



# The Centre for Primary Health Care and Equity (CPHCE) invites you to a Forum Wednesday 29 June 2016: The Role of the Health System in Reducing Health Inequity

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## Venue: LG03, Wallace Wurth Building - UNSW Kensington Campus enter through Gate 9 High Street Randwick

There is a growing gap between the life expectancy of the most and least advantaged people in NSW. These unfair and potentially preventable differences place a heavy burden on the people affected, their families and the health system. What can the health system do to reduce these differences?

This cost free forum will bring together International thought leaders, local decision-makers, researchers and service providers to discuss the latest thinking on the role of the health system in reducing health inequity. There will also be a rare Q&A session with Local Health District (LHD) Chief Executives on balancing acute services and population health needs with equity.

### Getting to UNSW

Limited parking is available at UNSW on the top level of the parking station (H25 on the map) for a minimum of \$6.00 for 2 hours and \$3 per hour after that. There is a machine which issues parking vouchers and takes both cash and credit card.

To access this parking station, enter UNSW by Gate 11 Botany Street and turn left into the multi-level parking station. Buses from Burwood, Maroubra, Railway Square, the City and Leichhardt stop in High Street, Randwick, near Gate 9 (B24 on the attached map) and it's a 3 minute walk to Wallace Wurth Building (C27 on the map). Or visit <http://www.facilities.unsw.edu.au/getting-uni> for more information.

### Introduction to the Speakers

**SARAH SIMPSON** has worked in the World Health Organisation (WHO) and across Europe addressing health equality through health systems, including developing the ground breaking report "*Putting our own House in Order: examples of health-system action on socially determined health inequalities*".

**DON NUTBEAM** was Head of Public Health in the UK Department of Health under Tony Blair. Between 2000 and 2003 he was responsible for leading policy development within the Department and across government on a range of complex and large-scale public health challenges including health equity policy.

**TERESA ANDERSON**, Chief Executive of the Sydney Local Health District, has a strong commitment to developing accessible and high quality services for the most marginalised people in her community with a special interest in Early Childhood. She was responsible for the establishment of the Health Equity Research and Development Unit in SLHD.

**GERRY MARR** Chief Executive of the South East Sydney Local Health District has previously worked in a senior position in the Scottish health system, which has taken equity seriously. His commitment to equity is reflected in recent launch of SESLHD's Equity Policy.

**PETER SAINSBURY** Director of Population Health in South West Sydney Local Health District. An advocate for a social view of health for decades, he will reflect on what he has learned about the role of the health system in reducing health inequity.

**JULIE DIXON**, Director of Population Health and Planning in SESLHD will outline the challenges in implementing an equity strategy in a local health district.

**EVELYNE DE LEEUW**, Director of CHETRE has worked with local, national and international government on five continents in framing, defining and implementing strategies for Healthy Cities. She will outline the important role of the health system in creating healthy environments.

FORUM PROGRAM		
9.00	<p>Introductions and opening remarks</p> <p>Current thinking on the role of the health system in reducing health inequity - A/ Professor Marilyn Wise</p> <p>The UK Experience - Professor Don Nutbeam</p>	<p>Prof Mark Harris, CPHCE, UNSW</p> <p>A/Prof Marilyn Wise</p> <p>Prof Don Nutbeam</p>
10.00	<p>Reflection- What is the Role of the Health System in reducing health inequity? - Prof Peter Sainsbury</p> <p>Discussion</p>	Prof Peter Sainsbury
10.30	Morning tea	
11.00	<p>Q&amp;A - Balancing health system challenges and community need</p> <p>Panel: Dr Teresa Anderson Mr Gerry Marr Prof Don Nutbeam</p>	<p>Moderator: Prof Mark Harris</p> <p>Dr Teresa Anderson</p> <p>Mr Gerry Marr</p>
12.00	<p>SLHD Health Equity Research and Development Unit (HERDU)</p> <p>Access to health: Hospital in the Home - Ms Jude Page</p> <p>Focus on communities: Can Get Health in Canterbury - Dr Karen McPhail-Bell</p>	A/Prof Elizabeth Harris - Director HERDU
12.30	International experiences in integrating equity in health systems	Sarah Simpson
1.00	lunch	
1.45	South East Sydney LHD Equity Strategy - Dr Julie Dixon	Julie Dixon
2.15	Summary and close	Debbie Killian
2.30	Workshop Sessions	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Health Literacy: <u>Profs Don Nutbeam &amp; Mark Harris</u></li> <li>2. Healthy Cities (creating environments for health): <u>Prof Evelyn de Leeuw</u></li> <li>3. Equity Focussed Health Impact Assessment: <u>Dr Ben Harris-Roxas</u></li> <li>4. The Social Determinants of Aboriginal Health::report and recommendations. <u>George Long and A/Prof Marilyn Wise</u></li> </ol>	<p>These workshops will be based on conversations with experts in the topic to discuss how these issues can be key strategies by health systems to reduce health inequity.</p>
3.30	Afternoon tea	
3.45	Hard chat	Sarah Simpson
4.30	Close	