



**PRIMARY
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Community Practices in Disaster Recovery

EVENT FOR PROVIDERS FROM NEW
ENGLAND NORTH WEST

In the last years, repeated flood events in the New England North West communities have affected primary care providers and staff working in General Practice and Aboriginal Controlled Community Health Services.

The virtual education session will include presenters from NSW Reconstruction Authority (NSWRA), NSW SES and the University of Newcastle, and will provide important information regarding the following:

- How the disaster operational response works and who the involved stakeholders are.
- How community practices are affected during the disaster management cycle
- Capacity development: Resources for disaster recovery
- Gunnedah floods 2022: Lived experience and debrief.
- Building back better: How Gunnedah floods have informed change management and scientific research at Newcastle University.
- Q&A discussion forum at the end of the event

Learning Outcomes:

- Learn about the National Principles for Disaster Recovery and the PPRR Emergency Management cycle.
- Build capacity with relevant resources for providers, patients and disaster affected community members.
- Understand how lived experiences can inform better outcomes.

WHO: Providers and their practice staff from GP and AMS Community Practices in the New England North West

WHEN: Wednesday 3rd May 2023, Webinar Presentation: 6:30pm – 7:30pm, discussion forum from 7:30pm -8.00pm.

RSVP: Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register for the online event

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WHERE: **Online via GoToWebinar**

SPEAKERS: **Katie Sewell**, Community Coordination Officer, New South Wales Reconstruction Authority

Mitchell Parker, Manager NENW, NSW Reconstruction Authority

David Rankine, Community Engagement Manager, NSW State Emergency Service, Western and North Western zones. Dave has held this role for the past three years. He has had an extremely busy 16 months managing community engagement and communications in flood-affected regions of NSW from Lismore in the North-East to Mildura in the state's South West. Working with local communities right alongside flood affected communities during that time. Dave relishes the opportunity to assist communities during flood and storm emergencies, including being recognised as responsible for rallying the Northern Rivers Community to form the Tinny Navy during the February 2022 Lismore flooding.



Graham Brewer, Associate Professor of Disaster Resilience and Sustainable Development, University of Newcastle. Graham's current interests are centred on local capacity building and include community resilience, disaster risk reduction, and climate change adaptation, with a particular focus on policy and flood events in NSW. Graham was the Foundation Executive Director of CIFAL Newcastle, a UN training centre for disaster risk reduction from 2015-2019.

