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<td>9:30 – 9:40am</td>
<td>Dr Jennifer Hunter</td>
<td>Welcome and introductions. Dr Hunter will introduce the purpose and outline of day, and the speakers. She will speak about Chinese medicine as a newly regulated health profession, and introduce the questions of how to best interact with this health profession and the growing scientific evidence base in order to benefit patients.</td>
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<td>Dr Carolyn Ee</td>
<td>Overview of Chinese Medicine in Australia. Professor Bensoussan and Dr Ee will provide an overview of Chinese medicine, including its cultural context, philosophy and language, concepts on illness, the modalities practiced, the extent of Chinese medicine practice in Australia. They will discuss the potential for integration of Chinese medicine into conventional medical practice, discussing issues of quality, safety and efficacy. They will also discuss information needs with regard to evidence on Chinese medicine effectiveness and efficacy.</td>
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<td>10:00 – 10:40am</td>
<td>Professor Wei Wang</td>
<td>The integration of Chinese and Western medicine in public hospitals in China. Professor Wang will speak on the integration of Chinese and Western Medicine in China. In China, acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine are fully subsidized by a national health insurance scheme similar to Medicare in Australia. Chinese medicine is used either as a sole treatment or is integrated with Western medicine. Professor Wang will describe this integration, which is unique to China, and provide examples of successful integration of Chinese medicine with Western conventional medicine.</td>
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11:00 – 11:30am  Professor Andrew McLachlan  
Professor of Pharmacy and Aged Care, the University of Sydney  
Herb drug interactions – what to consider?  
Professor McLachlan will discuss issues around herb-drug interaction, what GP's and health professionals need to know about herb-drug interactions, and safety issues around Chinese herbs as well as regulation and monitoring of herbs in Australia.

11:30 – 12:30pm  Professor Alan Bensoussan  
Director and Professor of Chinese Medicine, NICM, Western Sydney University  
INTERACTIVE SESSION 1 – workshop stations  
Evidence based approaches to using Chinese medicine  
• Current state of evidence on Chinese medicine  
• Challenges in Chinese medicine research: acupuncture and Herbs  
Facilitated by:  
Associate Professor Dennis Chang, Dr Xiaoshu Zhu, Dr Carolyn Ee and Dr Jennifer Hunter.

12:30 – 1:15pm  Lunch and networking

1:15 – 2:15pm  INTERACTIVE SESSION 2 – workshop stations  
Groups rotate to the next 1 of 3 stations

2:15 – 3:15pm  INTERACTIVE SESSION 3 – workshop stations  
Groups rotate to the next 1 of 3 stations

3:15 – 3:30pm  Afternoon tea

3:30 – 4:00pm  Dr Carolyn Ee  
General medical practitioner and NICM Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Western Sydney University  
INTERACTIVE SESSION 4  
Practical issues around integrating Chinese medicine into a consultation: Finding the evidence, finding practitioners, and safety issues

4:00 – 4:40pm  Dr Jennifer Hunter  
General medical practitioner and NICM Senior Research Fellow, Western Sydney University  
INTERACTIVE SESSION 5  
Clinical decision making when there is insufficient evidence to make a strong recommendation.

4:40 – 4:45pm  Dr Xiaoshu Zhu  
Director of Academic Program, Traditional Chinese Medicine and NICM clinical researcher, Western Sydney University  
Closing remarks

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