

Aboriginal ear disease

A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY STUDY DAY

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Introduction

The management of Aboriginal ear disease remains a major health problem in Australia. It involves a multi-disciplinary approach and significant infra-structure. The delivery of services varies widely across States and Territories and in many areas, it is fair to say that there has been little or no progress over recent years. This study day is designed to bring together ENT surgeons, GPs, nurses, Aboriginal health workers, audiologists, teachers and many other workers involved in the management of ear health. We will be debating contentious clinical issues, highlighting areas of success, learning lessons from failures and attempting to build a consensus view as to how service delivery can be improved in the future. We hope this will be a “not to be missed” study day and look forward to your attendance.

Outline

A review of current and recommended care pathways for the management of chronic otitis media in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Learning outcomes

To learn about the current epidemiology of Aboriginal ear disease in Australia.

To learn about how services are currently provided in each of the States and Territories of Australia.

To establish research priorities for future work.

To critically analyse current models of care and propose new treatment algorithms.

Program

09.00	Welcome and Introduction
09.15	Indigenous ear disease: a political viewpoint: <i>Speaker TBC</i>
09.30	“The state of the nation” – an overview of current COM treatment services: WA: <i>Harvey Coates</i> NSW: <i>Kelvin Kong</i> QLD: <i>David Cronin</i> SA: <i>Simon Carney</i> NT: <i>Gus Hunter</i> VIC: <i>Stephen O’Leary</i>
10.30	Coffee
11.00	The urban problem: <i>Kelvin Kong</i>
11.15	Regional practice: <i>Evan Matthews</i>
11.30	OATSIH Guidelines: <i>Speaker TBC</i>
12.00	Outcomes from the NT Intervention: <i>Hemi Patel</i>
12.20	Group discussion
12.45	Lunch
13.30	CIRCA – targeting service delivery: <i>Judith Boswell</i>
13.50	Providing Services to Indigenous Populations: <i>The Deadly Ears Team</i>
14.20	Before the Audiogram: <i>Lou Leidwinger</i>
14.35	Audiological services: <i>Sam Harkus</i>
15.00	Coffee
15.15	Free papers
16.00	Research into COM: <i>Stephen O’Leary</i>
16.15	Clinical panel discussion
17.00	Conclusions and final comments

Faculty

Mr Geoffrey Angeles
Dr Judith Boswell
Prof A Simon Carney
Prof Harvey Coates
Dr David Cronin
Ms Sam Harkus
Dr Gus Hunter
Dr Evan Mathews
A/Prof Kelvin Kong
Mr Lou Leidwinger
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