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Items for Circulation from Members

Anti-Poverty Week: 12-18 October 2014

Everyone is encouraged to help reduce poverty and hardship by organising an activity during the Week or taking part in an activity organised by others (note the upcoming SDOHA Anti-Poverty Week Oration listed below). Further information about activities around the country is available on the [website](http://www.antipovertyweek.org.au/).
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Don't forget to enter details of your own Anti-Poverty Week activities on the website - the number of activities across the country is the way we can demonstrate the level of concern Australians feel about poverty. You can also contact apw@antipovertyweek.org.au for further information.

What public health has been doing about social inequalities in Australia (article published on The Power to Persuade forum)

Melanie Walker, SDOHA Manager and Deputy CEO of the Public Health Association of Australia, reports on the recent activities of SDOHA (@sdohalliance), including their National Press Club Address and Research Forum. Article on website at: www.powertopersuade.org.au .

OECD Employment Outlook 2014

The OECD Employment Outlook 2014 includes chapters on recent labour market developments with a special section on earnings, job quality, youth employment, and forms of employment and employment protection. Click [here](#) for report.

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 .

Remaining SDOHA meeting and event dates for 2014

- Tuesday 14 October (11am in Canberra, venue TBA) - Inaugural Social Determinants of Health Alliance Anti-Poverty Week Oration – speaker: Professor Julian Disney AO, Director of the Social Justice Project at the University of NSW.
- Thursday 13 November - SDOHA Members' Meeting (SDOHA members' workshop for Strategic Action Plan development - destination TBA).

News items of interest

Other media items of interest since the last newsletter included:

11 and 12 September 2014

Indigenous gap is not closing, getting worse in some cases (Sydney Morning Herald, Mandurah Mail, and 131 other sources)

The life expectancy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians has not improved in more than 10 years and in some areas of health is getting worse, a report has found. Click [here](#) for article.

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults experience diabetes 20 years earlier than non-Indigenous adults (Australian Bureau of Statistics)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults are more than three times as likely as non-Indigenous adults to have diabetes, and they experience it at much younger ages, according to new figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Click [here](#) for full release.

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Inequities in alcohol-related chronic disease (VicHealth)

The *Inequities in alcohol-related chronic disease in Victoria* report examines a range of factors that influence alcohol consumption and vulnerability to alcohol-related chronic disease in Victoria, including age, gender, residential location and social disadvantage. Click [here](#) for report.

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