

## ACT NEWSLETTER FEB/MARCH

Dear ACT AAG Members and Friends,

### 1. Upcoming Local Events:

- SAVE THE DATE: On Wednesday, the 25<sup>th</sup> of March we will be holding a forum titled 'Younger people in residential aged care: diversity of reasons, realities and responses'. The forum will cover a number of aspects of younger people in care, focusing on the diversity of their circumstances, pathways and options. Details coming soon!
- We have more events in the works for 2020 – stay tuned!

### 2. Future events in the ACT and NSW:

- Seniors Week is coming between the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of March.
  - Find more information [here](#) and details on the Seniors Expo [here](#).
- Dementia Australia National Symposium 2020 - Quality care is dementia care will be held in Sydney on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March.
  - More details and registration can be found [here](#).
- The new Warrigal Queanbeyan Residential Aged Care facility is celebrating its official opening on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March with a Health & Wellness Expo.
- The first Active Brain Conference will be held at the Conference Centre at Australian Institute of Sport between the 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of May. The theme is "The brain on physical activity: Towards optimising health & performance".
  - More details and registration can be found [here](#).
- Save the date for the 53<sup>rd</sup> AAG Conference at the Grand Chancellor in Hobart, 17-20<sup>th</sup> of November 2020.
  - Start planning now [here](#). Abstract submissions are OPEN.

### 3. Silver Rainbow: LGBTI Awareness Training for the aged care sector:

- The AIDS Action Council of the ACT in partnership with the National LGBTI Health Alliance is delivering a workshop for the aged care sector, to gain a better understanding of the needs of the older lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) community members.
- Click [here](#) for dates and registration information.

### 4. Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety:

- Keep up to date with the royal commission. You can read submissions on redesign of the aged care system [here](#) and the interim report and publications [here](#).
- Public submissions close on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April. More information can be found [here](#).

### 5. AAG ACT Committee Update:

- Associate Professor Kasia Bail has stepped down as ACT Committee Chair, but will remain on the committee into 2020. Mr Nathan D'Cunha has stepped in as the current Chair of the committee.

### 6. AAG ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Conference Bursary

- Finally, the ACT committee offers travel bursaries to support ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, Higher Degree student and/or Early Career AAG members engaging with research on ageing to attend the AAG annual conference. Please share this throughout your networks to increase awareness of this award.

7. Please reply to this email if you would like something to be included in our next newsletter.

Warm Regards,  
ACT AAG Committee