

AGENDA

W Hotel, 408 Flinders Lane, Melbourne



FRIDAY 28 AUGUST 2026

Time		Speaker
5.00-7.00pm	Connections & Conversations - meet with all attendees	Curious Bar, W Hotel
7.30pm	Members and Speakers dinner	

SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2026 - The Great Room

Time	Topic	Speaker
Breakfast Session 7.30-8:45am	<i>Building an Innovative Career in Private Cancer Care: Medical Oncology, Haematology, Radiation Oncology</i> <i>Financial & Legal considerations when setting up your practice</i> <i>Expert Panel</i>	Chairs: <i>Dr Paul Viray & Dr Prachi Bhawe</i> Mr Craig Meade, Dr Ian Irving, Dr Amy Davies, Dr Vinod Ganju, Dr Marcus Foo, Dr Belle Sasse
	<i>Delivering Tomorrow's Cancer Care in Today's Private Practice – Strategies, Innovations and Outcomes</i>	
9.00am	Official Opening	Chair: Assoc Prof Christopher Steer
9.10am	Political Addresses from both sides of the aisle Senator Michelle Ananda-Rajah Senator the Hon Anne Ruston	Chair: Dr Ian Irving
9.35am	Australian Cancer Plan and Policy Context	Chair: Assoc Professor Christopher Steer
9.35am	Keynote: The Australian Cancer Plan – implications for innovation and equity	Professor Dorothy Keefe
9.55am	Audience Q&A: Implications for Private Practice	All
10.05am	Innovation in Real-World Private Practice	Chair: Professor Desmond Yip
10.05am	Plenary 1: The future of the AI specialist clinic in ANZ	Dr Daniel Cheng
10.23am	Plenary 2: Genomics, ctDNA and molecular profiling	Professor Jeanne Tie
10.41am	Plenary 3: The role of SABR in metastatic cancers	Professor Shankar Siva
11.00am	Coffee break	

Our Strategic Vision

We aim to be the trusted voice for cancer care. By shaping policy, fostering strategic partnerships, and ensuring the long-term financial sustainability of the sector, the PCPA can continue to provide worldclass outcomes for patients.

Through education, mentorship, and advocacy, the PCPA aims to create a vibrant and thriving membership community that clinicians see as indispensable to their careers. The PCPA does so while expanding our impact and presence within the healthcare ecosystem.

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Time	Topic	Speaker
11.20am	<i>Central Block – Reform, Access and Sustainability in Private Cancer Care</i>	
	<i>Part 1: Re-engineering Access and HTA</i>	<i>Chair: Dr Anu Agarwal</i>
11.20am	Keynote: Re-engineering Access and HTA for Private Oncology	Professor Robyn Ward AM
11.45am	Expert Panel Discussion	Professor Robyn Ward Assoc Professor Christopher Steer Assoc Professor Colman Taylor Ms Vicki Durston Ms Nathalie McNeil Dr Erin Evans
12.10pm	<i>Part 2: Private Practice Sustainability Forum</i>	<i>Chair: Professor Stephen Clarke OAM</i>
12.10pm	Keynote: Private Practice Sustainability: Challenges and Opportunities	Ms Christine Gee AM
12.30pm	Expert Panel Discussion	Ms Christine Gee Professor Gary Richardson OAM Ms Lisa Norman Professor Grant McArthur AO Professor Zanfina Ademi Mr Matthew Bellairs Mr Harry Thomas
1.00pm	Lunch	
1.45pm	<i>Presidential Transition</i>	<i>Professor Desmond Yip</i>
2.00pm	<i>Story, Communication and Patient Voice</i>	<i>Chair: Dr Cameron McLaren</i>
2.00pm	Keynote: "Because I Loved You"	Ms Stephanie Duran
2.20pm	Consumer Panel discussion	Michelle and Judith
2.45pm	<i>Innovation Across Tumour Streams</i>	<i>Chair: Dr Amy Davies</i>
2.45pm	Spotlight 1: Biomarkers, Access and Sequencing: Real-World Choices in Breast Cancer.	Assoc Professor Yoland Antill
3.05pm	Spotlight 2: Up front treatment sequencing in CLL in 2026	Assoc Professor Mary Ann Anderson
3.25pm	Spotlight 3: GI Cancer Care in 2026: Navigating Biomarkers, Sequencing and Access	Dr James McCracken
3.45pm	Afternoon Tea	
4.05pm	<i>Emerging Leaders - Our Future</i>	<i>Chair: Dr Belle Sasse</i>
4.05pm	Beyond RCTs: How Real-World Registries Are Refining Cancer Care Investigator, Collaborator, Mentor-building research into private practice The Missing Ingredient: Why the future of CAR-T depends on people not platforms	Dr Matthew Loft Dr Shehara Mendis Dominic Fernandez
4.50-5.00pm	<i>Summit Close</i>	<i>Dr Cameron McLaren</i>

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