HEALTH WORKFORCE - IS IT SUSTAINABLE?
How might AHWI help

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In this presentation, you will learn about the background to AHWI and some of its solutions. Lucio will reflect also upon his research program at AHWI which uses exploratory and evaluative research designs and involves Australian and international researchers and policymakers at the nexus of primary care systems and workforce policy relevant research. Louise will briefly speak about innovations in health care and health information exchange and the implications of these developments for meeting the needs of multicultural Australia. Louise will explore how a population health approach is a workforce solution that is dependent on understanding the diverse needs of health service users.

Prof Peter Brooks became Director, AHWI at the University of Melbourne in 2008 to lead AHWI in developing an evidence base for health workforce policy and involves researchers from the University, the University of Queensland, University of Adelaide and University of Auckland. He has held posts as Executive Dean of Health Sciences at the University of Queensland, Professor of Medicine at St Vincent’s Hospital Sydney (UNSW) and Professor of Rheumatology University of Sydney (Royal North Shore Hospital. He has published widely on musculoskeletal medicine, health workforce and epidemiology and burden of musculoskeletal diseases.

Dr Lucio Naccarella, Senior Research Fellow at AHWI. He is a leading primary health care services researcher and evaluator, with interests in systems change, multidisciplinary primary health care team work, primary care organizations and primary medical care workforce reforms, from a policy, research and practice perspective. He has an NHMRC Australian based PHC Postdoctoral Training Fellowship for 4 years to undertake research to inform workforce planning within the Australian primary health care setting.

Dr Louise Greenstock is an early career health workforce researcher with a multidisciplinary background. Louise has worked on evaluations of a number of health system innovations, including the health workforce service review process for Health Workforce New Zealand, and the evaluation of the population health short course run by the North and West Metropolitan region Dept. of Health and has conducted research exploring the role of telecommunications in health and health information exchange. She is a qualitative researcher and evaluator with skills and expertise in semi-structured interviewing and thematic analysis of data.

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