



Good morning

Welcome to the latest edition of 'IPAA Connect', a weekly collection of curated content and resources from across the public sector.

It's time to say farewell with today being my last day at IPAA, as I handover to Caroline at our Annual General Meeting tonight. I'll keep it brief – my time at IPAA has been fantastic and I am privileged to have run this organisation since early 2015. During that time we have grown into a respected platform that has hosted many important discussions about the public sector. I'd like to thank the many Presidents I have worked with – Glenys, Gordon, Frances and Steven – along with the Council, committees and many members who have contributed.

A huge thanks to the IPAA team for all that they do and their commitment to the organisation. I'm looking forward to my next challenge, with a move into the consulting world as a Partner with KPMG, where I'll continue to work alongside the public sector. All the best to Caroline in taking IPAA onwards and upwards!

**Drew Baker**

Chief Executive Officer (outgoing)  
IPAA ACT



I'm excited to be joining the IPAA team and taking over the reins from Drew, who has done an amazing job leading IPAA ACT over the past five and a half years. His leadership has taken IPAA from strength to strength, delivering high quality events and content. Likewise, the quality of public administration in Australia is high, and our public sector is well regarded internationally. IPAA ACT is in a unique position to work in partnership to maintain that quality, allowing members to come together to debate, connect and develop their craft.

I'm looking forward to connecting with members and continuing to deliver value through our platforms and events. I've already connected with a number of you and have been blown away by the energy and passion for IPAA and its contribution. If you have ideas for speakers and topics, please let [me know](#).

**Caroline Walsh**  
Chief Executive Officer (incoming)  
IPAA ACT

## WORK WITH PURPOSE

### 'KEEPING UP WITH JOBKEEPER' WITH DR STEVEN KENNEDY PSM AND MATT COMYN

In this unmissable episode, Dr Steven Kennedy PSM, Secretary of The Treasury, and Matt Comyn, CEO of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, is joined in conversation with Jessica Irvine, the Senior Economics Writer for The Sydney Morning Herald and The Age. They discuss the decision making and design of JobKeeper, why a demand-driven stimulus approach was chosen, and the differences between Australia's and international governments' fiscal responses to the pandemic. Listen to the podcast on our [website](#) and read Jessica Irvine's Sydney Morning Herald [article](#) on the conversation.



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with

Dr Steven Kennedy PSM  
& Matt Comyn

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## WORK WITH PURPOSE: UPCOMING PODCASTS

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### Monday 28 September

**Drew Baker** | Outgoing Chief Executive Officer, IPAA ACT

**Caroline Walsh** | Incoming Chief Executive Officer, IPAA ACT

**Carmel McGregor PSM FIPAA** | Former Deputy Secretary and Former Deputy President, IPAA ACT

### Tuesday 6 October

**Andy Penn** | Chief Executive Officer, Telstra

### Monday 12 October

**Innovation Award Winners** | Australian Taxation Office and Services Australia

Tell us what you think about Work with Purpose and help guide the future of the podcast series by completing this short [survey](#).

## WHAT'S ON @ IPAA



### IPAA ACT | 2020 - LOOKING BACK AND MOVING FORWARD

7 OCTOBER 2020 | LIVE-STREAM EVENT

Join us for a *Future Leaders Series* event with experts from Australian cultural organisations for a discussion on innovating in times of transformational change and learnings, that can apply more broadly to future leaders and the public sector. Details and registration [here](#).



### GARRAN ORATION | THE HON GREG HUNT MP

21 OCTOBER 2020 | STREAMED EVENT

IPAA is pleased to host the Hon Greg Hunt MP, Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service and Cabinet, who will deliver the 2020 *Garran Oration*. Details [here](#).



### **IPAA VIC | MANAGING A CRISIS AND PLANNING FOR RECOVERY** 20 OCTOBER 2020 | WEBINAR

Former Victoria Police Chief Commissioner, Dr Christine Nixon APM, will examine key lessons when managing an initial crisis response and explore an ongoing crisis management response – planning for and moving into recovery and restoration. Details and registration [here](#).

## USEFUL TOOLS



### **APS AND MINISTERIAL OFFICES WORKING BETTER TOGETHER**

In response to the Thodey Review of the APS, the Australian Public Service Commission will be releasing guidance and training programs from early 2021, to help APS employees engage effectively with ministers and their advisers. More in [The Mandarin](#).



### **DATA PROFESSIONAL STREAM LAUNCHED**

The APSC [launched](#) the Data Professional Stream last week, which is designed to source, grow and mobilise data expertise across the APS, guiding responsible, informed and ethical use of data. By [joining the network](#), APS employees will share resources, knowledge and expertise, and be offered the opportunity to grow their capabilities and career.



### **AGILE METHODS FOR EFFECTIVE TEAMWORK**

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's Project Office has released [The Agile Policy Playbook](#). This resource provides tips and templates to help teams deploy Agile practices and tools to enhance their effectiveness, clarify goals, accelerate delivery and manage risk.

## AT WORK WITH IPAA



It would be remiss of us IPAA teamsters to let this Connect issue pass without saying a word or two about Drew Baker on his last day at IPAA ACT, after five and a half years at the helm.

We also know that Drew is not one for attention, so we'll (try to) keep it succinct.. as is his penchant!

Drew, it's been an absolute pleasure working with and following you along the IPAA trajectory. Thank you for your leadership, your passion, for the laughs and all the Ostani burgers! The 'IPAA Fam' will miss you.

With that said, Caroline, welcome aboard! We are thrilled to be beginning a new chapter with you.

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