

Joining the Dots

2020 Palliative Care Summit



PalliativeCare
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

SUMMARY SNAPSHOT

Key themes from interactive sessions

- Recognition of palliative care as a human right for all who need it.
- Increased and sustained funding for palliative care services to ensure access regardless of geography, gender, cultural identity, stage in life-limiting illness, age and place of residence.
- Provision of clear referral pathway options from point of diagnosis and involving the unwell person, their carer, family and friends.
- Development of a “consumer passport of care” approach to emphasise the importance of consumer-directed planning and consistency of information shared.
- Investment in engagement and education strategies to inform and engage the health and aged care sectors and community on the value of advance care planning processes and early referral to palliative care services and community supports.
- Investment in recruitment and retention strategies to increase the number of specialist palliative care physicians, nursing and allied health professionals.

Attendees

- 230 people participated
- 78% in the room
- 22% online
- 15% regional
- 84% metropolitan
- 1% interstate

Workplace

- 34% Residential aged care
- 20% Palliative care
- 10% Healthcare
- 8% Policy and government
- 7% Community and home care
- 6% Carers and consumers
- 4% Academic/researcher
- 4% Volunteers and students
- 7% Other

Feedback

50% of attendees completed the feedback survey, with 40% rating the overall event as outstanding and 53% as very good.

“very eye-opening and informative” “speakers were excellent”

“well done to the PCWA team for organising an excellent summit”

“outstanding program, professionally delivered, very worthwhile”

“great day, great event!” “loved hearing about local initiatives”

“amazing opportunity for us to be together in the same place”

