

## Challenging Inequality: Working together for a just society: AASW Conference 2019 comes to Adelaide

The theme of Australian Association of Social Work Conference 2019 is Challenging Inequality: Working together for a just society. It will be held in Adelaide for two days from tomorrow afternoon. AASW CEO Cindy Smith said, "The conference is an incredible opportunity to highlight and recognise the work of multiple sectors and the profession of social work in challenging inequality." The conference will be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre, between 7-9 November 2019 at the Adelaide Convention Centre. It will be opened by the Hon Rachel Sanderson MP, Minister for Child Protection. Ms Smith said, "With more than 450 delegates, including from across Australia and internationally, this is the largest conference we have ever had. This is a significant opportunity to highlight the knowledge and skills we possess with about 140 papers being presented, including in practice, research, education and policy. "The conference will also focus on the very pertinent issue of child protection and the registration of social work as a profession. An expert panel will discuss the future of social work registration and in particular, the local developments." To name a few of the subjects to be covered, these will include mental health, family violence and trauma, disability, human rights and many more. Ms Smith said, "Our pre-eminent Keynote Speakers will be Natasha Stott Despoja AO, Professor Tom Calma AO and Debbie Kilroy will be our Dinner Speaker. They will each be giving us a unique perspective on how we can work together for a just society. "Now is the time to be Challenging Inequality. The professional development event of the year is happening this weekend in Adelaide." Cindy Smith is available for interview. If you are a member of the media and would like to cover this event, please contact Angela Yin on 0413 532 954.

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