



Conference Program & Speakers

DAY 1 - Monday 20th October 2008				
8.00	REGISTRATION			
9.00	WELCOME - THEATRE Senator the Hon Jan McLucas , Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing launching Asthma in Australia 2008 Report.			
9.30	KEYNOTE 1 - THEATRE: Asthma in Australia 2008 – Where Are We Now? SPEAKER: Ms Leanne Poulos is from the Australian Centre for Asthma Monitoring (ACAM), which is a collaborating unit of the Australian Institute of Health & Welfare. ACAM is funded to reduce the burden of asthma in Australia by developing, collating and interpreting data relevant to asthma prevention, management and health policy. Leanne has thirteen years experience in asthma-related research, and has been a member of the ACAM team since its establishment in 2002.			Research Stream
10.20	MORNING TEA			
10.50	KEYNOTE 2 - THEATRE: Living With Asthma: Priorities For Research To Address Patient Needs SPEAKER: Associate Professor Helen Reddel is a leading international expert who carries out her clinical research at the Woolcock Institute of Medical Research. Helen also runs a multi-disciplinary asthma clinic at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney. A member of the Scientific Committee of the Global Initiative for Asthma (GINA), Helen also co-chairs an international Task Force providing recommendations for the assessment of asthma control and exacerbations in clinical trials and clinical practice. Helen is the voluntary Medical Director of Asthma Foundation NSW.			Research Stream
11.30	CONCURRENT SESSION 1 - THEATRE <i>Research Stream</i> Topic 1: Research In Childhood Asthma: Where Have We Been And Where Are We Going? Speaker: Professor Peter Sly Head of Division of Clinical Sciences, Telethon Institute for Child Health Research in Western Australia. Topic 2: Asthma And Anaphylaxis – Double Trouble! Speaker: Professor Connie Katelaris. Professor, Immunology & Allergy, University of Western Sydney and Senior Staff Specialist in the Sydney South West Area Health Service.		CONCURRENT SESSION 2 - ROOM 7 <i>Research Stream</i> Topic 1: The Future Of Asthma Research For Adults With Asthma Speaker: Professor Peter Gibson School of Medical Practice and Population Health University of Newcastle. Topic 2: Combination Therapy Update Speaker: Clinical Associate Professor Matthew Peters Respiratory Physician, Concord Clinical School at the University of Sydney.	
12.30	LUNCH			
1.40	KEYNOTE 3 - THEATRE: The Future Of Health Policy In Australia SPEAKER: Professor Stephen Leeder (AO) is Professor of Public Health and Community Medicine at The University of Sydney. He is the Director of the Australian Health Policy Institute, which provides authoritative, independent, non-partisan analysis of major health policy questions confronting Australian and international health systems. He is also co-director of the Menzies Centre for Health Policy, a joint enterprise with The Australian National University.			Health Policy Stream
2.20	KEYNOTE 4 - THEATRE: The Future of Asthma Health Policy in Australia: A National Perspective SPEAKER: Associate Professor Rosemary Knight is the Principal Adviser/Chronic Diseases, Primary and Ambulatory Care Division within the Department of Health and Ageing. She was previously the Head of the School of Public Health and Community Medicine within the Faculty of Medicine at the University of New South Wales. Her special interest is in chronic diseases and the National Priority Health Areas especially cancer, health policy and health services research with a focus on translating evidence into practice.			Health Policy Stream
3.00	AFTERNOON TEA			
3.30	FREE PAPERS 1 – THEATRE 3.30 - Asthma Campaign Improves Health Outcomes – Michele Goldman 3.50 - Empowering Parents And Carers Of Asthmatic Children With The Use Of Information Technology And Digital Media Through A Collaborative Model Of Care - Georgina Paterson 4.10 - Unique Training Package: E-learning Program And Tutorial On Smoking Cessation Interventions For Health Professionals – Tracey Marshall 4.30 - Collaboration In Asthma Self-management Education Between Community And Acute Care – Emma Hardy	FREE PAPERS 2 – ROOM 7 3.30 - Impacts Of Climate Change On Aeroallergens And Asthma – Paul Beggs 3.50 - Consumer Engagement – Asthma Foundation NSW – Rachael White 4.10 - Foundations For Asthma Aware Australia – Evaluation Directed Impact - Tony Healy 4.30 - The A-Team®: A National Asthma Education Program - Judi Wicking	FREE PAPERS 3 – ROOM 5C 3.30 - Efficacy Of A Short Course Of Parent-initiated Oral Prednisolone For Episodes Of Acute Asthma In Children Aged 5-13 Years: A Randomised Controlled Trial - Peter Vuillermin 3.50 - Anxiety Is More Common In Children With Asthma: A Cross-sectional Survey - Peter Vuillermin 4.10 - Patient-reporting Of Side Effects Of Inhaled Corticosteroids Is Influenced By Personality - Juliet Foster 4.30 - Playing The H.A.R.P: Partnerships For Group Asthma Education – Craig Moore	FREE PAPERS 4 – ROOM 9A 3.30 - The Use Of Pharmacy Medication Records To Prompt GP Referral Of Patients With Suboptimal Asthma Management - Bonnie Bereznicki 3.50 - Pharmacists' Perceptions Of Their Role In Asthma Management And Barriers To The Provision Of Asthma Services – Vicky Kritikos 4.10 - Spirometry Following Bronchodilator In General Practice – Michael Abramson 4.30 - What Actions Do GPs Take After Viewing Spirometry Results Of Their Asthma Patients? - Christine Holton
4.50	CONCURRENT SESSION 3 - ROOM 5C <i>Consumer Stream</i> Topic: Your Asthma Foundation – An Update On Programs And Services Speakers: Asthma Foundation representatives will outline current services and plans.	CONCURRENT SESSION 4 - ROOM 7 <i>Information Technology Stream</i> Topic: E-Health: Shaping The Future Of Healthcare Speaker: Dr Hugh Greville Respiratory Physician & Clinical Director of Cystic Fibrosis South Australia.	CONCURRENT SESSION 5 - THEATRE <i>Clinical Stream Part 1</i> AAREA Partner session Topics: What Do I Tell People With Asthma About Asthma Control And Severity? Speakers: Associate Professor Helen Reddel and Clinical Professor Christine Jenkins , thoracic physician at Concord Hospital, Sydney.	
5.30	WELCOME RECEPTION (5.30 - 7.30)			



DAY 2 - Tuesday 21st October 2008

7.30	REGISTRATION		
7.30	BREAKFAST MEETING - ROOM 7 <i>Clinical Stream Part 2, AAREA Partner Session</i> Topics: What Do I Tell People With Asthma About Asthma Medications? - The Child Perspective; What Do I Tell Adults With Asthma About Asthma Medications?; What Do I Tell People With Asthma About Asthma Pathophysiology? SPEAKERS: include Associate Professor Adam Jaffe , Head of Respiratory at Sydney Children's Hospital in Randwick, Dr Lucy Morgan , Specialist in Respiratory Medicine at Concord Hospital and Dr Brent McParland , Discipline of Pharmacology, University of Sydney.		
9.00	WELCOME - THEATRE		
9.10	KEYNOTE 5 - THEATRE: Air Pollution And Respiratory Disease – via videoconference <i>Air Quality Stream</i> SPEAKER: Professor Bert Brunekreef has a PhD in environmental epidemiology. After a sabbatical at Harvard School of Public Health, he was promoted to full professor in environmental health in Wageningen in the Netherlands in 1993. He is currently director of the Institute for Risk Assessment Sciences at Utrecht University, has co-authored over 300 peer reviewed publications and has served frequently on national and international advisory boards.		
9.50	KEYNOTE 6 - THEATRE: Athletes With Asthma At The Beijing Olympic Games: A Post Games Review Of The Medical, Environmental And Performance Aspects <i>Air Quality Stream</i> SPEAKER: Professor Ken Fitch is a sports physician who works at the School of Sport Science, Exercise and Health in the Faculty of Life Science of the University of Western Australia. He has been the Chairman of the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Independent Asthma Panel since 2001 and is Chairman of the IOC's Air Quality Asthma Panel 2007. He has been a recent regular media commentator on asthma and air quality issues leading up to the Beijing Games.		
10.20	MORNING TEA		
10.50	KEYNOTE 7 - THEATRE: Civil Society 2.0 - Fad Or Future? <i>Information Technology Stream</i> SPEAKER: Mr Martin Stewart-Weeks has extensive consulting experience in strategy, policy analysis, facilitation and market and social research. Martin's current work with the Internet Business Solutions Group at Cisco Systems focuses primarily on the public sector. Martin is currently working on the implications for government and civil society of the rise of Web 2.0 social networking technologies and capabilities.		
11.25	CONCURRENT SESSION 6 - THEATRE <i>Clinical Stream Part 3, AAREA Partner Session</i> Topics: What Do I Tell People With Asthma About Exercise?; Smoking: A New Softer Approach For Asthmatics Who Smoke Speakers: Professor Peter Van Asperen is Head of the Department of Respiratory Medicine at The Children's Hospital, Westmead and Macintosh Professor of Paediatric Respiratory Medicine at The University of Sydney. Associate Professor Renee Bittoun is Director of the Smoking Research Unit at The University of Sydney and the Editor in Chief of The Journal of Smoking Cessation.	CONCURRENT SESSION 7 - ROOM 5C <i>Consumer Stream</i> Topic: Do You Or Your Family Know What To Do In An Asthma Emergency? Speakers: Ms Rosie Yalland , Information Services Manager, Asthma Foundation NSW, and Dr Lucy Morgan .	CONCURRENT SESSION 8 - ROOM 7 <i>Health Policy Stream</i> Topic: Indigenous Australians And Respiratory Health Speaker: Associate Professor Graeme Maguire - With a PhD in Aboriginal Australian respiratory health, Professor Maguire provides a specialist outreach service to Cape York, an inpatient service at Cairns Base Hospital and support to other projects across northern Australia.
12.25	LUNCH		
1.45	KEYNOTE 8 - THEATRE: Asthma And Obesity: An Intimate Relationship Or Just A Lot Of Heavy Breathing? <i>Research Stream</i> SPEAKER: Dr Cheryl Salome has more than twenty-five years of experience in research in the area of asthma, focused on the causes and mechanisms of the disease. She has published 98 research papers, and has held grants from the NHMRC and Asthma Foundation NSW. Currently, she is the leader of the Airway Physiology research unit at the Woolcock Institute of Medical Research and a Research Fellow in the Discipline of Medicine, The University of Sydney.		
2.20	KEYNOTE 9 - THEATRE: Allergens And Asthma <i>Research Stream</i> SPEAKER: Dr Euan Tovey has spent much of his professional life studying allergens; developing methods for collecting, measuring and identifying them, examining methods for reducing exposure and being involved in projects to determine their role in the cause of asthma and how exposure makes asthma worse. More recently he has established an interest in measuring other non-allergen environmental components that are also involved in asthma.		
2.50	KEYNOTE 10 - THEATRE: Bench Science: A Key To Solving Asthma? <i>Research Stream</i> SPEAKER: Dr Janette Burgess is the National Health and Medical Research Centre R.D Wright Fellow and Senior Lecturer in the Respiratory Research Group in the Pharmacology School at The University of Sydney.		
3.15	AFTERNOON TEA		
3.45	Advancing Asthma Where? Panel Discussion - THEATRE Julie McCrossin will facilitate the panel and the audience in identifying key themes and ideas from the two days to shape a shared response to the central challenge - advancing asthma where?		
5.00	CONFERENCE CLOSING CEREMONY - THEATRE		

Program Key	
Administration	Clinical Stream
Breaks	Health Policy Stream
Research Stream	Air Quality Stream
Info Technology Stream	Consumer Stream



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