

FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER - Registrations open 8am

TIME	EVENT	SPEAKER	TOPIC
8:45am	Welcome	LOUISE SHEEHY, Acting CEO Autism West	
8:50am	Welcome to country	RICHARD WALLEY	
8:55am	OPENING	LISA O'MALLEY, MLA, Member for Bicton	
9:05am	KEYNOTE SPEECH	GRAEME SIMSION	Reflections on researching autism for his award winning novels <i>Audience: ALL</i>
10:15am	Breakout sessions OPTIONS 1-3	JEANETTE PURKIS	Education to employment transition <i>Audience: ALL</i>
		CARLA BURN	Profile & benefits of mentoring young people on the spectrum <i>Audience: Families, Service Providers</i>
		JOHN SCHAD	Strategies to address behaviours of concern for individuals with ASD <i>Audience: Families, Educators, Health Professionals</i>
11:00am	MORNING TEA		
11:30am	PANEL DISCUSSION	ANDREW WHITEHOUSE, SONYA GIRDLER, SILVANA GAGLIA, KERRY MAGRO, JAY HOBBS	Work, life, play: Keys to success. <i>Audience: ALL</i>
1:00pm	LUNCH		
2:00pm	PLENARY	JACKY DEN HOUTING	An introduction to the neurodiversity movement <i>Audience: ALL</i>
2:50pm	Breakout sessions OPTIONS 1-3	JAY HOBBS	Autism & Employment: Finding and keeping your dream career <i>Audience: ALL</i>
		LOUISE SHEEHY	Supporting strengths and interests in and out of school <i>Audience: Educators</i>
		BARB COOK	Living independently within society <i>Audience: Families, Individuals</i>
3:35pm	FIRESIDE CHAT	GRAEME SIMSION	Interviewing KERRY MAGRO <i>Audience: ALL</i>
4:15pm	CLOSE & OPTIONAL NETWORKING AT THE ESPLANADE HOTEL BAR		

SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

TIME	EVENT	SPEAKER	TOPIC
8:30am	OPENING	JEANETTE PURKIS	Strategies around autism and mental health: <i>Audience: ALL</i>
9:15am	KEYNOTE SPEECH	KERRY MAGRO	Defining Autism: From non-verbal to international speaker <i>Audience: Families, Educators</i>
10:15am	Breakout sessions OPTIONS 1-3	NAOMI WARD	Parental stress: why self-care needs to be at the top of the to-do list <i>Audience: Families, Health Professionals</i>
		YOUNG WA ARTISTS ON THE SPECTRUM	Young digital artists map their unique DADAA journeys using visual presentations <i>Audience: ALL</i>
		MATT SCHNEIDER	Autism in the Workplace <i>Audience: Individuals, Families, Employers</i>
11:00am	MORNING TEA		
11:30am	Breakout sessions OPTIONS 1-3	HOLLY BRIDGES	Autism and the polyvagal theory <i>Audience: Families, Educators</i>
		MARITA FALKMER, MATTHEW JONES, CRAIG THOMPSON	Autism Research Snapshot – Finding a place in society <i>Audience: ALL</i>
		CHRISTINA HOLLY	Differentiating teaching to engage and include students with autism in the classroom <i>Audience: Educators</i>
12:15pm	CLOSING REMARKS	LYN BEAZLEY	Defining direction in a changing landscape <i>Audience: ALL</i>
1:15pm	CLOSE		