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What's next for symposium 2017?

Returning this year, the fifth Sydney Innovation and Research Symposium will move to a new home at Carriageworks and once again showcase the latest in medical and health research to address the growing and changing nature of our community's health needs.



The symposium showcase on Friday 23 June will bring together

more than 1000 staff and consumers from across the District and NSW Health to ask 'What's next' in delivering healthcare for the future while presenting the most innovative and powerful findings in health and medical advancements across complex conditions, patient driven care, health informatics and technology, holistic health and service delivery.

The District's Chief Executive, Dr Teresa Anderson, said this year's symposium would be bigger and better than before.

"Each year the symposium has grown in size and stature and is one of the largest of its kind hosted by a local health district.

"This year will be no exception and I look forward to seeing a record number of attendees immerse themselves into the expansive program of events and idea-sharing and collaboration," she said.

The 2017 symposium will include, for the first time, a specialised meeting of some of the best robotic surgery minds in Australia and abroad. The Sydney Robotics Summit on Saturday 24 June will showcase the latest in robotic surgery techniques across multiple specialties.

The inaugural Big Idea, an innovation challenge providing up to \$45,000 pre-seed funding to develop ideas with commercial potential, will be launched on Thursday 22 June.

Hosted by Sydney Research and sponsored by Sydney Local Health District and the University of Sydney, the Big Idea is an opportunity to gain exposure, support and mentoring through sponsors, industry and participating venture capitalists.

In partnership with the Central and Eastern Sydney Primary Health Network, general practitioners will come together with allied health and medical staff at a special forum also on 24 June and our annual Clinical Trials Showcase will celebrate our numerous life-saving clinical trials on Thursday 22 June.

Presented at the largest and most significant contemporary multi-arts centre of its kind in Australia in Carriageworks, Eveleigh, we will welcome back media personality Julie McCrossin as master of ceremonies. Stay tuned for more updates and announcements at www.slhd.nsw.gov.au/innovationSymposium.