

SDOHA

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Items for Circulation from Members

Postponement of 13 November Strategic Planning Meeting

Unfortunately the SDOHA Members' Strategic Planning Meeting set down for 13 November 2014 needs to be re-scheduled for early 2015 due to the availability of the facilitator. The new date and venue will be advised ASAP.

SDOHA Anti-Poverty Week Inaugural Oration: 14 October 2014, Canberra

A recording of Professor Disney's oration is now available on the SDOHA website and by clicking [here](#).

Change Day: 11 March 2015

Change Day is all about each of us Making a Pledge to do one thing (or many things) to improve the health and wellbeing of others. What pledge can you make to improve patient, client and consumer health outcomes? For more information click [here](#).

Membership of SDOHA

Full membership is open to organisations that agree with the Alliance's purpose and principles; abide by the Alliance's terms of reference; and consistently and regularly attend Alliance meetings. Individuals can also be listed on the SDOHA website as supporters of the Alliance. Further information is available on the "Who We Are" page of the website at www.socialdeterminants.org.au.

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

Other media items of interest since the last newsletter included:

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Health Department reports shows no ice epidemic in NW Tasmania (ABC News)

Concerns over a reported ice epidemic in the Tasmania's north-west are unfounded, the state's Health Department says. The State Government has released a progress report on its review of drug treatment services in the region. Click [here](#) for full article.

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Patient Advocate Foundation Announces Shonta Chambers as Executive Vice President of Health Equity Initiatives and Programs (Yahoo 7 Finance)

HAMPTON, Va., Oct. 29, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Patient Advocate Foundation (PAF) is pleased to welcome Shonta Chambers as the Executive Vice President for Health Equity Initiatives and Programs. Click [here](#) for full article.

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New Strategy Aims for Dramatic Decline of TB by 2035 (NewsBlaze)

In May 2014, the World Health Assembly approved the WHO's new post-2015 global TB strategy and targets for tuberculosis, which aims to achieve the targets for 2035 - 95% decline in TB deaths and 90% decline in TB incidence rate compared with 2015. Click [here](#) for full article.

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