



The 17th Annual Hospital in the Home
Annual Scientific Meeting 2025

Novotel Sunshine Coast Convention Centre | 12 - 14 November 2025

WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2025

13.00 - 17.30	REGISTRATION OPEN Arrivals Deck, Novotel Sunshine Coast Convention Centre
13.00 - 17.00	EXHIBITOR BUMP IN Wandiny Room, Novotel Sunshine Coast Convention Centre
17.00 - 18.30	Welcome Reception - sponsored by Lumia Care Lilys on the Lagoon, Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort

THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2025

07.00 - 17.00	SPEAKER PREP OPEN - DAY 1 Wandiny Room - Green Room
08.00 - 18.00	REGISTRATION OPEN - DAY 1 Arrivals Deck, Novotel Sunshine Coast Convention Centre
08.00 - 15.30	Exhibition Open & Arrival Tea and Coffee Wandiny Room
09.00 - 10.25	CONFERENCE OPENING AND PLENARY SESSION ONE - Surfs Up Minyama 1 <i>Chair: Dr James Pollard</i>
09.00 - 09.10	Welcome to Country with Yidaki Uncle Mack Muckan, Undumbi Tribe, Kabi Kabi Nation
09.10 - 09.20	Government Welcome Michael Zanco, Executive Director, Healthcare Improvement Unit, Clinical Excellence Queensland, Queensland Health
09.20 - 09.25	Welcome and Conference Opening Dr James Pollard, President HITH Society
09.25 - 09.45	Consumer interview Facilitator: Graham Reeks, Principal Engagement Officer, Sunshine Coast Hospital & Health Service, QLD
09.45 - 10.25	When Research Meets Reality: Experience from Scaling Hospital-at-Home in Singapore Dr Stephanie Ko, Consultant, Division of Advanced Internal Medicine, Department of Medicine, National University Hospital, Singapore
10.25 - 10.55	MORNING TEA, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING Wandiny Room

10.55-12.45	PLENARY SESSION TWO - Charting the Course Minyama 1 <i>Chair: Lauren Hines</i>
10.55 - 11.25	Systems thinking and safety: why 'human errors' are consequences not causes Professor Paul Salmon, Professor of Human Factors, Centre for Human Factors and Sociotechnical Systems, University of Sunshine Coast, QLD
11.25 - 11.50	Building Staff Safety: Evolution of Trackers and other home visiting safety measures Michelle Horsnell, Program Director, Cabrini At Home, Cabrini Health, VIC and Louisa Andrews, Clinical Nurse Consultant, Canberra Hospital - HITH, ACT
11.50 - 12.10	Building Culture: Building great culture in a remote workforce Fiona White, Director, Own Body Mobile Health Services, VIC
12.10 - 12.30	Strengthening teams beyond boundaries: the power of connection Dr Jasmine Pang, Senior Clinical Psychologist, Metro North Health, QLD
12.30 - 12.45	Panel Discussion
12.45 - 13.30	NETWORKING LUNCH, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING Wandiny Room

13.30 - 15.00	Concurrent Session: Presentation of Papers One - Paediatric HITH - Caring for the Grommets Minyama 2 Chair: A/Prof Penelope Bryant		Concurrent Session: Coaching Workshop - Riding the Leadership Wave Minyama 1 Chair: Lauren Hines	
13.30 - 13.45	Hospital-in-the-Home Diagnostics for Paediatric OSA: Scalable Innovation in ENT Outreach and Risk Stratification (paper #22) Sue Hammoud, Sleep Scientist, Heali-ox, VIC	OR01	Building Culture: From Clinician to Coach: Five Shifts That Transform Leadership Practice Dr Andrew Rixon FCHSM, Senior Lecturer in Leadership, Department of Business Strategy and Innovation, Griffith University, QLD	
13.45 - 14.00	Surfing the healthcare wave: 20 years of evolution and expansion in paediatric hospital in the home care (paper #75) Francesca Machingaifa and Megan Allanadale; Clinical Nurse Coordinator, Royal Children's Hospital, VIC	OR02		
14.00 - 14.15	Real-time measures of paediatric Hospital-in-the-Home (HITH) service for comparative benchmarking (paper #76) Dr Timothy Everson, Fellow, Royal Children's Hospital, VIC	OR03		
14.15 - 14.30	Developing a Paediatric Hospital in the Home Remote Monitoring (HITH RM) service: how technology can enhance HiTH care (paper #39) Dr Simon Moore, General Paediatrician, Perth Children's Hospital, WA	OR04		
14.30 - 14.45	A paediatric HITH program in a mixed regional hospital – A new model of HITH (paper #42) Dr Nelu Jayawardena, Co-Medical Lead Grampian's Health At Home Paediatric Stream, Grampian's Health; and Sarah Baker, On-Road Nurse, GH@Home Paediatrics, Grampians Health; Clinical Nurse Specialist Paediatrics, Children's and adolescent ward at Grampians Health Ballarat; Allergy Nurse Specialist, Paediatrics Ballarat, VIC	OR05		
14.45 - 15.00	Social work models of care offer sustainable and meaningful support to patients and families admitted to paediatric HITH programs (paper #100) Lindy D'Arcy, Senior Social Worker; and Samantha Barrett, Allied Health Clinical Lead; CHQatHome, Queensland Children's Hospital, QLD	OR06		
15.00 - 15.25	PAEDIATRICS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP MEETING Minyama 2			
15.00 - 15.25	ALLIED HEALTH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP MEETING Minyama 2			
15.00 - 15.30	AFTERNOON TEA, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING Wandiny Room			

15.30 - 17.05	PLENARY SESSION THREE - <i>Rising Tides: Designing and Preparing for the future</i> Minyama 1 <i>Chair: DrAnn-Marie Crozier</i>
15.30 - 16.00	Risk Calculator – Predicting Escalation in HITH Dr. Sean P. Spina, PharmD, Regional Clinical Pharmacy Manager and Principal Investigator and Dr Shauna Tierney, Physician Lead, Island Health's Hospital at Home Program, Canada
16.00 - 16.15	Preparing, planning and performance - A story of Resilience Sarah Dillon, Acting Clinical Nurse Consultant, HITH and Suzanne Harvey, Associate Nurse Manager, HITH; Metro North Health, Queensland Health, QLD
16.15 - 16.30	Benchmarking: HITH Study: Survey of Australia wide HITH services Dr Iftah Amith, HITH Society Australasia Board Member; HITH Consultant, VIC
16.30 - 16.35	2027 conference location vote Dr Iftah Amith, HITH Society Australasia Board Member
16.35 - 17.05	"HITH IS EASY" DEBATE Moderator: Dr Ann-Marie Crozier, Medical Director, Sydney Local Health District HITH and E-HITH, NSW Affirmative Dr Henry Huang, Medical Director and Senior Staff Specialist Emergency Physician, Hospital in the Home and Department of Emergency Medicine, Sunshine Coast Health, QLD Sophie Page, HITH Dietitian, Monash Health, VIC Sam Tapp, Clinical Nurse Consultant HITH, Royal Brisbane Women's Hospital, QLD Health, QLD Negative Dr Fiona Baker, Medical Clinical Lead - GEMHITH / GEMRITH Statewide Project, Healthcare Improvement Unit, Clinical Excellence Queensland; Clinical Director Integrated Care, Fraser Coast; Emergency Staff Specialist, QLD Assoc Prof Jeffrey Rowland, Director of Internal Medicine, The Prince Charles Hospital, QLD Dr Ted Chamberlain, Director of Medical Services, Caboolture Kilcoy, Woodford and satellites directorate, Metro North Hospital and Health service, Queensland Health, QLD
17.05 - 17.45	Hospital in the Home Society Australasia Annual General Meeting Minyama 1
19.00 - 23.00	Conference Dinner - Beach Party Theme - sponsored by Silverchain Minyama 3 & 4



FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2025

07.00 - 17.00	REGISTRATION OPEN - DAY 2 Arrivals Deck, Novotel Sunshine Coast Convention Centre
07.00 - 14.00	SPEAKER PREP OPEN - DAY 2 Wandiny Room - Green Room
07.45 - 08.45	Breakfast Session - Sponsored by Oracle Consulting Reimagining HITH with Technology Minyama 2 Moderator: James Pollard, HITH Society President Speakers: Christopher Stott, Eastern Health; Michelle Horsnell, Cabrini Health; and Oracle Consulting
08.30 - 15.30	Exhibition Open & Arrival Tea and Coffee Wandiny Room
09.00 - 10.30	PLENARY SESSION FOUR: <i>Smoothing the Waters</i> Minyama 1 <i>Chair: Dr Karyn Cuthbert</i>
09.00 - 09.30	Hospital at Home in Taiwan: achievements and challenges Dr Sang Ju Yu, Honorary President, Taiwan Society of Home Health Care, Taiwan
09.30 - 09.35	Memorandum of Understanding between the HITH Society of Australasia and Taiwan Society of Home Health Care
09.35 - 09.55	HAPI to be home –outreaching inpatient services to support paediatric respiratory therapy across Western Australia Dr Cloe Benz PhD, Allied Health Coordinator, Perth Children's Hospital, WA
09.55 - 10.10	Implementing Hospital in the Home (HiTH) for People Experiencing a Serious Mental Illness (paper#23 - OR33) Assoc Prof Kylie Burke, Director Research Strategy and Evaluation; and Dr Uday Kolur, Psychiatrist; Metro North Health - Mental Health, QLD
10.10 - 10.30	Improving cultural safety and health outcomes for First Nations people experiencing acute care at home Dr Carmon Guy, HITH Clinical Director, Cairns Hospital, QLD
10.30 - 11.00	MORNING TEA, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING Wandiny Room

11.00 - 12.30	Concurrent Session: Presentation of Papers Two - Innovation at the Crest Minyama 1 <i>Chair: Dr Ifrah Amith</i>		Concurrent Session: Presentation of Papers Three - Safe Shores: Vulnerable Patients Minyama 2 <i>Chair: Sophie Page</i>	
11.00 - 11.15	A Multi-Service Collaborative for Standardising Vascular Access Device Data Collection in Hospital in the Home Settings (paper #35) Dr Vincent Ngian, Staff Specialist Geriatrician, Bankstown Hospital and Dr Katy Lai, Staff Specialist Infectious Diseases, St George Hospital, NSW	OR07	Riding the wave with people who inject drugs on HITH - success with a multidisciplinary model of care (paper #59) Dr Andrew Fuller, Medical Head of HITH, Alfred Hospital, VIC	OR13
11.15 - 11.30	Delivering Genetically Modified Phage Therapy in the Home (paper #79) Voni Leighton, Clinical Director; and Monique Anthony, HITH Clinical Coordinator; Vitalis, NSW	OR08	Perceptions and Experiences: Hospital In The Home for older rural people (paper #118) Natalie Bransgrove, Lecturer of Nursing, Federation University, VIC	OR14
11.30 - 11.45	Mapping the Role of Social Work in Paediatric Hospital in the Home: An Audit of Practice (paper #12) Dr Alys-Marie Manguy, Senior Social Worker and Angela Crooke, Senior Social Worker; The Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne, VIC	OR09	A Multidisciplinary Approach to Identifying and Managing Sarcopenia Using Grip Strength in a HITH Geriatric Evaluation and Management (GEM) Model (paper #44) Linda Giumelli, Senior Dietitian, Hospital @ Home, Tasmanian Health Service, TAS	OR15
11.45 - 12.00	Collaborative medication charting by credentialed pharmacist (paper #21) Samantha Barhoun, Hith Pharmacist, St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC	OR10	Implementing a rapid admitted-at-home model to reduce traditional inpatient admissions for older adults (paper #90) Dr Claire McDonald, Consultant Geriatrician, and Catherine Byrne, Nurse Unit Manager, Home and Ambulatory Services; Austin Health, VIC	OR16
12.00 - 12.15	Building a sustainable nurse practitioner workforce in Hospital in the Home services (paper #34) Naomi Bayliss, Nurse Practitioner and Dr Iestyn Lewis, Head of Department - Hospital@home; Tasmanian Health Service, TAS	OR11	Proactive Allied Health Home Visits and Their Impact on Falls in Acute General Medicine HITH (paper #65) Jack Behne, Allied Health Team Lead, Alfred Health, VIC	OR17
12.15 - 12.30	At home melphalan autologous stem cell transplantation under Hospital in the Home (paper #49) Angela Sullivan, Nurse Unit Manager; and Dr Danielle Panaccio, Acting Head of Unit, Hospital in the Home & Virtual Care; Austin Health, VIC	OR12	Frailty in HITH (paper #54) Dr Madeleine Wilkinson, Staff Specialist, St George Hospital, NSW	OR18
12.30 - 13.15	NETWORKING LUNCH, EXHIBITION AND POSTER VIEWING Wandiny Room			

13.15 - 15.00	Concurrent Session: Presentation of Papers Four - Pro Surfer Strategies Minyama 1 <i>Chair: Dr Sandra Peters</i>		Concurrent Session: Presentation of Papers Five - Finding Your Balance Minyama 2 <i>Chair: Dr Iestyn Lewis</i>	
13.15 - 13.30	Making the Wave: Redefining Complex Heart Failure Care at Home (paper #6) Jade Cruz, Nurse Practitioner, Te Whatu Ora Health, New Zealand	OR19	Deep dive: Post-operative care in Amplar Health Home Hospital (paper #98) Sarah McRae, Chief Executive Officer, Amplar Health Home Hospital, NSW	OR26
13.30 - 13.45	Administration of continuous intravenous furosemide infusion in the home setting for heart failure – protocol learnings from a pilot cohort (paper #66) Samantha Barhoun, Hith Pharmacist and Chris Graven, HITH Physiotherapist; St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne, VIC	OR20	Characteristics and predictors of readmission in an Australian infectious diseases Hospital in the Home programme: A Retrospective Cohort Study (Paper #70) Dr Shien Wenn Sam, HMO, Austin Health, VIC	OR27
13.45 - 14.00	So, What if Something Happens (SWISH) (paper #4) Assoc Prof Michael Montalto, Medical Director, Hospital In The Home, Epworth Healthcare, VIC	OR21	Empowering clinical units to embrace home as a preferred alternative to Brick and Mortar (BAM) (paper #83) Melanie Reed, Director of Operations, Alfred Health, VIC	OR28
14.00 - 14.15	Exploring Practical Recommendations for Implementing and Managing Hospital in the Home Initiatives (paper #19) Assoc Prof Amir Ghapanchi, Victoria University, VIC	OR22	Evaluating the Clinical Effectiveness and Outcomes of a Fast-tracked Antibiotic Infusions Pilot Protocol in a Hospital-at-Home (HaH) unit in Singapore (paper #29) Daphne Cheong, Senior Staff Nurse, Nuhs@home, Singapore	OR29
14.15 - 14.30	Home-based eligibility analysis and recommendation tool (heart): using machine learning to identify in-hospital patients for at-home care (paper #56) Francis Dignam, Deputy Director of Operations and Nursing - Acute and Integrated Care, Alfred Health, VIC	OR23	Paediatric Nurses using ultrasound guidance to support home transfusions for children with known difficult access (paper #37) Amy Wright, Acting Associate Nursing Unit Manager, Women's and Children's Health Network, SA	OR30
14.30 - 14.45	Acute Patient Assessment for Care in the Home Environment (APACHE) (paper #30) Dr George Xue, Hith Clinical Fellow, Metro North Community and Oral Health, QLD	OR24	A Multicentre Prospective Cohort Study of Continuous Intravenous Antibiotic Infusion via Peripheral Intravenous Cannula in Hospital in the Home Setting (paper #74) Dr Karyn Cuthbert, Senior Staff Specialist, The Canberra Health Service, ACT	OR31
14.45 - 15.00	HITH – the secret to better winter surge management (paper #107) Dr Josephine Varney, Head of Data, Technology & Innovation, Amplar Health Home Hospital, SA	OR25	Evaluation of a novel Allied Health Service within the Hospital In the Home (HITH) program at a major Victorian Hospital (paper #50) Andrea Totney, Nurse Unit Manager; and Emma Cox, Clinical Coordinator; Hospital In The Home, Eastern Health, VIC	OR32
15.00 - 15.30	AFTERNOON TEA AND EXHIBITION VIEWING Wandiny Room			

15.30 - 16.45	PLENARY SESSION FIVE AND CLOSING PLENARY- Swim with Stride! Minyama 1 <i>Chair: Dr Michael Young</i>
15.30 - 16.15	Panel session: Managing the psycho-social complexity of patients Facilitator: Dr Michael Young, Chief Executive Officer, Hospital in Your Home Panellists: Dr Archana Thayaparan, Deputy Director of General Medicine-Community and General Physician, Alfred Health, VIC Paul Clenaghan, Program Director Homelessness and Rough Sleepers, Sydney Local Health District, NSW Adj Assoc Prof Sonia Martin CF, Founder and Executive Director, One Bridge, QLD Dr Seok Lim, Medical Head, RMH@Home Acute, Royal Melbourne Hospital, VIC
16.15 - 16.35	We want to know: An interactive session on lessons from last 2 days of conference Assoc Prof Penelope Bryant, Paediatrician and Infectious Diseases Physician; Medical Lead of Hospital in the Home, The Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne, VIC
16.35 - 16.40	Awards & Prizes
16.40 - 16.45	Conference Handover 2026
16.45	Farewell Drinks (own expense) SOLA Bar, Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort