

Name of session:	<i>Priority Populations and Vulnerability in COVID-19</i>
Organiser/s of session:	
Focus of session: <i>Note: The section will be put on the website and used in marketing materials</i>	<p>This session will focus on the shared and unique challenges in COVID-19 era for several different population groups and communities including gay and bisexual men; PWUD; people who are homeless; CALD populations; people who are incarcerated including young people. This session will examine what factors may make these populations more vulnerable during the COVID-19 pandemic and address issues related to supporting harm minimisation during COVID-19 (e.g. HIV testing, PrEP and sexual networking for gay and bisexual men); adaptations to services for PWUD and homeless populations; appropriate engagement with and support of CALD populations; decarceration of prisoners including juveniles. . This session will include the impact of cross-cutting issues – financial stress, accommodation and well-being.</p>
Learning Objectives for session (expected outcomes): <i>Note: The section will be put on the website and used in marketing materials</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify specific population groups particularly impacted during COVID-19 pandemic • Suggest future harm minimisation strategies for each group identified • Identify resources, services and organisations to support harm minimisation in the identified population groups throughout the ongoing pandemic
Preferred delivery type (live or pre-recorded). Please note the committee will ultimately decide where the session is location in the program and how it is best to be delivered.	<p>This is a live session comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief presentation from each of 4 speakers representing a specific population group outlining the key issues for each population – 15 minutes • 20 minutes Panel discussion with opportunity for questions from the floor via chat function.
Session Moderator/chair (if required)	Dr Edwina Wright
Topic 1:	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations

<p>Speaker 1:</p> <p>Speaker Email:</p> <p>Time Allocation:</p> <p>Proposed content:</p>	<p>Dr Christopher Lemoh</p> <p>15 minutes</p> <p>The Speaker will address the following background questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In November 2019, were CALD populations more vulnerable than others to COVID-19 infection and poorer outcomes? Please outline CALD populations' patterns of engagement with services offering HIV/BBV/STI treatment and prevention pre-COVID-19 • For CALD populations what were the key impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Australia? Consider the good as well as the bad • What adaptations were needed/implemented to service provision for this group of communities?
<p>Topic 2:</p> <p>Speaker 2:</p> <p>Speaker Email:</p> <p>Time Allocation:</p> <p>Proposed content:</p>	<p>Prisoners and those in juvenile justice detention</p> <p>Mark Stoove</p> <p>15 mins</p> <p>The Speaker will address the following background questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In November 2019, were prison and juvenile justice populations vulnerable in the wake of COVID-19? • For incarcerated populations what were the key impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Australia? Consider the good as well as the bad. • What adaptations were/are needed/implemented to service provision for this group of communities?
<p>Topic 3:</p> <p>Speaker 3:</p> <p>Speaker Email:</p>	<p>Gay and Bisexual Men</p> <p>Garrett Prestage</p> <p>15 minutes</p>

<p>Time Allocation: Proposed content:</p>	<p>The Speaker will address the following background questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In November 2019, were gay and bisexual men populations vulnerable in the wake of COVID-19? • For gay and bisexual men populations, what were the key impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Australia? Consider the good as well as the bad. • What adaptations were/are needed/implemented to service provision for this group of communities?
<p>Topic 4: Speaker 4:</p> <p>Speaker Email: Time Allocation: Proposed content:</p>	<p>People who use drugs and the homeless Vincent Cornelisse</p> <p>15 minutes</p> <p>The Speaker will address the following background questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In November 2019, were homeless people and people who use drugs vulnerable in the wake of COVID-19? • For PWUD and homeless populations, what were the key impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Australia? Consider the good as well as the bad. • What adaptations were/are needed/implemented to service provision for this group of communities?
<p>Key questions for discussion: If discussion period allocated.</p> <p>These may be developed in conjunction with the invited speakers. Seek conference committee input as required.</p>	<p>Following each of the speakers there will be a 30 minutes discussion on what comes next for these groups and speakers will be joined by community members from the populations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do we take Australia forward assuming there is no vaccine or a significant time lag to a vaccine to account for the inevitable continued outbreaks? • Suggest future harm minimisation strategies for each group identified

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify resources, services and organisations to support harm minimisation in the identified population groups throughout the ongoing pandemic• The speakers will be joined for the discussion by community members from each of the identified groups to include the lived experience during COVID-19 and what they would like to see for the future: <p>Community members CALD Prisoners and Juvenile Justice The Homeless and PWUD</p>
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