



## RURAL & REGIONAL FORUM: *FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING*

### DAY 1 – WELCOME DINNER, 27 NOVEMBER

6:15pm-6:30pm	Registration
6:30pm	Pre-dinner drinks
7:30pm	<b>Welcome and introduction - dinner served</b> Tom Symondson – CEO, VHA
8:30pm	<b>Resilience Within</b> David Stirling - Marysville resident
9:40pm	Dinner concludes

### DAY 2– FORUM, 28 NOVEMBER

8:00am	Registration   Tea and coffee on arrival
8:30am	<b>Welcome and introduction   Acknowledgement to Country</b> Tom Symondson – CEO, VHA
8:45am	<b>Help! I need a GP – a workforce case study</b> Margaret Bennett – CEO, Northeast Health Wangarratta
9:45am	<b>WiRE portal launch</b> Ali Georgalas – Project & Policy Advisor, VHA
10:00am	Morning tea
10:30am	<b>Breaking even in ‘thin’ markets under fee for service funding</b> Kirsty McGovern-Hooley – Manager-Business Advisory, RSM Australia
11:00am	<b>People helping people – Identifying financial abuse in the elderly</b> Sandy Probert - Relationship Manager, State Trustees
11:30am	<b>The Hume Algorithm</b> Olivia Stapleton - Registered Nurse, Alpine Health Associate Professor Leslie Bolitho - Consultant Physician, Wangaratta Medical Specialists
12:00pm	<b>Establishing a service for trans and gender diverse children and families in regional Victoria: challenges &amp; opportunities</b> Sarah Roberts – Gender Service Project Worker, Gateway Health
12:30pm	Lunch
1:15pm	<b>Financial literacy for healthcare employees</b> First State Super & VHAPLUS+ Facilitator: David Fien – Director of Development, VHA
1:45pm	<b>VMIA &amp; ACHG Hypothetical: ‘Can hospitals survive and thrive without immunisation?’</b> John Belfrage – Risk Adviser, Health & Human Services Team, VMIA Jo-Anne Moorfoot – Executive Director, ACHG Facilitator: Tom Symondson - CEO, VHA
2:30pm	<b>Terry Symonds</b> Deputy Secretary, Health Service Performance and Programs Division Department of Health and Human Services
3:10pm	<b>Forum wrap up &amp; prize draw</b> Tom Symondson – CEO, VHA
3:30pm	Forum close