

# Melbourne Panellists

## ***Sonya Hilberts***

Sonya Hilberts manages NEHTA's (National E-Health Transition Authority) strategic direction for education, training and research. Her responsibilities include:

- Strategic plan development and implementation for e-health education, training and research
- Management of current investment in e-health education and training across NEHTA;
- Work with the health informatics sector to build the capacity of the organisations that represent and support health informaticians;
- Facilitate the development and implementation of education and training materials through health professional representative organisations.

Prior to NEHTA, Sonya's previous health and education roles included, National Executive Manager, National Learning and Development Manager, Senior Policy Analyst, Senior Project Officer, University and TAFE facilitator, Education Manager, Hospital Educator, International Trauma Educator, Critical Care Educator, and Learning and Development and Organisational Development Consultant.

She has specialised in designing and delivering non accredited and accredited curriculum and professional development programs in medium to large corporate government and non-government organisations.

## ***Andrew Howard***

Andrew Howard is the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Health Victoria. Included in his portfolio are the Department's Information Management and ICT activities, the HealthSMART clinicals program, HealthSMART Services and Victoria's involvement in National e-health activities. Andrew sits on a range of state and national e-health committees and is the co-chair of the National Health CIO Forum. Andrew has previously been a medical practitioner in hospitals, the manager of a small private hospital and had a role with one of the multi-national IT companies.

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## ***Andrew Cording***

Andrew Cording is currently the Chief Pharmacist at St Vincent's Health Melbourne and Honorary Secretary for the Australasian College of Health Informatics. Andrew is a registered practicing pharmacist in the state of Victoria and holds a Bachelor Pharmacy, a Post Graduate Diploma of Clinical Pharmacy, a Masters in Business Administration majoring in financial management and is currently completing post graduate qualifications in Information Systems.

Andrew has worked across a number of public hospital networks in Victoria including Austin Health, Eastern Health, where he was a Director of Pharmacy and also for the Department of Health where he worked on some of the earlier components of the HealthSMART ePrescribing system and Australian Medicines Terminology build.

His professional interests include web coding and design, lean and six sigma in the healthcare environment as well as photography and video production and editing.

St Vincent's main campus and pharmacy services are provided at the Fitzroy site here in Melbourne, with pharmacy services utilising a decentralised, patient-focused model with nine separate onsite pharmacy locations. In addition St Vincent's Health also incorporates St George's Hospital in Kew, Caritas Christi palliative care hospice in Kew. St Vincent's Pharmacy and also provides pharmacy services to three of the largest Correction Facilities in Victoria, including both private and public prisons.