



2024 National Mental Health Webinar Series

Improving mental health for older people
in residential aged care services

Episode

5

Mental Health Crises – suicide and other emergencies

Wednesday, 13 November 2024 at 1pm

About the webinar topic

Episode 5, the final in the 2024 National Mental Health Webinar Series, will explore the clinical and care challenges in managing persons with a mental health crisis in residential aged care.

The common challenges for aged and health care professionals are early identification to prevent a crisis, stabilising the situation when it occurs, accessing mental health support quickly and knowing how to manage a resident and staff after a mental health crisis.

As the subject matter may be distressing, please ensure you have a personal mental health safety plan, which may include how to contact your organisation's employee support line. Lifeline is available on 13 11 14 or access at: <https://www.lifeline.org.au>

Who should register?

This webinar is designed for aged care staff, nurses, facility managers, allied health staff and medical practitioners.

The program

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| 1:00pm | Welcome |
| 1:05pm | Case Presentation
<i>Professor Joseph Ibrahim</i> |
| 1:15pm | Keynote Presentation
Mental Health Crises – suicide and other emergencies
<i>Professor Brian Draper AM
Conjoint Professor, School of Psychiatry, University of New South Wales</i> |
| 1:35pm | Facilitated panel discussion
<i>Professor Brian Draper AM,
Dr Chelsea Baird, Dr Terry Chong,
Victoria Dolting, Dr Briony Jain</i> |
| 1:55pm | Close |

Register in advance for this free webinar:
<https://bit.ly/4f5h3ur>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

What is the webinar format?

The format is short and sharp, lasting 60 minutes; during that time, a case study is presented, then a keynote speaker, followed by an interactive panel discussion.

Who is the keynote speaker?

Professor Brian Draper AM

Professor Draper is the Conjoint Professor, School of Psychiatry at the University of New South Wales. He is also the Senior Old Age Psychiatrist in the South East Sydney Local Health Network. Professor Draper has worked in the Academic Department for Old Age Psychiatry at Prince of Wales and Prince Henry Hospitals, Sydney, since 1992. He is Chair of the Australian Government's Psychogeriatric Care Expert Reference Group and immediate Past Chair of the Faculty of Psychiatry of Old Age, RANZCP.

Who are the panel members?

Professor Brian Draper AM

Dr Chelsea Baird

Consultant geriatric medicine specialist

Dr Terry Chong

Senior Research Fellow, Psychiatry of Old Age at St Vincent's Hospital

Victoria Dolting

Registered Nurse, Dementia Consultant, Dementia Support Australia

Dr Briony Jain

Public Health Researcher including criminology, epidemiology and gerontology

Who is the convenor and facilitator?

Professor Joseph Ibrahim

Professor at Australian Centre for Evidence Based Aged Care, La Trobe University.

Joseph is a practising senior consultant specialist in geriatric medicine with over 30 years of experience and the current Residential Aged Care Communiqué editor.

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Recordings of Episode 1: Accessing Mental Health Services; Episode 2: Wellness and Social Inclusion; Episode 3: Depression Recognition and Management; and Episode 4: Mental health presentations in persons with dementia are available at <https://www.thecommuniques.com/mentalhealth>

Episode 5 will also be available on this platform after the event.

Enquiries about the National Mental Health Webinar Series can be directed to: J.Ibrahim@latrobe.edu.au

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