



CLINICAL ETHICS FORUM

End of Life Care: When is enough enough?

Thursday 15 October 2015, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, refreshments from 5.15pm
John Loewenthal Auditorium, Westmead Hospital
Cnr Hawkesbury & Darcy Roads Westmead

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*“In death, as in comedy,
timing is everything.”*

*“Heal the sick, comfort the
dying, and don’t get the
two mixed up”*

*“When is it too soon to
mention the D word?”*

Douglas, BMJ 2002 (paraphrased)

The forum will discuss issues surrounding End of Life Care through a mix of presentations, case studies and interactive panel discussions. The forum will be audio recorded and made available through the Ministry of Health’s website.

FACILITATOR: PROFESSOR LYNN GILLAM



Lynn Gillam is Professor in Health Ethics at the Centre for Health and Society, in the Melbourne School of Population and Global Health, and she works as Clinical Ethicist at the Royal Children’s Hospital in Melbourne and is Academic Director of the Children’s Bioethics Centre. She is Chair of the University of Melbourne Human Research Ethics Committee and serves on a number of ethics advisory bodies for state government agencies, professional bodies and the NHMRC.

SPEAKER: DR KERRY CHANT



Dr Kerry Chant is a Public Health physician who is currently the Deputy Secretary, Population and Public Health and Chief Health Officer. Dr Chant has extensive public health experience in NSW, having held a range of senior positions in NSW public health units since 1991.

PANELIST: DR JUNE HEINRICH



June has a long career in serving the community, including over 16 years as the CEO for Baptist Community Services – NSW & ACT and 4 years as CEO of Macquarie Community College. June is a member of the Western Sydney Local Health District Consumer Council and serves as a consumer representative on several committees.

PANELIST: DR ASHOKE BANERJEE



Dr Banerjee is a Senior Staff Specialist in the Intensive Care Unit, Westmead Hospital. He was born in India, raised and educated in England, trained in Anaesthesia in London, and came to Australia in 1993 to do “a year of Intensive Care”. His interests include saving the very sick and easing the passing of the dying.

PANELIST: DR TIM USHERWOOD



Tim Usherwood is Professor of General Practice at Sydney University Westmead and works as a general practitioner at the Aboriginal health service in western Sydney. He is Deputy Chair of the Board of WentWest Ltd, the Western Sydney Primary Health Network, and chairs its Clinical Governance Committee. His research interests include access to health care, and the prevention and management of chronic disease in primary care.

PANELIST: A/PROF AMANDA WALKER



A/Prof Amanda Walker is a Specialist in Palliative Medicine, working as a Clinical Director at the Clinical Excellence Commission. She leads the Quality Systems Assessment team and the End of Life Program, as well as developing projects like Diagnostic Error and Aspiration Pneumonia. She came to the CEC having worked as a clinician and administrator in South Western Sydney, most recently as Director of Medical Services in Camden & Campbelltown Hospitals.

Plus additional panelists

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