

AFN Summit 2025

Event Schedule and Program

Day 1 (Thursday 20 February)



9:00–10:00	Registrations open Welcome coffee/tea
10:00–10:20	Welcome and Welcome to Country <i>Profs Sarah Hilmer & Ruth Hubbard</i>
10:20–11:15	SESSION ONE
	Consumer involvement in frailty and dementia research <i>Chair: Dr Adrienne Young</i>
	Consumer involvement: From caregiver, to consumer, to researcher <i>Dr Chandana Guha</i>
	Stepup for Dementia – Consumer-led research platform <i>Prof. Yun-Hee Jeon</i>
	Community action research to identify priorities for medication management resources for people with dementia and their carers <i>Dr Mouna Sawan</i>
	Q&A Session <i>Chair: Dr Adrienne young</i>
11:15–11:40	Morning Tea
11:40–12:20	SESSION TWO
	Showcasing Consumers in Action <i>Chair: Mr Paul Klotz</i>
	Introducing the AFN Consumer Advisory Board <i>Mr Paul Klotz</i>
	Consumer involvement in grant applications and reviews <i>Ms Diana Trickett</i>
	Consumer involvement in research dissemination <i>AFN Consumer TBC</i>
12:15–12:40	Panel discussion <i>Chair: Ms Anja Christoffersen</i> – Panel member 1 – Panel member 2 – Panel member 3 – Panel member 4
12:40–1:30	Lunch Break Poster display + Consumer meet & greet

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	<p>SESSION TWO</p> <p>Theoretical background and development of frailty instruments <i>Chair: Prof Sarah Hilmer</i></p>
	<p>Clinical Frailty Scale <i>Prof. Kenneth Rockwood</i></p>
	<p>Developing and validating a multidomain frailty index from routine health data in older patients in six NSW hospitals <i>Dr Kenji Fujita</i></p>
1:30 – 2:45	<p>Derivation, Validation and Implementation of an electronic frailty index for Acute Care Setting in Queensland <i>Dr Ida Tornvall</i></p>
	<p>Optimisation of the FI using unstructured text <i>Prof. Velandai Srikanth</i></p>
	<p>Approaches to automated frailty index generation within Epic, an electronic medical record system <i>Dr Jai Darvall</i></p>
	<p>FI & ACAP Administrative Data- The ROSA experience <i>Prof Renuka Visvanathan</i></p>
2:45–3:05	Afternoon Tea
	<p>SESSION THREE</p> <p>How to Implement Frailty Measurement in your Practice <i>Chair: Professor Sarah Hilmer</i></p>
	<p>Designing and implementing a frailty- focused health system <i>Prof Elizabeth Whiting</i> <i>Ms Megan Kreis</i></p>
	<p>NSW Health ACI Frailty Working Group's role in frailty screening <i>Ms Kate Lloyd</i> <i>Mr Glen pang</i></p>
3:05–4:25	<p>Perioperative multidisciplinary meeting: considering the frail patient for surgery <i>Mr Chuan-Whei Lee</i></p>
	<p>Assessing for frailty using the FRAIL Scale in an acute hospital setting <i>Prof Sue Kurrle</i></p>
	<p>Innovative ePRO- based frailty screening: From international evidence to local implementation <i>Dr Thilo Schuler</i></p>
	<p>Approaches to Frailty in First Nations Australia <i>Ms Ebony Lewis</i></p>
	<p>Incorporating clinical frailty in a routinely used measure to identify the need for palliative care in residential aged care <i>Prof Claire Johnson</i></p>
4:25–4:35	<p>Closing remarks <i>Prof Sarah Hilmer</i></p>
5:00	<p><i>A self-funded social event will be held in the evening, with location details to be confirmed closer to the Summit.</i></p>

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8:30–9:00	Registration Welcome coffee/tea
9:00–9:05	Day 2 opening address <i>Prof Sarah Hilmer</i>
	SESSION FOUR
	Optimising In-patient Care in Individuals with Frailty and Dementia Chair: Dr Sara Fox
	Keynote presentation <i>Prof Kenneth Rockwood</i>
9:05–10:45	Managing behaviours of distress <i>Dr Fred Graham</i>
	Creating supportive environments <i>Mr Nick Seeman</i>
	Creating and sustaining healthful caring cultures – a person-centred approach <i>Prof Brendan McCormack</i>
10:24–10:45	Panel discussion Chair: <i>Dr Sarah Fox</i> <i>Prof Ken Rockwood</i> <i>Dr Fred Graham</i> <i>Mr Nick Seeman</i> <i>Prof Brendan McCormack</i>
10:45–11:05	Morning Tea
	SESSION FIVE
	Frailty-ADD CRE Seed Grant Scheme Dr Kristiana Ludlow Ms Anja Christoffersen
	Introduction to Seed Grant Scheme <i>Ms Anja Christoffersen</i>
	Seed Grant Recipient 2024: Co-designing allied health clinical pathways with frail vascular surgical patients <i>Ms Katie Arnott</i>
11:05–12:15	Seed Grant Recipient 2024: Can front door frailty services deliver the same improvements to care in a setting with limited resources? <i>Dr David Carroll</i>
	Seed Grant Recipient 2025: Project exploring the role of a Frailty Clinical Champion in Australian and Swedish cardiovascular programs. <i>Dr Nicola Straiton</i>
	Seed Grant Recipient 2025: Research into the economic evaluation of early frailty services in emergency departments <i>Ms Melinda Williamson</i>
	Q&A and Session wrap-up Chair: <i>Dr Kristiana Ludlow</i>

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12:15–12:45	Lunch	
	Poster display + consumer meet & greet	
12:45–1:25	SESSION SIX : Best abstract submissions <i>Chair: Dr Natasha Reid</i>	
	Introduction <i>Dr Natasha Reid</i>	
	Using Artificial Intelligence to Predict Discharge Home in People Admitted to Hospital with Frailty: Preliminary Findings <i>Dr Jennifer Jones</i>	
	Frailty in older adults admitted to hospital: the Western Sydney Clinical Frailty Registry <i>Prof Caleb Ferguson</i>	
	Consumer and healthcare professional perspectives on deprescribing for older patients in surgical wards: A mixed methods study <i>Dr Bonnie Liu</i>	
	Session wrap-up <i>Prof Ruth Hubbard</i>	
1:30–2:30	PARALLELL SESSIONS	
	Career Journeys: Insights from the Experts <i>Chair: Dr Emily Gordon</i>	The way forward for AFN consumer engagement <i>Consumer-led session</i>
	<i>Main auditorium</i>	<i>Level 1 meeting rooms 4-5</i>
	Prof. Cathie Sherrington Prof Simon Bell Prof Ken Rockwood Prof Yun-Hee Jeon Prof Brendan McCormack	
	2:30–2:50	Panel discussion
	Session Wrap-up	
2:50– 3:00	Summit Closing Remarks	
3:00–3:15	Afternoon tea	
3:15–4:00	SESSION EIGHT Career Journeys: Meet the Experts	
	Location: Heritage room	
	Three individual slots available per expert, each lasting 15 minutes, with up to three participants per session Experts: Prof. Cathie Sherrington Prof Simon Bell Prof Ken Rockwood Prof Yun-Hee Jeon Prof Brendan McCormack	