

## Media release

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## Registrations open for long-awaited return of MM2022 in Brisbane this December

<u>Registrations have opened</u> for Australia's largest scientific pharmacy conference and keynote speakers have been announced with four months to go until <u>Medicines Management 2022</u>, the 46th SHPA National Conference (MM2022).

The extended program over three days at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1-3 December, will boast a fourth plenary and additional keynote speaker, 50% more opportunities for oral and poster presentations and extra celebrations, amid scientific sessions focused on reconnecting with patients, peers and networks.

## → Register for MM2022 →

SHPA Chief Executive Kristin Michaels says the <u>extended program</u> has been curated to maximise reconnection, rejuvenation and inspiration.

'It's been a very long and challenging three years, and hospital pharmacists and technicians are understandably incredibly energised by the prospect of gathering beyond the current winter wave of COVID-19.

'There's never been such longing to rediscover professional partnerships and friendships, reinvigorate passion for practice and recharge the batteries in the warmth of Brisbane, alongside unparalleled networking and our famous Gala Dinner celebration.

'We're thrilled to have a dynamic group of keynote speakers who will bring inspiration, insight, intelligence, emotion and laughs to the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre stage.

'We encourage all Australian pharmacists and technicians, and anyone who wants to shape the future of the profession, to register early as anticipation is sky-high.'

The MM2022 keynote speakers are:

- **Tim Jarvis AM**, Environmental Scientist, Author and Adventurer, who inspires through his lessons in leadership from a lifetime of expeditions;
- Associate Professor Victoria Atkinson, National Chief Medical Officer, Healthscope Ltd, brings 25 years' experience across both the private, not-for-profit, aged care and public sectors of healthcare to the Brisbane stage, offering macroscopic and microscopic views of health care;
- Kirk Docker, Vox Pop King, Facilitator and Co-creator of 'You Can't Ask That', is a Walkley
  nominated video journalist, producer and show creator who encourages honest, forthright discussion,
  particularly around people on the fringes of society; and
- Georgie Carroll, Comedian, who will leave delegates in stitches... (the good kind!)

The deadline for submitting MM2022 abstracts – under three categories: Pharmacy Practice, Case Reports, and Research – is 11.59pm AEST Thursday 1 September 2022. Abstract submission and review information, as well as registration overview and the preliminary program, is available on the MM2022 website.

Ms Michaels says supporting resources have been curated to help delegates maximise their conference contributions.

'The MM2022 Abstract Webinar Series, facilitated by SHPA's Research Leadership Committee, will ensure you are equipped to make your submission stand out from the crowd, deliver a high-impact live presentation and maximise the momentum of your work after the conference is over.'

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**About SHPA** 

The Society of Hospital Pharmacists of Australia (SHPA) is the national, professional organisation for the 6,300+ Hospital Pharmacists, and their Hospital Pharmacist Intern and Hospital Pharmacy Technician colleagues working across Australia's health system, advocating for their pivotal role improving the safety and quality of medicines use. Embedded in multidisciplinary medical teams and equipped with exceptional medicines management expertise, SHPA members are progressive advocates for clinical excellence, committed to evidence-based practice and passionate about patient care.

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