

## SISA June Forum – Sponsored by Melino Legal

### Agenda

**DATE & TIME:** Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> of June 2025 9:00am – 12:00pm

**VENUE:** LGA House, Level 3, 148 Frome Street Adelaide

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<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Psychiatric Injury Claims – a view from the Bar and the Bench</b> <i>Presented by: Alexander Ward AM</i>
<b>10.20am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>
<b>10.40am</b>	<b>Post Concussion Syndrome – diagnosis and management – from the perspective of a neuropsychologist and psychiatrist</b> <i>Presented by: Dr Sara Lucas &amp; Dr Shiva Gunapu</i>
<b>11:55am</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

**NEXT FORUM:**

**Date : 13<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

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# SISA FORUM 2025

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**PSYCHIATRIC INJURIES: A PERSPECTIVE FROM THE BAR AND THE BENCH  
- ALEXANDER WARD AM**

**THE RISE OF POST-CONCUSSION SYNDROME - HOW DO WE DIAGNOSE IT AND  
HOW DO WE MANAGE IT? A PERSPECTIVE FROM A NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST &  
PSYCHIATRIST - DR SARA LUCAS & DR SHIVA GUNAPU**



**Mr Alex Ward AM**  
**BARRISTER**

President of the Law Council of Australia in 2011, Alexander Ward has over 30 years' experience as a solicitor and now barrister. Mr Ward was President of the Law Society of South Australia in 2004-05. He has practised at Edmund Barton Chambers since 2002. He practises in civil litigation, particularly accident cases, fraud cases and complicated liability issues in addition to insurance law, Workers Compensation and military law. Mr Ward is a Part Time Member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.



**Dr Sara Lucas**  
**NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST**

Dr Sara Lucas is a Clinical Neuropsychologist with over 25 years of experience, including seven years at Westmead Hospital providing neuropsychological assessments in inpatient and outpatient settings. She specialises in the assessment of dementia, capacity, and cognitive effects of brain injury and psychiatric conditions. Dr Lucas has extensive medicolegal expertise, conducting evaluations for CTP and worker's compensation claims, fitness for duty, and rehabilitation.



**Dr Shiva Gunapu**  
**PSYCHIATRIST**

Dr Shiva Gunapu is a psychiatrist with a strong interest in workplace mental health and injury-related issues. With a deep commitment to improving psychological wellbeing, he founded Mindspeak in 2021 to provide accessible mental health support to individuals and tailored training programs for businesses and organisations. Through Mindspeak, Dr Gunapu focuses on building resilience, promoting mental wellness, and fostering healthier, more supportive work environments.

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