2026 Comcare National Conference

14–16 September 2026
Canberra

A people-first approach to workplace health and safety

HSR Engagement Program
Information pack

Invitation

Comcare invites Health and Safety Representatives (HSRs) to the **2026 Comcare National Conference**.

This information pack provides details about the conference, how HSRs can access discounted tickets along with the application process and terms and conditions.

About the Conference

The Comcare National Conference is our biennial premier event uniting over 900 leaders and professionals from across Australia to explore the latest innovation and research in workplace safety, compensation and rehabilitation.

The 2026 conference will be held on from Monday 14 – Wednesday 16 September at the National Convention Centre in Canberra under the theme *A people-first approach to workplace health and safety*. Through engaging sessions and discussion, we'll explore how wellbeing, inclusion, and empowerment create the foundation for safe and thriving workplaces.

Program highlights

Monday 14 September

- Exclusive Workshop afternoon
- Welcome Reception – connect with partners, exhibitors, and delegates in a relaxed setting

Tuesday 15 September

- Gala Dinner at the National Museum of Australia - an unforgettable evening at an iconic Canberra venue

HSR Engagement Program

The HSR Engagement Program is aimed at providing development and networking opportunities to HSRs working within the Comcare scheme.

Comcare is offering employers the opportunity to purchase **two tickets for the price of one on a two-day full conference registration**. This reduces the ticket price from $1,990.00 to $995.00 (inclusive of GST) per HSR.

Inclusions:

- Access to all conference sessions across 3 days
- Opportunity to network with delegates and conference partners in the Exhibition Hall
- A dedicated **HSR Connect** session to be held during the pre-conference workshop afternoon on Monday 14 September
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea on Tuesday 15 September and Wednesday 16 September
- A ticket to the Conference Dinner being held at the National Museum of Australia on Tuesday 15 September.

All additional expenses including transport, accommodation, meals, transfers and incidentals are to be covered by the successful HSR's organisation (in adherence to their organisation's travel policy).

Selection criteria

We ask that all HSR delegations are selected in consultation with their organisation's health and safety committee.

Applicants must be:

- A current HSR at an organisation that is covered by the Comcare scheme.
- A subscriber to Comcare's HSR network. This is easy to do through this Comcare HSR Network subscription link.

At the conference, we encourage HSRs to attend the dedicated **HSR Connect** session, which will include networking time. There will also be an opportunity for delegates to participate in a short informal interview (optional) to discuss their experience at the conference as an HSR - we would love to hear your feedback!

Application process

We ask that your organisation's health and safety committee (or equivalent) gathers nominations collectively.

Please provide the names and email addresses of nominated HSRs to conference@comcare.gov.au by **5.00 pm AEST Tuesday 4 August**.

Due to the limited availability of tickets, we will ensure an equal number of discounts are applied across agencies who have expressed interest.

If your nominations are successful, instructions on how to complete an online registration will be provided, including a final payment date.

If you have any questions about the program or process, please contact conference@comcare.gov.au.

Terms and conditions

- Nominations require written endorsement by the organisation's work health and safety unit or equivalent.
- Discount codes are unique to the individual HSR.
- In the event that a nominated HSR is unable to attend the conference due to leave, illness, injury or because they are no longer employed at the original organisation, you may transfer their registration to another HSR from your agency.
- Comcare will require notification in writing with a minimum of 72 hours' notice to assess the proposed replacement. Registration transfers made before/on Tuesday 11 August 2026 will not incur any cost penalty. Registration transfers made after 5.00pm AEST Tuesday 11 August 2026 will incur a $110 processing fee.

Disclaimer

The conference program and registration information is correct at the time of production. The organisers reserve the right to change information or vary activities where necessary.

Comcare reserves the right to alter the date and/or cancel the 2026 Comcare National Conference due to unforeseen circumstances beyond its control and/or if minimum numbers are not reached.

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