



National Community Legal Centres Conference 2025  
Draft schedule 1/05/25

Wednesday 3 September

8:30	MASTERCLASSES
	M1 Managing trauma in the workplace M2 Federal politics 101: Managing politicians and the media M3 Data and storytelling M4 AI and the law
9:30	SHE SHARES HISTORY WALKING TOUR
9:30	CULTURE ON THE MOVE BASKET WEAVING WORKSHOP
10:30	
11:00	SHE SHARES HISTORY WALKING TOUR
11:30	
12:30	
13:30	
13:30	Welcome to Country
	Opening address
14:30	
14:45	P1 PLENARY 1
	First Nations justice In discussion with United Ngunnawal Elders Council
15:45	Afternoon tea
16:15	P2 PLENARY 2
	Will we ever win fair funding? Daniel Scoullar, Social Change Projects Nick Hudson, Deputy CEO, knowmore
18:00	WELCOME RECEPTION Lawitja O'Donoghue Cultural Centre, Kambri at ANU
19:30	

Thursday 4 September

LAWS	ADVOCACY AND SYSTEMS REFORM	WORKING HOLISTICALLY	STAYING STRONG AND SUSTAINABLE	LOOKING TO THE FUTURE	
9:00	<div>B1</div> <div>Priority reforms to improve justice, safety and equality for women</div> <div>Led by Lara Friedin, Women's Legal Services Australia</div>	<div>B2</div> <div>The role of strategic litigation in systemic advocacy</div> <div>Session details and speakers TBC</div>	<div>B3</div> <div>Integrated practice in action—how multidisciplinary approaches impact people and communities</div> <div>Led by Marika Manioudakis, Eastern Community Legal Centre</div>	<div>B4</div> <div>Managing Neurodivergence in the workplace</div> <div>Session details and speakers TBC</div>	<div>B5</div> <div>Futureproofing climate justice</div> <div>Led by Michael Smith, ECLC, and Louisa Gibbs, Federation (Vic)</div>
10:15	Morning tea				
10:45	<div>B6</div> <div>Protecting the rights of older people and people with disability</div> <div>Led by Naomi Anderson, Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service, Ken Bellby, Seniors Rights Service NSW</div>	<div>B7</div> <div>Supporting people with lived experience to engage with the media</div> <div>Led by Rochelle Allison-Moore, Community Legal Centres WA</div>	<div>B8</div> <div>From crisis to recovery to healing through holistic, multidisciplinary, trauma-informed client care and fearless advocacy</div> <div>Led by Cleona Feuring, WestJustice</div>	<div>B9</div> <div>Best practice in governance for community legal centres</div> <div>Led by Michelle Cutler, strategy, culture, organisational performance, governance</div>	<div>B10</div> <div>Session details and speakers TBC</div>
12:00	Lunch				
13:30	<div>B11</div> <div>Engaging, supporting and defending young people with legal problems</div> <div>Led by Kirsten Young, Peninsula Community Legal Centre, Guglielmo Plain, Uniting Communities Law Centre</div>	<div>B12</div> <div>How change happens: Lessons from successful sector-led advocacy campaigns</div> <div>Led by Emma Gollidge, Kingsford Legal Centre, and Sarah Newman, CALC</div>	<div>13</div> <div>By, with and for: Integrated approaches to working with people with disability and mental ill-health</div> <div>Led by Kate Windmill, Mental Health Legal Centre, Isabel Moss, Canberra Community Law</div>	<div>B14</div> <div>Confronting concerns about legal professional privilege, confidentiality and clashes of professional obligations</div> <div>Led by Sarah Toovey, RUAA Legal Services</div>	<div>B15</div> <div>Measuring outcomes</div> <div>Led by Jess Moniodis, Circle Green Community Legal, Tim McMahon, Federation (Vic)</div>
14:45	Afternoon tea				
15:15	<div>B16</div> <div>Now more than ever: Supporting LGBTIQ+ people in the legal system</div> <div>Led by Jean Kearney, RACs, and Matilda Alexander, LGBT Legal Service</div>	<div>B17</div> <div>Justice where you live: Making full geographic inclusion a reality</div> <div>Led by National 4Rs Network and Economic Justice Australia</div>	<div>B18</div> <div>Session presented by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander</div> <div>Speakers include Celeste Woolf, Southern Aboriginal Corporation</div>	<div>B19</div> <div>Session presented by the National PII Network</div> <div>Led by Catherine Eagle, Convenor</div>	<div>B20</div> <div>Session details and speakers TBC</div>
16:30					
18:30	PRE-DINNER DRINKS Gandell Atrium, National Museum of Australia				
19:30	CONFERENCE DINNER Gandell Atrium, National Museum of Australia				
10:30					

Friday 5 September

9:30	P3 PLENARY 3
	Combatting the rise of the far right Session and speaker details TBC
10:45	
11:15	P3 PLENARY 4
	Session and speaker details TBC
12:30	