

Developing Australia's future Allied Health workforce

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In 2016, statewide benchmarking within Victoria indicated a lack of Allied Health Assistant (AHA) specific professional development and networking opportunities and a high level of interest for such opportunities. An organisational wide (150 AHA's) electronic survey concurred with the statewide results in reference to a lack of these opportunities. 93% of external respondents identified as willing to attend a statewide seminar at Monash Health in 2017.

The Monash Health AHA professional development working party organised four professional development sessions. These were in line with identified AHA learning needs and included Monash Health AHA Day 2017.

The inaugural AHA day event was held at Monash Health. With an overwhelming nation-wide response, three hundred participants attended. While feedback was generally very positive, it was noted that AHA's would have preferred a whole day for learning and travel purposes.

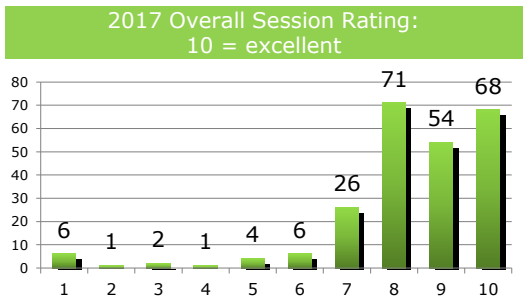


Table 1. AHA Day 2017 Evaluation Data

The second Monash Health AHA Day (2018) was held at Holmesglen in Moorabbin, Victoria, for a full day. Participants attended from all over Australia. For the second time, demand was greater than capacity and participants contributed to a positive evaluation of the event.



Figure 1. Monash Health AHA Day 2018 Working party.

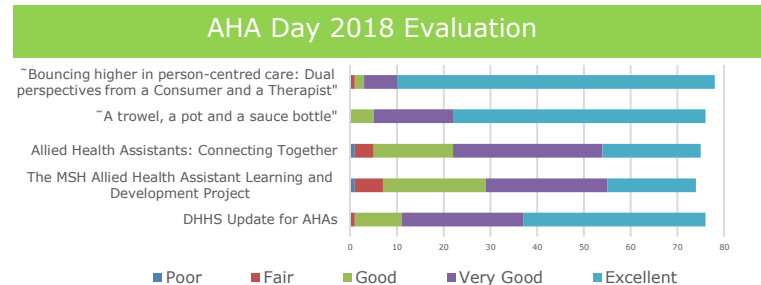


Table 2. AHA Day 2018 Evaluation Data.



Figure 2. Monash Health Day 2018 – a full house.

The third AHA Day is scheduled to occur on Wednesday 13th November, 2019 at Holmesglen. Please direct any enquiries to MonashHealthAHADay@monashhealth.org.