



The Healthy Ageing Research Unit & the Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Gippsland) presents

Understanding the ageing process: Training health and social care professionals A UK Perspective

Wednesday 25th February 1-2pm



Dr. Alex Withnall
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Meeting Room 4, School of Primary Health Care
Building 1, 270 Ferntree Gully Road
Notting Hill Campus

Light lunch provided from 12.30pm

This seminar presentation will draw on the UK experience to explore current initiatives and challenges of learning about ageing, with a particular focus on the training and education of health and social care professionals.

Alex Withnall is a visiting academic from the University of Warwick in the United Kingdom. Alex is the Director of Continuing Professional Development at the Health Sciences Research Institute. In her role as Director, she co-ordinates all aspects of the Centre's developing educational programme.

Additionally, Alex has previously worked at Keele and Lancaster Universities and at the National Institute of Adult Continuing Education in the UK. As well as being involved in a number of national educational development projects and is currently Chair of the Association for Education and Ageing.

Her research interests include learning in later life, the ageing process, bereavement and widowhood, and education and training of health and social care professionals. Alex has long been interested in older people as learners and has been researching aspects of later life learning for almost 30 years.