canvas paintings and digital artwork. Since 2015, I have worked full time and studied a Bachelor of Health Science to ultimately help improve the health outcomes for my people. With the demand and stress of working full time and studying part-time, I was able to come back down, relax and be creative in my art.

The WA Branch continued its strong commitment to training Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in health promotion through its Healthway funded scholarships program. This year it included the delivery of a health promotion short course, conducted by Curtin University.

In partnership with Croakey, AHPA hosted a First Nations workshop at the Population Health Congress. The event, attended by over 50 professionals, continued AHPA's tradition of having an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander focus at annual conferences. The focus of the session was on building knowledge exchange.

Members of the Board provided also consultation to the College of Intensive Care Medicine of Australia and New Zealand on curriculum that they were developing and developed several statements throughout the year around critical First Nations health and social policy.

A Virtual Issue on 'Privileging Indigenous Voices in Health Promotion' is also being explored by the Health Promotion Journal of Australian for 2023.





#### FIRST NATIONS WORKSHOP BUILDING KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE SKILLS

A workshop to support and empower First Nations people and people working in Indigenous health and with First Nations communities to share their work and stories widely across different platforms, with a focus on building skills in:

- · Academic publications
- · Press, PR and Public Interest Journalism
- Social media.

#### Presenters



Dr Kalinda Griffiths AHPA Thinker in Residence



Dr Melissa Sweet

Journalist

Editor-in-Chief, Crookey



Dr Tess Ryan Academic, Writer

Tuesday 20 September 2022, 11:00-2:00pm AEST



#### RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE: OUR AWARDS

The Association is committed to recognising great health promotion contributors. We were pleased to award a life membership to Michelle Herriot and the Glen Paley Award to Dr Carl Heslop. Congratulations to Associate Professor Justine Leavy who was awarded the 2022 Chris Rissel Reviewer Award for her outstanding contributions as a reviewer for HPJA. A/Prof Leavy was also awarded The National Health Promotion Learning and Teaching Award.

We also recognised Emma Carlin, Zaccariah Cox, Erica Spry, Conor Monahan, Julia Marley, & David Atkinson who won the 2022 Ray James Memorial Award for their paper titled <u>"When I got the news"</u>: Aboriginal fathers in the Kimberley region yarning about their experience of the antenatal period.

In addition, AHPA awarded four scholarship to attend the 2022 Australian Population Health Congress to the following members: Tahna Pettman, Tamzin France, Christina Heris and Talia Blythman.

Congratulations everyone.

# FOSTERING PATHWAYS TO (LONG-TERM) PRACTICE: THE NATIONAL STUDENT AND EARLY CAREER PRACTITIONER PRACTICE GROUP

We established an active National Student and Early Career Practitioner Practice Group. During the year the group hosted an event for members and non members titled Networking - why is it important, how to do it well, and how it can help your career. The group also facilitated AHPA's popular jobs bulletin.

### MAKING SECTOR CONNECTIONS: NATIONAL MENTORING PROGRAM

- Matching all 25 mentee applicants with a mentor
- Revitalising all the AHPA Mentoring communications, and
- Great commitment and teamwork by the committee to help the program run smoothly and on time.

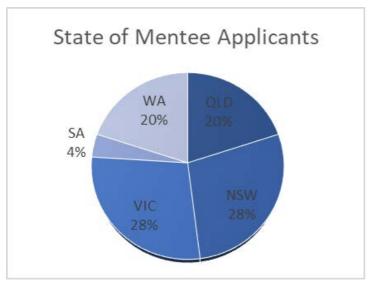
The 2022 National Mentoring Program attracted 25 applications for mentees spread fairly evenly across Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and Western Australia, with some representation from South Australia. This included:

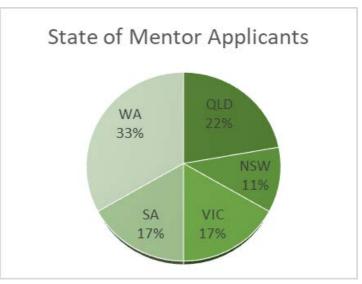
- 5 student applicants
- 17 applicants who were newly graduated or early in their career
- 3 applicants who were more advanced in their health promotion career

Fourteen mentor applications were initially received through the online application process, with an additional four mentors joining the program after being approached by the Working Group.

This enabled the Working Group to match every mentee with a mentor, including two mentoring groups, and 18 one-on-one mentoring partnerships.

### MAKING SECTOR CONNECTIONS: NATIONAL MENTORING PROGRAM CONT.





The AHPA mentoring communication also got a refresh this year, with changes made to the AHPA Mentoring Booklet based on feedback from the previous years' evaluations. Similarly, monthly eNewsletters were also revamped with a new look and new content, including some fabulous videos made by previous mentors, and an online Q&A session. The AHPA National Mentoring Working Group supported the program through to September, finishing with an evaluation survey, the results of which will continue to improve the program.

The Working Group would like to give thanks to the many mentors who agreed to participate, including those who mentored more than one mentee, and those who stepped in when contacted. It really showed their commitment to health promotion workforce development.

# RESEARCH, EVALUATION & EVIDENCE TRANSLATION FOR HEALTH PROMOTION: REET AND THE HPJA

- The HPJA Impact Factor continued to rise, breaking the two-point threshold, where it now sits at 2.033.
- An additional journal issue was introduced in 2022, with an increase to four issues per year. This has resulted in a marked increase in the number of articles published between 2021 to 2022, from 70 to 104.
- The publishing contract with Wiley was extended for the next 5 calendar years (2023-2027). This provides a stable environment for HPJA to continue to grow and flourish; and ensures continuity in journal publishing processes.

It was another productive year for the AHPA Research, Evaluation and Evidence Translation (REET) Committee and the Editorial Team of the Health Promotion Journal of Australia (HPJA). Other key achievements have included:

- 4,690 institutions offered access to the HPJA content.
- Continued growth in usage from Wiley Online Library, up 13% from 2021.
- Number of submissions increased by 5.7% from 2021, at a time when a global downward trend has been noted among other journals.
- The acceptance rate increased slightly from 2021 to 51.6% in 2022.
- On average, the 2022 submission to acceptance rate has remained steady over the past five years.
- The median days from receipt in production to publication in early view has dropped to 16 days from 23 days, meaning content can be accessed by readers earlier.

# RESEARCH, EVALUATION & EVIDENCE TRANSLATION FOR HEALTH PROMOTION: REET AND THE HPJA CONT.

A special edition on *Learning and Teaching in Health Promotion* was published in 2022. A huge thanks to Guest Editors Dr Krysten Blackford, A/Prof Jane Taylor, Dr Sue Devine and Dr James Woodall for their leadership with the special issue. This has made a significant contribution to global scholarship on this topic, placing Australia as a world-leader in this space. A thematic issue on health promotion with fathers from marginalised backgrounds is being planned for 2023 in partnership with the *Australian Journal of Rural Health*, with the intent of pooling content into a combined cross-title Virtual Issue. This has been supported by Associate Professor Richard Fletcher. An additional special issue focused on the Wellbeing Economy is also in the pipeline for 2023 with Guest Editor leadership from Associate Professor Carmel Williams. A Virtual Issue on 'Privileging Indigenous Voices in Health Promotion' is also being explored.

An important achievement for the HPJA over the past five years is a marked increase in Indigenous health promotion scholarship, with a parallel increase in Indigenous authorship and Indigenous reviewer and editorial participation. HPJA has published more than 70 papers on Indigenous health promotion, two of which are reflected in the top six most viewed articles in the HPJA for 2022.

The Editorial team continued to grow throughout 2022. This helped support the delivery of multiple writing for publication workshops, and continued engagement with the Online Journal Club which ran three events in 2022. The online journal club continues to be a great professional development activity for members, and an opportunity to discuss current practice with other health promotion practitioners around Australia. Further details on the OJC can be found on the AHPA website <a href="https://www.healthpromotion.org.au/journal/online-journal-club">https://www.healthpromotion.org.au/journal/online-journal-club</a>. Online journal club articles were those recently published in the HPJA, and topics of focus in these articles were perceptions of healthy diets in the general public and nutrition experts, health promotion curricula with special focus on advocacy and Indigenising subjects, and physical activity programs at different ends of the life spectrum.

After five years as Editor-in-Chief, Professor James Smith has indicated he will step down from the role next year, with plans for REET to facilitate an EOI process in the first half of 2023. A special thank you also to Dr Dean Whitehead for all of his contributions as outgoing chair of REET and welcome to our new chair A/Prof Freya MacMillan who commenced in the role in 2023.

# HEALTH PROMOTION IN ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS: THE HEALTH PROMOTION LEARNING AND TEACHING COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

- At the end of 2022 the CoP had more than 300 members.
- Three newsletters were created for members in 2022, outlining recent learning and teaching news, events, and publications.
- Two PD events were held: "Embedding a critical health promotion approach into health promotion curricula"; and "Course accreditation and practitioner registration"

AHPA members with an interest in learning and teaching in health promotion are invited to participate in the national Health Promotion Learning and Teaching Community of Practice (CoP). The aim of the CoP is to share ideas, resources, and expertise relating to health promotion courses and accreditation. The CoP provided newsletters and scholarly professional development opportunities for AHPA members throughout the year.

# DEVELOPING ETHICAL PRACTICE AND BUILDING THE EVIDENCE BASE: THE HEALTH PROMOTION ETHICS PROJECT

- The pilot project for health promotion organisations to access ethical oversight was launched, with four health promotion organisations participating and submitting applications for review.
- Ethical practice content for the AHPA website was developed, with implementation of the final version planned for 2023.

The Health Promotion Ethics Project (HPEP) Working Group continued to develop a framework for health promotion ethics comprising two pillars: 1) developing critical practice; and 2) building the evidence-base for health promotion. The major focus of the HPEP Working Group in 2022 was the implementation of a pilot project to evaluate a potential model for building the evidence base and brokering access to an ethics oversight mechanism that is sensitive to health promotion context. Pilot evaluation results and recommendations are expected in 2023.

# CONTINUING TO BUILD ON ITS SOLID START: THE NATIONAL ACCREDITATION ORGANISATION

- Australia continues to have the highest number of Registered Health Promotion Practitioners (RHPPs) in the world.
- AHPA continued to enhance and strengthen its registration governance structure, online systems, volunteer support, and marketing and communications.
- The Australian National Accreditation Organisation (NAO) continued its leadership in supporting, promoting and influencing the International Union for Health Promotion and Education's (IUHPE's) global accreditation system.

During 2022, our Association has led the ongoing development and implementation of the only accreditation system in Australia that offers health promotion practitioners an opportunity to be registered. Through registration, practitioners are able to demonstrate to current and future employers that they are competent across a set of internationally recognised domains of practice.

The AHPA NAO continued to assess, register and reregister health promotion practitioners in Australia on behalf of IUHPE. At the end of 2022, 112 people were registered and 28 Registered Health Promotion Practitioners had successfully reregistered.

The <u>Australian RHPP Register</u> is available on the AHPA website and our RHPP are included in the IUHPE Health Promotion Accreditation System <u>Global Register</u>.



# CONTINUING TO BUILD ON ITS SOLID START: THE NATIONAL ACCREDITATION ORGANISATION

Key achievements included:

- With a focus on succession planning and recruitment of new members to NAO committees, four new assessors were recruited and joined the NAO Registration Subcommittee.
- Marketing and communications activities included:
- Four 'Applying for registration everything you need to know' information sessions were delivered to encourage and support registration applications with 55 attendees.
- A presentation was delivered at AHPA's Health Promotion Learning and Teaching Community of Practice on pathways to registration for graduates of IUHPE accredited courses.
- An "I pledge to become IUHPE registered in 2022" campaign was delivered which included collection and promotion of testimonials from registered AHPA members.
- Regular updates were provided on the AHPA website and via the AHPA national newsletter.
- A review and realignment of registration system administration was undertaken including fee payment processes and associated communication.
- An NAO Management Committee member coordinated and participated in a Symposia on registration at the 2022 IUHPE World Conference. In addition to Australia, NAOs from New Zealand, Ireland, Italy and Israel were represented.
- An NAO Management Committee member continued to convene the IUHPE
   Accreditation System Action Committee focused on reviewing IUHPE Accreditation
   System governance arrangements, updating the Accreditation System Handbook
   and the IUHPE website, and increasing the number of countries with a NAO.



#### **BRANCH ACTIVITY**

### New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory

- Early Career and Research Speed Mentoring event hosted in partnership with AEA and PHAA. Dr James Kite and A/Prof Freya MacMillan were part of the organising committee and NSW/ACT Branch Committee members participated as mentors. Several students attended and remained in contact with the mentors post event.
- AHPA Members Professional Development Scholarship In 2021 the Branch developed a NSW/ACT AHPA Members Professional Development Scholarship which was implemented and launched in August 2022. This scholarship was established through a social equity lens to provide financial assistance of up to \$1000 to members who are studying an approved professional development activity. There was one successful recipient of this scholarship - congratulations to Christina Heris.
- Climate Change Event AHPA NSW/ACT and QLD hosted a conjoint webinar titled Climate Change Advocacy: From Global to Local held on Monday 31 October 2022. The speakers of the event included Dr. Nicole Sleeman (Doctors for the Environment Australia) and Dr. Melissa Sweet (Croakey). A resource package was prepared by the Branches and shared with the event participants.

#### **Northern Territory**

- As a member of the Northern Territory AIDS and Hepatitis Council (NTHAC), AHPA NT has been promoting and supporting the health promotion events organised by NTHAC.
- AHPA NT has been invited as a guest speaker to present at Faculty of Health Science & Allied Health, Charles Darwin University.
- AHPA NT Facebook page crossed 400 followers.

#### Queensland

• Two highlights for the Queensland Branch were the co-development of the Climate Change Advocacy: Global to Local event alongside NSW/ACT branch on the 31st October 2023 and the call for professional development bursaries in July 2022.



#### **BRANCH ACTIVITY CONT**

#### South Australia

- Wellbeing SA Health Promotion Workforce Review Completed Continued engagement and presented at the Future-Proofing the Health Promotion Workforce workshop tied into Population Health Congress.
- Population Health Congress 2022 Stall managed by SA Branch.
- Submissions and continued advocacy towards health promotion; including Parliament of South Australia, Legislative Council of South Australia Select Committee on Health Services in South Australia – advocating for Health Promotion Workforce, the Select Committee on Public and Active Transport – joint submission with PHAA, SA Raise the Age Coalition and Australian CDC Consultation workshop attendance - putting Health Promotion on the agenda as part of the centres functions.



#### Western Australia

- Held the annual student careers night in partnership with PHAA.
- Presented at Mindarie Senior Highschool about working in health promotion.
- Undertaking next round of Healthway Scholarships.

#### Victoria / Tasmania

- The Branch has focused on raising their profile and increasing advocacy efforts. The State Election in Victoria provided a valuable opportunity to work with colleagues from the Public Health Association of Australia and Australasian Epidemiological Campaign on a member driven advocacy campaign. There was also direct advocacy to the Victorian Government on changes to the guidelines associated with Community Health Promotion.
- The Branch has worked hard to increase engagement between AHPA and the health promotion sector in Tasmania, and have valued the support of the Local Government Association of Tasmania for their connections with practitioners across the state.
- The Branch continued to deliver professional development events, often in partnership with member agencies on emerging topics of interest. In 2022, these included the launch of research into the impact of climate change on the mental health of young people and a well-attended student and early career event in partnership with PHAA, AEA and AFPHM.
- Offered an award in partnership with Deakin University and for the first time, joined with VicHealth to offer their Future Changemaker Award. These Awards are a great opportunity to celebrate emerging leaders in the Health Promotion Sector.

## **THANK YOU**

AHPA operates as a very lean organisation. This means our committed membership and our volunteer committees and Board critical for us to undertake our work. The national work of the Association is conducted through a number of committees and working groups who we would like to acknowledge.

- Executive Office staffing
  - Executive Officer Rebecca Zosel and Project Officers Carly Melville and Veronica Abuan
- Volunteers: Laura O'Dowd and Anna Kelly

#### **COMMITTEES**

#### ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMITTEE

Jenny Philip-Harbutt (Co-Chair), A/Prof Michelle Dickson (Co-Chair), Larissa Perry, Ashley Leek, Christina Heris, Daniel Bomford, Kym Yuke, Tahir Ali, James Cripps, Mel Rowcroft

#### BRANCH PRESIDENTS' COMMITTEE

Melinda Edmunds (Chair), Gabrielle Fisher and Liana Bellifemini, Jemma King, David Towl and Teresa Capetola, Lily Palmer and Dr Carl Heslop, Anshul Kaul, Prof Philayrath Phongsavan and Dr Sarah Taki

### **EXECUTIVE & FINANCE, AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Dr Gemma Crawford (Chair), Melinda Edmunds, David Duncan, Jenny Philip-Harbutt, Luke Van der Beeke, Laurianne Reinsborough

#### NATIONAL ACCREDITATION ORGANISATION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Lucy Wickham (Chair), Andrew Jones-Roberts, Tia Lockwood, Dr Dimitri Batras, Dr Margo Sendall.

#### RESEARCH, EVALUATION & EVIDENCE TRANSLATION COMMITTEE

Dr Dean Whitehead (Chair), A/Prof Freya MacMillan, Prof Jenni Judd, Prof James Smith, Dr Krysten Blackford, Prof Chris Rissel, Prof Jonine Jancey, A/Prof Justine Leavy

### **WORKING GROUPS**

### **HEALTH PROMOTION ETHICS PROJECT**

Dr Krysten Blackford (Chair), Prof Sharyn Burns, Dr Gemma Crawford, Francene Leaversuch, A/Prof Jane Taylor

#### LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE WORKING GROUP

Dr Gemma Crawford, Luke van der Beeke, Darci Miller, Anshul Kaul

#### **COMPOSITION WORKING GROUP**

Dr Gemma Crawford, Dr Dimitri Batras, Lucy Wickham, A/Prof Freya MacMillan, Dr Dean Whitehead, Melinda Edmunds

#### NATIONAL MENTORING WORKING GROUP

Isabel Ross, Michele Herriot, Lily Palmer, Kirsty de Blanken.

# **THANK YOU**



#### **WORKING GROUPS CONT**

#### **REGISTRATION SUB-COMMITTEE**

Tia Lockwood (Chair), Lucy Wickham (Deputy Chair), Ann Barblett, Kylie Tekell, Madeleine Fabian, Prof Sharyn Burns, Kristiann Heesch, Mitchell Bowden, Dr Kahlia McCausland, Sarah Lausberg, Georgia Thacker, Tracy Waddell and Jessica Wagner.

#### **APPEALS & COMPLAINTS SUB-COMMITTEE**

Andrew Jones-Roberts (Chair), David Towl, Prof James Smith, Kristy Schirmer.

#### ONLINE JOURNAL CLUB

Alana Storey, Francene Leaversuch, Sam Menezes, Dr Joanna Schwarzman, A/Prof Freya MacMillan, Dr Linda Portsmouth, Dr Dean Whitehead.

#### CONFERENCE PARTNER REPRESENTATIVES

Michele Herriot, Dr Margo Sendell, Dr Gemma Crawford, Dr Justine Leavy, Andrew Jones-Roberts, Dr Jo Walker, Melinda Edmunds

#### **COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE**

# HEALTH PROMOTION LEARNING AND TEACHING COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE: Dr Krysten Blackford (Chair) and A/Prof Freya MacMillan

### NATIONAL STUDENT AND EARLY CAREER PRACTITIONER PRACTICE GROUP:

Luke Giles (Co-Chair), Jane Pirouc (Co-Chair), Cynthi Yapa, Obinna Edom, Madeeha Zaher, Pavithra Vasanthakumar, Dr Joanne Flavel, Alyssa Monte, Daniel Smith, Kate Ditchburn, Charuni Dissanayaka, Pasquale Popovski.

#### **BRANCHES**

NSW/ACT Branch: Dr James Kite, Dr Jennifer Evans, Dr Josephine Chau, Justin Guagliano (Secretary), Sarah Taki (Co-President), Prof Philayrath Phongsavan (Co-President), Miriam Delailomaloma (Vice President), Madhur Chhabra, Prof Li Ming Wen, A/Prof Michelle Dickson, A/Prof Freya MacMillan, Glen Ramos

NT Branch: Dr Anshul Kaul (President), Jessica Murray (Secretary), Chantelle de Lastic, Professor James Smith, Tamzin France, Vincent He.

QLD Branch: Rachel Acton, Anne Bartuschat, Serena Booy, Susan Breckenridge, Melanie Cook (Chair Comms and Advocacy Sub Committee), Anita Cowlishaw, Sue Devine, Cathie Gillan, Kalie Green, Julia Henseleit (until September), Jemma King (President), Laura Leyden (Chair Professional Development, Events and Scholarship Sub Committee), Kath McFarlane, Carlie Smith (Vice President), James Wong

SA Branch: Gabrielle Fisher and Liana Bellifemini (Co-Presidents); Stefania Velardo (Vice President); Shreyta Pradhan and Caroline Adams (Co-Minutes Secretaries); Talia Blythman (Correspondence Secretary); Jane Harford, Kainat Nazir and Tegan Jefferies

VIC/TAS Branch: David Towl (Co-President), Teresa Capetola (Co-President), Prue Steer (Vice President), Siobhan Sullivan (Secretary), Kate Lowsby, Melissa Morris, Anthea Maynard

**WA Branch:** Dr Carl Heslop (Co-President), Lily Palmer (Co-President), Kaitlin Johnson (Vice-President), Emily Munro (Co-Secretary), Triahna Coombs (Co-Secretary), Luke van der Beeke, Alisha Davis, Athira Rohit, Chanaka Thanthirige



# TREASURER'S REPORT

I am pleased to report on the finances of the Australian Health Promotion Association for 2022.

The association remains financially viable with net assets of \$608,109 across the Association as at 31 December 2022. AHPA recorded a surplus of \$63,064 in 2022, compared to \$36 in 2021.

While membership income remained stable, all other revenue items had significant increases compared to 2021, resulting in a 50% increase in total revenue.

In particular, the \$35,000 HPJA journal royalty was five times higher than the previous year, resulting in the first net profit for the HPJA. We also received a \$15,000 profit share from the Population Health Congress, after no conference revenue in 2021. A new revenue stream, the Australian Government's Health Peak Advisory Body grant, commenced in July, with nearly \$60,000 allocated in 2022.

Expenses increased by approximately 30%, but this was in line with the budget forecast. Almost all of this increase related to expenditure on deliverables and project consultant fees funded by government grants and contracts.

The higher than expected surplus of \$63,064 resulted from the unexpected windfalls from the HPJA, conference and interest income.

In accordance with reporting requirements, the full 2022 AHPA financial statement has been externally reviewed by an auditor and submitted to the Australian Charities and Notfor-Profits Commission (ACNC). The statement will also be published on the AHPA website.

A note from the National Treasurer: I would like to thank my colleagues on the Board, the Branch executives and all AHPA members for their commitment to the Association. In my final year in this role, I am pleased to state AHPA is in relatively good financial health. In particular, the Health Peak Body grant funds puts AHPA in a strong position to support its strategic goals for the next three years.

DAVID DUNCAN TREASURER

AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
ABN 44 373 080 790

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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#### **General Information**

The financial report covers Australian Health Promotion Association Limited (Company) as an individual entity. The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is the functional and presentation currency of the Company.

The financial report consists of the financial statements, notes to the financial statements and the Directors' Declaration.

The Company is a not-for-profit unlisted public Company Limited by Guarantee, a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The Company's registered office is: 38 Surrey Road Keswick SA 5035

#### **AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED**

# AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 60-40 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CHARITIES AND NOT-FOR-PROFITS COMMISSION ACT 2012 TO THE DIRECTORS OF AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the period ended 31 December 2022 there have been:

- no contraventions of the my independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-forprofits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the review; and
- ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

Simon Fry

Registered Company Auditor No 230153

16 June 2023

# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Membership Fees	125,793	125,942
Grants	246,544	159,414
Conference Income	15,749	-
PD Events & Workshops	2,369	1,464
Royalty Income	35,748	7,946
Interest Received	6,921	894
Other Revenue	26,787	9,356
TOTAL REVENUE	459,911	305,016
EXPENDITURE		
Auditor/Reviewer Remuneration	4,150	2,466
Accounting/Administration	42,963	41,594
Consultant Fees	85,067	36,333
Insurance	3,221	3,221
Journal, Newsletter & Website	33,408	31,650
Other Expenses	29,207	27,847
PD Events & Workshops	10,774	6,045
Scholarships/Grants	188,057	155,824
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	396,847	304,980
NET SUPRLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	63,064	36
Other Comprehensive Income	*	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	63,064	36

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# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022	2021
		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2	268,228	222,588
Financial Assets	3	447,932	447,553
Trade & Other Receivables	4	62,284	18,081
Prepaid Expenses		5,346	4,685
TOTAL ASSETS	_	783,790	692,907
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade & Other Payables	5	27,172	40,850
Other Liabilities	6	148,509	107,012
TOTAL LIABILITIES		175,681	147,862
NET ASSETS	=	608,109	545,045
EQUITY		608,109	545,045

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# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Accumulated
	Surplus
	\$
BALANCE AT 1 JANUARY 2021	545,009
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	36
Other Comprehensive Income	( <del>*</del> )
BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2021	545,045
BALANCE AT 1 JANUARY 2022	545,045
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	63,064
Other Comprehensive Income	
BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2022	608,109
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# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from Members and Customers		138,558	140,863
Receipts from Grants		311,726	*
Interest Received		6,921	894
Payments to Suppliers & Employees		(411,186)	(329,734)
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	7	46,019	(187,977)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		46,019	(187,977)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		670,141	858,118
CASH AT END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	7 =	716,160	670,141

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# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Australian Health Promotion Association Limited for the year ended 31 December 2022 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors on 25 May 2023.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### a) Basis of Preparation

The Directors have prepared the financial report on the basis that Australian Health Promotion Association Limited (Company) is not a reporting entity as there are unlikely to exist users who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, this Special Purpose Financial Report has been prepared for the purposes of complying with the reporting requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements specified by the Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the disclosure requirements of:

AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements

AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows

AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors

AASB 1048 Interpretations and Application of Standards

AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures

These Financial Statements do not conform with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). The Company is a not for profit, for the purposes of preparing these financial statements.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

#### b) Significant Accounting Judgements & Estimates

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. There are no estimates or judgements which have risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

#### c) Income Tax

The Company is exempt from income tax pursuant to the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*. Accordingly, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 112 has not been applied and no provision for income tax has been included in the financial statements.

#### d) Revenue Recognition

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

Revenue from members is recognised upon the delivery of the membership to the members which is over a twelve month period.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when the Company becomes entitled to receive the donation or the bequest.

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# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont.) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont.)

#### d) Revenue Recognition (cont.)

Revenue from grants are recognised where any associated performance obligation to provide services is satisfied, and not immediately upon receipt. Government grants are recognised as follows:

- a grant that does not impose specific future performance obligations on the Company is recognised as revenue the earlier of when the grant proceeds are received or receivable;
- a grant that imposes specific future performance obligations on the Company is recognised as revenue only when the performance obligations are met; and
- a grant received before the revenue recognition criteria are satisfied, is recognised as a liability.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

The Company receives contributions of assets from the government and other parties for zero or a nominal value. These assets are recognised at fair value on the date of acquisition in the statement of financial position, with a corresponding amount of income recognised in the profit or loss.

#### e) Goods & Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

#### f) Cash & Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowing in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

#### g) Trade & Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Company during the reporting period which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

		2022	2021
		\$	\$
2.	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	Cash on hand	110	110
	Cash at Bank	268,118	222,478
		268,228	222,588

#### 3. FINANCIAL ASSETS

Bank term deposits with a original maturity term of more than 3 months but less than 12 months are shown as current financial assets.

Bank Term Deposit	447,932	447,553

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# AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont.) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		2022	2021
		\$	\$
4.	TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES		
	Trade Receivables	1,764	1,623
	Other Receivables	51,497	7,946
	GST Receivable	4,045	8,492
	Accrued Income	4,978	20
		62,284	18,081
5.	TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES		
	Trade Payables	( <del>*</del>	30,517
	Other Payables	27,172	10,333
		27,172	40,850
6.	OTHER LIABILITIES		
	Grant Income Received in Advance	89,401	24,219
	Membership Fees Received in Advance	59,108	82,793
		148,509	107,012
7.	CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
	Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents for the purposes	of cash flow statement	
	Cash at Bank	268,228	222,588
	Bank Term Deposits	447,932	447,553
		716,160	670,141
	Reconciliation of net surplus/(deficit) from ordinary activitie	es to net cash flows from ope	erating activities
	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	63,064	36
	(Increase)/Decrease in Trade & Other Receivables	(44,203)	(4,165)
	(Increase)/Decrease in Prepayments	(661)	(4,685)
	Increase/(Decrease) in Trade & Other Payables	(13,678)	(20,069)
	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities	41,497	(159,094)
	Net Cash Flows From Operating Activities	46,019	(187,977)

#### 8. MEMBER'S GUARANTEE

The Company is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* as a company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum \$1 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. The Company has 10 members (2021: 11 members).

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## AUSTRALIAN HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION LIMITED DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

#### In the Directors' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes thereto comply with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the Accounting Standards as described in note 1 to the financial statements, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- 2) the attached financial statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- 3) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 60.15 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013* .

Gemma Crawford	grayfird
Name	Director
David Duncan	David CD
Name	Director
16/06/23	
Date	

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#### Independent Auditor's Review Report

To the members of Australian Health Promotion Association Ltd

#### Report on the financial report

I have reviewed the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of Australian Health Promotion Association Ltd, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

#### Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act) and the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Assurance practitioner's responsibility

My responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on my review. I conducted my review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2415 Review of a Financial Report — Company Limited by Guarantee, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the financial report does not satisfy the requirements of Division60 of the ACNC Act including; giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and complying with the Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 (ACNC Regulation). ASRE 2415 requires that I comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the review of the financial report.

A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable me to obtain assurance that I would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion.

#### Conclusion

Based on my review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the financial report of Australian Health Promotion Association Ltd does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.

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#### **Independent Auditor's Review Report**

To the members of Australian Health Promotion Association Ltd (continued)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

Without modifying my conclusion, I draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Directors' financial reporting responsibilities under section 60-50(3) of the ACNC Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

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6 JUNE 2023