

# HSR Progress



Issue 1 July-August 2017 The Inaugural Issue

## Message from Group Leader

Welcome to the inaugural HSR Progress!

It is exciting to have this newsletter as a permanent record for the group's progress. We hope it will serve as a vehicle to unite group members, enabling those who cannot attend the monthly lunch time meetings to feel connected with what is happening in the group. This newsletter is an outcome of one of those meetings. Dr Shaoyu Wang made a strong case for having a regular newsletter and offered to coordinate it. Thanks to his initiative we now have our first newsletter. We have chosen to have some regular sections, such as bios of members, profiles of partners, and recent success stories. These sections are part of a deliberate design which aims to promote collaboration within the group and with external partners through trust building by knowing each other better and fertilisation of ideas.

With kind regards, [Oliver](#)

## Partner Organisation



LiveBetter Community Services focuses on improving the lives of people in regional Australia. Our relationship with the Health Services Research (HSR) Group is an important alliance that demonstrates our organisation's commitment to improved health and social outcomes through rigorous and impact-focussed research.

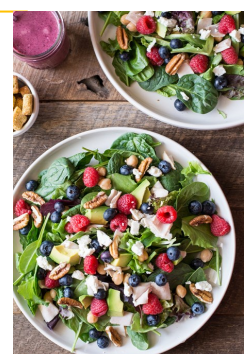
Sharing common goals and partnering with Charles Sturt University on promoting regional education, research, and community development, we have already undertaken several significant Australian Government-funded research projects, resulting in important and sustained impact on service delivery across the human and community services sector. As LiveBetter continues to grow in size and scope, HSR Group in CSU will become an increasingly important partner in identifying and working to solve some of today's most critical health and community services issues: aged care, disability care, child and family services, homelessness, domestic violence, and a host of other social and community service outcomes.

[Dr Gregory Dresser](#) Senior Manager Research and Evaluation

## Progress & Successes

**Grants:** 1, Team Care for people experiencing Severe Mental Illness program evaluation. CIs: R. Roberts (lead), O. Burmeister, R. Rossiter, and G. Hodgins. 2017-2018 \$40,000 funded by the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network.

2, A/Prof Zahid Islam and Prof Mark Morrison have submitted the final report and given the final presentation on their project funded by the MLHD, NSW Health on 2 May, 2017. The project has been nominated for an MLHD Excellence award.



## Group Overview

Leader: A/Prof. [Oliver Burmeister](#)

Deputy: A/Prof. [Zahid Islam](#)

**Trivia** How many members are currently in the group?

## Member Profile 1

### [Dr Jodie Kleinschafer](#)



I am a marketing academic in the School of Management and Marketing. My areas of research interest include consumer behaviour, household decision making, not for profit marketing, household energy efficiency and most recently the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). The NDIS constitutes major reform in disability funding and the magnitude of this change has been likened to the introduction of Medicare. The application of marketing theory in this area can contribute significantly to the survival of regional businesses and the quality of life achieved for people with a disability in rural regional and remote communities. In collaboration with Felicity Small and Mona Nikidehaghani, I am in the process of conducting in-depth interviews with a range of stakeholders in the western region, as a part of a longitudinal study into the NDIS. Our aim is to identify the challenges and opportunities for consumers and regional businesses through this transition. [J.K.](#)

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## Publications

- Fletcher, S. and Islam, M. Z. (2017): Differentially Private Random Decision Forests using Smooth Sensitivity, Expert Systems with Applications (ESWA), Vol. 78, pg. 16-31, DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.eswa.2017.01.034>.
- Reza, K., Islam, M. Z., and Estivill-Castro, V. (2017): 3LP: Three Layers of Protection for Individual Privacy in Facebook, In Proc. of the 32nd International Conference on ICT Systems Security and Privacy Protection (IFIP SEC 2017), Rome, Italy, May 29-31, 2017.CORE 2014 Rank B.

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## Member Profile 2

### Dr Shaoyu Wang

Trained in veterinary medicine in my undergraduate and PhD in biomedicine, and worked in various universities, I am currently a lecturer in anatomy and physiology in School of Community Health. My research is currently focusing on cellular and molecular biology of aging and identification of social and biological factors leading to holistic, healthy aging in rural populations. This research is partly funded by a small grant from CSU. Currently I co-supervise two PhDs and one undergrad. I also like to listen music and do physical exercise. [S.W.](#)



### Members' Say

What would you like to see in future HSR Progress issues? Will we see you featured in future HSR Progress? If yes, send them to [shawang@csu.edu.au](mailto:shawang@csu.edu.au)

Send in your answer to [Trivia](#) as well and see what happens!

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## Goals of HSR ProgresS

To facilitate cross-fertilisation of ideas and foster collaboration within the group and with our partner organisations.

