

KEYNOTE PLENARY PRESENTATION

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Title: The Important of Inclusion to Unleash Medicine

Harvey Cushing, once said, “I would like to see the day when somebody would be appointed surgeon somewhere who had no hands, for the operative part is the least part of the work.” That day is not beyond imagination. With humanity and technology, it is inevitable that medicine changes.

Our society is progressing at an increasingly rapid rate, as are its values. More than ever before, it celebrates diversity and inclusion. That celebration creates a melting pot of ideas which feeds into our progress.

With that, technology threads an intricate tapestry through our world. Where once our imagination was bound by the limits of technology, today, technology is bound by the limits of our imagination.

These two factors, technology and values, are critical parts for the progress of medicine. By keeping in step with, or even ahead of, these two things with our society, we can build a bright future for one of the most human endeavours – the practice of medicine. In this keynote, the mixture of storytelling through personal experience and future-focus will hopefully plant the seed of this idea.

KEYNOTE WORKSHOP

Dr. Dinesh Palipana OAM, LLB, MD

Title: Inclusion: Barriers or Opportunities?

When it comes to inclusion, barriers are often the first thing that comes into the mind. Will it be too difficult? Will it be impossible? What will be the cost?

Often, these barriers are only in the mind. Rather, they present opportunities for us to think differently about the way we do things. This workshop aims to challenge our thinking.