

A Seminar

on

Planning and Health: Building Sustainable Links

between Planning and Health

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Building sustainable links

A strong link exists between the built environment, health and well-being. The built environment impacts upon opportunities to engage in physical activity and the way in which we participate in community life. As the focus of the planning profession is to design and create a sound built environment, and the emphasis of public health professionals is to increase opportunities for physical activity and improve community life the two group's objectives are intrinsically linked. Through a shared recognition of these links, VicHealth, the Royal Australian Planning Institute (RAPI) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) are working together to determine ways in which sustainable partnerships can be created between urban, social and health planners at a state and local level to improve the health and well-being of the community.

Purpose

A key objective of the seminar is to provide an opportunity for health and urban planners to come together to share knowledge and increase awareness about the links between people, the places we live in, and well-being. It will also enable information to be exchanged about work addressing these links, including the strategies being implemented and the challenges faced. Future collaborative opportunities between disciplines and mechanisms to achieve these will be discussed.

When:	Thursday, 30 May 2002
Time	10.00 am Coffee & Registration 10.30 am to 3.00 pm
Where:	Warrnambool Racing Club Inc. Members Lounge
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Seminar Program

10.00 Coffee and Registration

10.30 Welcome, James Nicol

*Mayor, Warrnambool
City Council*

Introduction

VicHealth

10.45 **PANEL DISCUSSION**
**Reflection on Regional Projects: Individual
presentation on process, the Health Impacts,
Mechanisms for Integration.**
Questions

11.45 **WORKSHOP Regional and Local Links to Planning
processes. Strategies to meet the challenges and
enhance collaboration.**

12.30 **LUNCH**

1.30 **'Know Your Area' Database**
Department of Infrastructure

2.00 **Participants Workshops— Feedback
Priorities and shared objectives**
Discussion *Dr. Iain Butterworth DHS*

2.30 **Discussion/Future Direction**

3.00 **Close**

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