

The University of the Sunshine Coast (UniSC), partnering with Lutheran Services, proudly presents the first in our series of Lunchbox Lectures

Infection Control in Aged Care

Date and Time: Wednesday, 12 October 2022. 11am – 12.30pm

Location: UniSC Gympie, 71 Cartwright Road, Gympie 4570

A FREE EVENT

Importance of infection control and key prevention strategies in residential aged care.

About this Event

3rd year nursing students will undertake a final clinical placement at Lutheran Services Cooina Aged Care prior to completion of their degrees. The **Transition to Practice Program** is supported by a series of seminars on aged-related topics to be presented by academics and industry experts to assist the students in their chosen career path.

The Lunchbox Lectures are available to everyone and will allow you to learn how UniSC and Lutheran Services wish to support the development of the Aged Care sector in the future as well as strengthen your knowledge of key age-related health topics.

Topic 1: Risk assessment and ethical decision making in infection prevention and control. Residents of aged care communities are more vulnerable when exposed to germs with an increased risk of infections. The elder person's ability to fight infection is compromised, therefore a risk assessment of infections is vital as are the decisions made to minimise the possibility of infections to keep these valued members of our society safe.

Presenter: Matt Mason is a Lecturer and Academic Lead with UniSC. He has a Bachelor of Nursing, a Masters in Rural Health and a Masters of Advanced Practice in Infection Control. Matt's interests are infection prevention, infectious diseases, emergency management and importantly, clinical governance where he perceives a changing role due to the increase in privatisation of public services in Australia.

Topic 2: Understanding infection control; principals and policies in the residential aged care facility
This presentation will share information on the importance of correct hand hygiene and donning and doffing of personal protective equipment. Understanding of relevant infection control polices in aged care is imperative along with knowledge of the Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA) guidelines

Presenter: Sherri Garrad is the Acting Clinical Manager of Lutheran Services Cooina Aged Care. She is a clinical nurse who is currently completing her Infection Prevention and Controls lead course (IPC Lead) through the Department of Health and Aged Care.

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