

SDOHA

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Items for Circulation from Members

SDOHA Chair Martin Laverty new National CEO of the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia

After more than six years of service, Catholic Health Australia (CHA) CEO Martin Laverty will depart the organisation following his appointment as National CEO of the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (RFDS). This change does not impact on Martin's commitment to SDOHA – he intends to continue his participation in the Alliance. I'm sure you'll all join with us in congratulating Martin and wishing him well in his new role! Click for related media releases by **CHA** and **RFDS**. <http://www.cha.org.au/media-releases/452-catholic-health-australia-to-farewell-its-chief-executive-officer.html>
<http://www.airmedandrescue.com/story/laverty-named-new-rfds-national-ceo870>

Social Determinants of Health Research Forum: 1pm-3:30pm, Monday 14 July 2014, Canberra

The Research Forum will be followed at 3:30pm by afternoon tea and the SDOHA members meeting. Numbers are limited – RSVP by Friday 4 July to accounts@phaa.net.au. See flyer on the SDOHA website – www.socialdeterminants.org.au - (Media & Events page) for further information.

The Research Forum is being held in conjunction with this year's ***National Health Reform Summit: 15-16 July 2014, Canberra***. Click [here](#) for further information about the Summit.
www.healthreform.org.au/summit/

SDOHA meeting dates for 2014

The other meeting dates (after 14 July meeting) for the remainder of 2014 are:

- Wednesday 20 August (National Press Club event, Canberra – to be followed by SDOHA AGM); and
- Thursday 13 November (topic and destination to be determined).

Invitation to contribute to the SDOHA Blog

We are seeking Blog posts – to be published on the website - from member organisations, either commenting on key issues/current events or showcasing work that your organisation is undertaking in relation to the social determinants of health. Please forward Blog posts to Anne Brown, SDOHA Coordinator at accounts@phaa.net.au.

News items of interest

Media items of interest over the past week included:

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Increasing inequality brings high social cost: report (City News)

The land of the fair go is disappearing, argues former Liberal leader John Hewson, on the release of a new report on wealth inequality. Written by Bob Douglas, Sharon Friel, Richard Denniss and David Morawetz, the report from Australia21, in partnership with The Australia Institute and the Australian

National University, follows a roundtable earlier this year. Click [here](#) for article. Also published by [The Conversation](#) on 11 June.

<http://citynews.com.au/2014/increasing-inequality-brings-high-social-cost-report/>

<http://theconversation.com/increasing-inequality-brings-high-social-cost-report-27867>

Calls for New Way for NFP Sector to Work Together (Pro Bono Australia News)

June Oscar has called on the community sector to reconfigure the way it works together, in the opening keynote address at this year's ACOSS National Conference in Brisbane. Click [here](#) for article.

<http://www.probonoaustralia.com.au/news/2014/06/calls-new-way-nfp-sector-work-together#sthash.Y6yaOX5M.dpuf>

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New members of the AMA Roll of Fellows (Australian Medical Association)

Two former State AMA Presidents and a leading GP advocate were inducted into the AMA Roll of Fellows at the AMA National Conference. Click [here](#) for article.

<https://ama.com.au/ausmed/new-members-ama-roll-fellows>

CHA's Chief to Take on New Role as CEO of Flying Doctor Service (Catholic Communications)

Article about our SDOHA Chair's achievements at CHA and new role. Click [here](#) for article.

http://www.sydneycatholic.org/news/latest_news/2014/2014610_572.shtml

Laverty moves on from CHA (Australian Ageing Agenda)

Another article about Martin. Click [here](#) for article.

<http://www.australianageingagenda.com.au/2014/06/10/laverty-moves-cha/>

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Indigenous healthcare the focus for medical students during western NSW visit (ABC Gippsland)

If you live in western NSW and need specialist medical care, it's a reality that you'll have to drive hours for treatment. What a stark contrast that is to what city patients go through. Click [here](#) for article.

<http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2014/06/06/4020177.htm?site=gippsland>

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