Professor Ken Kirkby, FRANZCP Professor of Psychiatry, University of Tasmania & Senior Clinical Advisor, DHHS Tasmania, HOBART

Professor Ken Kirkby is a past president of RANZCP, has served as Chair of the bi-national Committee for Training and the CME Committee, and the Tasmanian Branch Committee. He has also been the convenor of the scientific program for two College Congresses, 1994 and 2003 respectively, as well as the program co-chair in 2012.

Prof Kirkby has served as Tasmania's Chief Psychiatrist, as a Board member of beyondblue, and on the Australian Rotary Health Grant Panel.

His personal research interests include computer-aided behaviour electronic health records, therapy for anxiety disorders, epidemiology and genetics of psychoses, outcome measurement, psychopharmacology of amnesia, and the history of psychiatry.

As his involvement with the College demonstrates, he also has a longstanding interest in training and continuing education.

Prof Kirkby is supporting the Australian Genetics of Bipolar Disorder

Study – a ground-breaking international collaboration exploring the genetic risk factors associated with the illness, and how genes influence one's response to treatment.

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To coordinate an interview with Prof Ken Kirkby, please contact Kirsten Bruce or Holly Hamilton from VIVA! Communications on 0401 717 566 / 0434 799 839.

