

CRAWFORD POLICY FORUM Health Care Reform and Policy Implementation

Tuesday 6 July 2010, 9.00am - 12.30pm Springbank Room, J G Crawford Building 132, Lennox Crossing, ANU

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| 9.00 - 9.10 | Welcome |
| | Tom Kompas, Director, Crawford School of Economics and Governmen |
| 9.10 - 10.30 | Australian Health Reform |
| CHAIR | Professor John Uhr, Crawford School of Economics and Government |
| | Reflections on health reform debate Professor John Deeble |
| | Australian health care: on the way to a real reform? lan McAuley |
| DISCUSSANT | Associate Professor Paul Dugdale |
| | Discussion |
| 10.30 - 11.00 | Morning tea |
| 11.00 - 12.30 | Policy Implementation |
| CHAIR | Professor John Uhr, Crawford School of Economics and Government |
| | Implementing the government's health reforms: filling the gaps to maximise the potential gains Professor Andrew Podger AO |
| | What happens after big reforms: implementation lessons from UK health care policy Dr Adrian Kay |
| | Managing government performance through key performance indicators Dr Ann Nevile |
| | Discussion |





John Deeble is Professor Emeritus at the Australian National University's National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health. As a chief creator of the Whitlam Government's universal health insurance scheme, Professor Deeble's work remains very much a part of how medicine is practised today. He and colleague Dick Scotton devised Medibank, which was reborn as Medicare in the 1980s.



Ian McAuley is a Fellow of the Centre for Policy Development and a former lecturer in public sector finance at the University of Canberra. He has worked with consumer organizations on economic and financial matters, including the Australian Consumers' Association and the OECD. Much of his current work is involved in helping community and consumer organizations become engaged in the economic debates. In this regard he has an enduring interest in health policy, where he sees a need for a need for fundamental re-examination of some of the assumptions underlying current public policy.



Paul Dugdale is Director of the ANU Centre for Health Stewardship in the College of Medicine, Biology and Environment and Convenor of the ANU Master of Public Health Program. He is also Director of Chronic Disease Management in ACT Health. Associate Professor Dugdale is a public health physician, and has held a number of senior positions in the Australian health system. He writes on health and social theory and currently holds a number of ARC and NHMRC research grants.



Andrew Podger is Adjunct Professor in public administration at the Australian National University, Griffith University and Xi'an Jiao Tong University. Highlights of a long career in the Australian Public Service include being the Public Service Commissioner for three years following six years as Secretary of the Department of Health and Aged Care. Andrew has chaired a task force for the Prime Minister on the delivery of health services in Australia and was National President of the Institute of Public Administration Australia from 2005 to 2010.



Adrian Kay is an Associate Professor in Policy & Governance Program at the Crawford School. He has previously held academic appointments in the UK and at Griffith University, Queensland. Prior to an academic career, Adrian was a member of the UK government's European Fast Stream for several years and spent a year working for the European Commission in Brussels. His major research interests are in the broad areas of comparative public policy and international public policy, with a particular empirical focus on health, agriculture and bioenergy.



Ann Nevile is a Senior Lecturer and Director of the Social Policy Action Research Centre, Crawford School of Economics and Government at the Australian National University. Her academic work, which focuses on government/third sector relationships and how these relationships affect outcomes for service users, is highly valued by policy practitioners, both in government and those working in non-government service delivery organisations, because it addresses practical issues of implementation.



John Uhr is Professor and Director of the Policy and Governance Program, Crawford School of Economics and Government at the Australian National University. His research interests include ethics in the public sector, public policy and administration, public leadership as well as democratic theory and practice.



Tom Kompas is Director of the Crawford School of Economics and Government and Foundation Director of the Australian Centre for Biosecurity and Environmental Economics (AC BEE). He specialises in natural resource and environmental economics. His bioeconomic modelling and biosecurity research has been published in the world's leading international journals (including Science and PNAS) and his current work focuses on the major biosecurity issues in both Australia and internationally. Tom is also Editor of the Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics.

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