

MEDIA RELEASE

Grace Lethlean receives Emerging Women in Leadership Award

Friday 11 May 2018, Melbourne, Australia—ANDHealth's Director, Programs, Ms Grace Lethlean has been awarded the prestigious BioMelbourne Network's Emerging Women in Leadership Award.

This award recognises Grace's exceptional leadership within and contribution to, Victoria's growing health and medical technology industry.

"I am delighted to see Grace's contribution to our industry recognized in this way. Both at ANDHealth and in her prior roles, she has consistently delivered significant technical and commercial outcomes. She is an extraordinary individual who is generous with her time and knowledge, as well as being a passionate champion of medical and healthcare innovation. We at ANDHealth are extremely proud of her achievements, and her recognition by this award, and look forward to her future successes," said Ms Bronwyn Le Grice, Managing Director of ANDHealth.

In her role, Ms Lethlean leads ANDHealth's midstage program for digital health companies, ANDHealth+, where her passion, expertise, drive, and collaborative approach have been key in supporting digital health companies across Australia to move closer to investment readiness and commercialization.

"I am thrilled to receive this award. Thank you to BioMelbourne Network. It is fantastic that younger women, who are not yet at the helm of a company, can be recognized for their hard work and contribution to the industry. I am lucky to work with a team of extraordinary people and to work alongside other female leaders such as our Managing Director Bronwyn Le Grice, Chair Dr Anna Lavelle and Director, Lusia Guthrie. I am grateful to my colleagues past and present, and my family for their ongoing support," said Ms Lethlean.

Ms Lethlean, a medical scientist and chemical engineer by training, has been at the front line of biotechnology commercialisation since 2012. She joined ANDHealth in March 2017 and currently holds positions on the Victorian Government's Advanced Manufacturing Council, the Centre for Eye Research Australia's Innovation Fund Committee and as an Adjunct Senior Lecturer at Monash University.

The award is one of three Women in Leadership Awards given out annually by BioMelbourne Network and includes the Women in Leadership Award, Most Valuable Women in Leadership Award, and the Emerging Women in Leadership Award which recognises rising stars with high potential for future success.

About ANDHealth

ANDHealth is a unique non- profit industry-led organisation focused on strengthening the Australian digital health ecosystem and de-risking innovations in digital health, with a focus on clinical evidence, commercialisation and investment readiness.

ANDHealth is comprised of a consortium of industry and government partners, with foundation members drawn from industry leaders nationally and internationally including Novartis Pharmaceuticals, Planet Innovation, Curve Tomorrow, GP2U, RMIT University, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, AusBiotech, HealthXL, and HPM Executive and matching funding provided by Federal Government Industry Growth Centre MTPConnect.



About ANDHealth+

The ANDHealth+ program is focused on assisting Australian mid-stage digital health companies to meet key investor, partner and customer requirements around clinical and commercial validation. The program is unique in that it requires no equity consideration and that each cohort company's advisory panel and project is tailored specifically to that company.

ANDHealth+ staff and advisors meet strict criteria – they must demonstrate hands-on experience in: product development of a market ready product which is evidenced based and has a sustainable business model; negotiation of a significant (preferably international) commercial agreement between two or more parties, where at least one party is from industry; and/or raising of a significant amount of capital for one or more digital health companies.

Companies which are successful in their application to ANDHealth+ are supported by a bespoke advisory panel drawn from ANDHealth members and networks. In addition, ANDHealth contributes A\$60,000 to securing relevant third-party expertise and cohort companies also benefit from significant in-kind offerings, including media & communications, insurance, human resources, intellectual property and legal support.

ANDHealth+ is open for applications until 31 May 2018.

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