



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: Room LG03 in the Wallace Wurth Building, Building C27 - 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 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 valuable Q&A session with Local Health District (LHD) Chief Executives on 'Balancing acute services and population health needs with Equity'.

Who should attend?

All health staff, academics and civil society groups with an interest in the latest thinking on the role the health system can play in reducing health inequity and those working on Equity Focussed Health Impact Assessments (HIA) and Healthy Cities or in Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs).

To register to attend this free Health Equity Forum on Wednesday 29 June 2016, please go the following link and complete the booking details - <http://www.surveys.unsw.edu.au/f/162106/6978/>

Registrations close at 5.00 pm on Thursday 23 June 2016 - numbers are limited.

### 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** is a former 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** is Chief Executive of the Sydney Local Health District. She 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** is Chief Executive of the South East Sydney Local Health District and 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** is 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** is Director of Population Health and Planning in SESLHD and will outline the challenges in implementing an equity strategy in a local health district.

**EVELYNE DE LEEUW** is Director of CHETRE and has worked with local, national and international governments 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/Prof Marilyn Wise</p> <p>The UK Experience - Professor Don Nutbeam</p>	<p>Professor Mark Harris Executive Director, CPHCE, UNSW</p>
10.00	<p>Reflection- What is the Role of the Health System in reducing health inequity? - Professor Peter Sainsbury</p> <p>Discussion</p>	
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</p>	<p>Moderator: Professor Mark Harris</p>
12.10	<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>	<p>A/Professor Elizabeth Harris - Director HERDU</p>
12.40	South East Sydney LHD Equity Strategy - Dr Julie Dixon	
1.10	<p>International experiences in integrating equity in health systems - Sarah Simpson</p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>	
1.30	Summary and close	<p>Debbie Killian - General Manager, Population Health, SLHD</p>
1.45	Lunch	
2.30	Workshop Sessions	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Health Literacy: <u>Profs Don Nutbeam and 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, Deputy Director of CHETRE</u></li> <li>4. Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) Health Services: what can we learn from them? <u>TBC</u></li> </ol>	<p>These 60 minute 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 - 4.15	Plenary Discussion/Close	<p>Moderator - TBC</p>