



THE SENATE

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

Accessibility and quality of mental health services in rural and remote Australia

**PUBLIC HEARING
Thursday 19 July 2018**

**Committee Room 2S1
Parliament House, Canberra**

Time	Witness
8.30 am	<p>Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (via teleconference) (Submission 24) Dr Caroline Johnson, Clinical Lead, Mental Health</p> <p>Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (Submission 95) Dr Sivasankaran Balaratnasingam, Chair, RANZCP Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Mental Health Committee Dr Denise Riordan, Member, RANZCP Faculty of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Dr Mathew Coleman, Committee Member, RANZCP Section of Rural Psychiatry</p> <p>Rural Doctors Association of Australia (Submission 79) Mrs Peta Rutherford, Chief Executive Officer Ms Anita Rodrigues Macias, Senior Policy and Research Officer</p>
9.30 am	<p>Australian College of Mental Health Nurses (Submission 82) Adj. Assoc. Prof Kim Ryan, Chief Executive Officer Denis Casey, Credentialed Mental health Nurse, Uralba Clinic (via videoconference)</p> <p>Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (via teleconference) (Submission 46) Ms Elizabeth Foley, Federal Professional Officer</p>
10.15 am	Morning tea
10.30 am	<p>National Mental Health Consumer and Carer Forum (Submission 84) Elida Meadows, Tasmanian Carer Representative and Deputy Carer Co-Chair Lyn English, Consumer Deputy Co-Chair</p> <p>Community Mental Health Australia (Submission 16) Ms Amanda Bresnan, Chief Executive Officer</p>

11.30 am	<p>Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives (<i>Submission 74</i>) Ms Colleen Gibbs, Senior Policy Officer Ms Jennie Gordon, Membership Engagement Officer</p> <p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation (<i>Submission 39</i>) Mr Richard Weston, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>Marninwarntikura Womens Resource Centre (via teleconference) Professor Elizabeth Elliott AM, Research Partner (University of Sydney) Ms Emily Carter, Chief Executive Officer</p>
12.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm	<p>beyondblue (<i>Submission 85</i>) Ms Georgina Harman, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>Suicide Prevention Australia (<i>Submission 86</i>) John Harper, Member, Lived Experience Mr Stan Piperoglou, Chair, Policy Committee</p> <p>Butterfly Foundation Ms Christine Morgan, Chief Executive Officer Ms Frances Cook, National Manager, Knowledge, Research and Policy Mrs Joanne Cook, Lived Experience Advocate and Board Member</p> <p>Centre for Rural and Remote Mental Health, University of Newcastle (<i>Submission 87</i>) Professor David Perkins, Director Dr Hazel Dalton, Research Leader and Senior Research Fellow</p>
2.30 pm	<p>National Rural Health Alliance (<i>Submission 37</i>) Mr Mark Diamond, Chief Executive Officer Mr Andrew Phillips, Policy Advisor Mrs Lynne Strathie, Council Member (via videoconference)</p> <p>National Farmers' Federation (<i>Submission 83</i>) Mr Mark Harvey-Sutton, General Manager, Rural Affairs Ms Corinne Dooley, Policy Advisor, Rural Affairs</p> <p>Australian Rural Health Education Network (<i>Submission 76</i>) Dr Lesley Fitzpatrick, National Director Ms Kate Schlicht, Chair of Mental Health Academics Network Miss Tanja Hirvonen, Mental Health Academic, Clinical Psychologist</p>
3.30 pm	Afternoon tea

3.45 pm	<p>Mission Australia (<i>Submission 80</i>) Mr Luke Butcher, Area Manager, Western NSW and Special Projects</p> <p>ReachOut Australia (<i>Submission 72</i>) Mr Ashley de Silva, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Dr Kerrie Buhagiar, Director of Service Delivery Dr Kathryn Cairns, Senior Evaluation Manager</p> <p>Marathon Health Mr Stephen Jackson, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>Headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation Mr Jason Trethowan, Chief Executive Officer</p>
4.45 pm	<p>Australian Mental Health Commissions (<i>Submission 52</i>) Ms Maureen Lewis, Interim Chief Executive Officer, National Mental Health Commission Mrs Lucy Brogden, Chair, National Mental Health Commission</p> <p>Professor Paul Worley, National Rural Health Commissioner (via teleconference)</p>
5.30 pm	<p><i>Adjournment</i></p>