



Cordial invitation to the LiDS Lunch Lecture with Brynn Quick

The Monolingual Habitus of Australian Healthcare Policy

Linguistic minority medical patients often experience worse health outcomes than their linguistic majority counterparts, in large part due to the language barriers between them and linguistic majority healthcare staff. In our upcoming LiDS Lunch Lecture, Brynn Quick will delve into the monolingual habitus prevalent within Australian healthcare policy. Despite established policies advocating for the use of professional medical interpreters to enhance communication, these essential resources remain underutilized in healthcare settings. To uncover the reasons behind this issue, Brynn conducted an in-depth analysis of policies regarding the management of linguistic diversity within Australian medical institutions. In this presentation, she will share her significant findings and insights.

Join us for this exciting presentation, which will not only enhance the understanding of healthcare policies beyond Germany but also illuminate potential pitfalls inherent in these frameworks. We look forward to seeing you there!



Brynn Quick holds a Master of Applied Linguistics and Master of Research from Macquarie University. She is currently undertaking her PhD candidature and is investigating how language barriers are bridged between patients and staff in Australian healthcare contexts. Her linguistic interests are many and varied, and include sociolinguistics, anthropological linguistics, sociophonetics and historical linguistics, particularly the history of English. She is a member of the Language on the Move research team and also a co-producer/frequent host of the Language on the Move Podcast.

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