

13th Annual Workshop of The University of Melbourne Health Economics Group

Tuesday, 31 May 2022

Venue: Melbourne Institute Seminar Room 6.05, FBE Building, 111 Barry Street.

Aim: The aim of this workshop is to share our academic work and create a space to foster research across faculties.

Organisers: Dr Li Huang, Dr Justin McKinley, Dr Susan J. Méndez, Dr Yan Meng

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10.00–10.15	Acknowledgement to Country and Welcome Chair: Justin McKinley
10.15–10.45	Kim Dalziel, Cate Bailey, Tessa Peasgood, <i>SPGH, Health Economics Unit</i> Quality OF Life in Kids: Key evidence to strengthen decisions in Australia (QUOKKA). Reflections from two reviews
10.45–11.45	PhD and ECR – Flash talks Martina Repetto, The indirect impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the healthcare system. Evidence from the Lombardy region in Italy Patrick Abraham, Using economic evidence to optimise novel interventions for malaria treatment and control policies Sian Slade, Identifying the mechanisms and incentives that enable patients to navigate the health system and how these are measured - international comparison of England & Australia Huan Wang, The demand for preventive health information and its behavioural determinants Marie-Anne Boujaoude, Understanding the level of health inequality aversion among the Australian public by socioeconomic status, Indigenous status, and geographic location: Findings from a general population survey Shuai Shao, Economic Vulnerabilities and Resilience of Households in Two Northern Indian States Kushneel Prakash, Does supplementary private health insurance improve health and wellbeing? Evidence from two policy reforms and a demand shock Tori Oliver, Analysis of the financing landscape for surgical care in Sub-Saharan Africa
12.00–13.00	Lunch
	Chair: Yan Meng
13.00–13.30	Anthony Scott, <i>FBE, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research</i> The impact of value-based payment reform on medical expenditures, fees and volume of services. Early evidence from a large-scale fee schedule reform in Australia
13.30–14.00	Justin McKinley, <i>SPGH, Nossal Institute for Global Health</i> Defining One Health Economics, what it is and where it is going
14.00–14.30	Victoria Baranov, <i>FBE, Department of Economics</i> Maternal depression, biased beliefs, and parental investment
14.30–15.00	Afternoon Tea
15.00–16.00	Panel discussion: Conducting research across disciplines Panel: Prof Liz Sonenberg, <i>Pro Vice-Chancellor, Systems Innovation</i> Prof Jo Barraket, <i>Director of the Melbourne Social Equity Institute and member of the Dilun Duwa Centre for Indigenous Business Leadership</i> Prof Peter Annear, <i>Former Head of the Health Systems Governance and Financing Unit at the Nossal Institute for Global Health</i> Moderator: Prof Kim Dalziel, <i>Head of the Health Economics Unit, Centre for Health Policy at the Melbourne School of Population and Global Health</i>

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Panel Speaker Bios



Liz Sonenberg is a Professor of Information Systems at the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology.

Liz holds the Chancellery role of Pro Vice Chancellor (Systems Innovation). Her responsibilities include oversight of the maturing of the array of business systems that support the University research enterprise, and guiding the University's strategic digital and data agenda, governance and policies.

The integrating theme of her research is the conceptualization and construction of more adaptive, distributed, and intelligent information systems, with a focus on the human-machine interface and consequent implications for human decision-making.



Jo Barraket is Professor and Director of the Melbourne Social Equity Institute. She is also a member of the Dilun Duwa Centre for Indigenous Business Leadership.

A political sociologist, Jo is Australia's premier researcher of social enterprise and a leading researcher of social innovation. Her work focuses on how social equity is improved through new ways of organising, resourcing and scaling social change, and the relationships between state and civil society organisations in policy processes.

She is a regular advisor to governments, philanthropy and industry and has been national expert advisor to the OECD on two initiatives related to improving inclusive employment through the social economy. Jo is passionate about community-engaged and transdisciplinary research in support of a fairer world.



Peter Annear is the former head of the Health Systems Governance and Financing Unit at the Nossal Institute for Global Health.

Peter is a health economist and health financing specialists in international development. He is board member of the Asia Network for Health Systems Strengthening and a member of the Senior Technical Advisory Committee and the Board of the Asia Pacific Observatory for Health Systems and Policies.

He has more than 25 years of experience working in the health sector in Cambodia, Laos and a number of Asian countries as a consultant and advisor for Ministries of Health, the World Health Organization, the World Bank, AusAID and other international agencies.



Kim Dalziel (moderator) is Professor and Head of the Health Economics Unit, Centre for Health Policy at the School for Population and Global Health. She is a Dame Kate Campbell Fellow in Research Excellence (2020-24) and holds an Investigator Award with the NHMRC (2021-25).

Kim leads a program of research in child health and has specialist expertise in economic evaluation and modelling, child health policy, vulnerability/equity and use of health services and economic evaluation alongside clinical trials. She has active collaborations with the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, The Royal Children's Hospital, The Women's Hospital and the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre.