

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION ADVISORY GROUP

### Lee Kennedy

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### Background

Professor Kennedy grew up in Scotland, and was trained in Medicine at the University of Edinburgh. His first degree was in Biochemistry, following which he obtained a medical degree from the University of Edinburgh. After graduation, he commenced training in Internal Medicine and in Endocrinology. He was awarded a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Edinburgh for his work on thyroid autoimmunity. Professor Kennedy completed his specialty training in Lecturer posts with the Universities of Cambridge and Sheffield. While in Sheffield, he obtained his PhD working on thyroid growth and development. In 2005, Lee moved to Australia, taking up the post of Professor of Medicine at James Cook University in Far North Queensland. During his time in this post, he served as Acting Head of School and Director of Students. He continued to work in community-based diabetes clinics, and served populations in Far North and West Queensland. In 2011, Lee moved to Deakin University as Professor of Medicine, a joint appointment with Barwon Health. He took over from Professor Brendan Crotty as Head of the Medical School at Deakin University in June 2012.

### Michael Ackland, DHS

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### Background

The Health Surveillance and Evaluation Section, through the Victorian Population Health Survey and the Victorian Burden of Disease Study, generates and disseminates relevant, high quality and timely information on the health of Victorians and aspects of public health performance. Information on both established and emerging public health priorities is produced through analyses and indicators are provided to inform policy and planning initiatives relating to the provision of health services to Victorians. Mike has a Bachelor of Medicine (MB), Bachelor of Surgery (BS), and Master of Public Health (MPH) and is a Fellow of the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine (FAFPHM).

**Tim Baker, CREM MED**

**Title:** Director, Centre of Rural Emergency Medicine

**Organisation:** Deakin University

**Location:** Warrnambool (also works in Portland)

**Telephone:** 0400 902 758

**Background**

Clinical Associate Professor Tim Baker is a fellow of the Australian College of Emergency Medicine and has considerable experience in the field of rural emergency medicine. Tim is Director of the new Centre for Rural Emergency Medicine (CREM), a joint initiative between the State Government, Alcoa Australia and the Deakin Medical School. CREM contributes to the co-ordination and delivery of effective emergency medical management throughout western Victoria and provides national leadership in emergency medicine research. He combines this research with work in the emergency departments of South West Healthcare in Warrnambool and Portland District Hospitals.

**Deb Smith, Western District Health Service**

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**Title:** Education Manager

**Organisation:** Western District Health Service

**Location:** Hamilton

**Telephone:** 03 5551 8542

**Background**

Deb Smith has worked in health for 15 years in various research and education roles. She has been the Education Manager at Western District Health Service since June 2008. Deb has postgraduate qualifications in adult education and program evaluation and completed her Doctoral studies in medical education with Flinders University in 2010. She grew up in a rural community and currently lives on a hobby farm with her partner and two children.

**Sue Brumby, NCFH**

**Title:** Director

**Organisation:** National Centre for Farmer Health

**Location:** Hamilton

**Telephone:** 03 5551 8460

**Background**

Sue has had a long-term interest in agriculture and rural communities and managed the family property at Coleraine for 12 years producing beef, stud cattle and fine wool. Sue is the founding director of the National Centre for Farmer Health a partnership between Deakin University and Western District Health Service, Hamilton Australia. She leads the implementation of five key strategies to improve the health, wellbeing and safety of farm men and women blending both a theoretical and practical understanding of agriculture, health, management and rural communities. Sue is the PI of the award winning Sustainable Farm Families™ (SFF) project and CI on Australian Research Council, NHMRC, RIRDC and beyondblue grants. She has previously been awarded a Victorian Travelling Fellowship to the USA and the EU looking at farmer health and decision making

**Jacquie Cotton, NCFH**

**Title:** Lecturer  
**Organisation:** Deakin University School of Medicine  
**Location:** NCFH Hamilton  
**Telephone:** 03 5551 8585

**Background**

Jacquie joined NCFH in 2012 as Researcher and Lecturer in Rural Health. Graduating from La Trobe University in 2003, she continued on to complete a Doctorate in Agriculture in 2009. Prior to joining the NCFH team, Jacquie has worked as course developer and trainer at Rural Industries Skill Training in Hamilton, and on the teaching and research team at La Trobe University in the Department of Agricultural Sciences, specialising in livestock parasite management in sheep and cattle. Originally a Melbourne girl, Jacquie and her husband have worked with farmers in Hamilton for 5 years and plan to continue to call the area home. Jacquie has a passion for Agriculture & education and has jumped at the chance to combine the two with farmer health here at Deakin University.

**Amy Fay, Dairy Australia**

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**Title:** Program Development manager – Natural Resources Management  
**Organisation:** Dairy Australia  
**Location:** Melbourne  
**Telephone:** 03 9694 3848

**Background**

Amy is a Program Development Manager in Natural Resource Management at Dairy Australia. Amy works on projects that cover a wide range of issues to contribute to the long term sustainability and profitability of the dairy industry. These include energy use, water, nutrient management and climate change adaptation. Previous to working at Dairy Australia, Amy spent a few years working in research management and sustainable agriculture policy in Canberra for the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, and the Grains Research and Development Corporation. Amy grew up on a mixed broadacre farm in Western Victoria and studied a Bachelor of Agricultural Science at Melbourne University. Amy is a graduate of the Australian Future Grain Leader's Program and the 2012-13 PIARN Masterclass on Climate Change. Amy is currently studying her Masters in Sustainable Agriculture, has completed units HMF701 & HMF702 through the National Centre for Farmer Health and is a current committee member of the Young Agribusiness Professionals.

**Ian Story, HMNBS**

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**Title:** Educational Developer  
**Organisation:** Deakin University  
**Location:** Burwood Campus  
**Telephone:** (03) 9244 6030

**Background**

The Faculty Educational Developer has Faculty-wide responsibilities for providing advice and support in curriculum design and assesment, experiential learning, flexible teaching and learning for online development and delivery.

**Bernie Marshall, HMNBS**

**Title:** Associate Dean, (Teaching and Learning), School of Health and Social Development  
**Organisation:** Deakin University  
**Location:** Burwood, Melbourne  
**Telephone:** (03) 9244 6822

**Background**

Mr Marshall is a senior lecturer in public health and health promotion, and is Associate Head of School (Internationalisation) and teaches in these areas at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. In addition, he coordinates the Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion, and the suite of courses in public health and health promotion at postgraduate level, including the Master of Public Health program. He is the Program Manager of the Victorian Consortium for Public Health, which is the group of four universities that offers the Master of Public Health program in Victoria.

**David Byrd, VFF Representative & Dairy Farmer**

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**Organisation:** Victorian Farmers Federation  
**Location:** Nth Byaduk, Hamilton  
**Telephone:** (03) 55788293

**Background.**

David is a dairy farmer, farming at North Byaduk near Hamilton. He runs over 400 dairy cows plus young stock supplying Fonterra the New Zealand co-op. His farm employs 2 fulltime members of staff, plus 1 casual. David originally came to Australia as a part of his study after being awarded a Nuffield Scholarship in 2000. He has an honours degree in Economics, and various agricultural qualifications including being a trained Artificial Inseminator. David also teaches with Rural Industries Skill Training ( RIST). He is on the board of West Vic Dairy and a representative of Victorian Farmers Federation, representing the needs of dairy farmers in South West Victoria a 2 billion litre a year plus industry and the largest regional dairying area in Australia.

**David Rendell, VET**



**Title: Livestock Vet Consultant, Senior Partner**

**Organisation:** Livestock Logic

**Location:** Hamilton

**Telephone:** (03) 5572 1419

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David has 30 years livestock veterinary practice experience. He has presented at forums throughout Australia, New Zealand and North America and developed and delivers sheep and cattle health Diploma of Agriculture courses for RIST, which cover zoonoses and safe veterinary chemical training. David has considerable experience in both the management and treatment of cattle and sheep and currently operates Livestock Logic, a livestock vet consultancy and parasitological laboratory in Hamilton. He is an honorary Senior Fellow of the University of Melbourne veterinary faculty, and is the Victorian animal welfare representative for the Australian Veterinary Association. David also serves on a number of animal welfare related committees..