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National Acquired Brain Injury Conference

Improving choice, quality and service delivery for the changing needs of people living with an ABI

8 – 9 November 2016 | Royal Rehab, Ryde, Sydney

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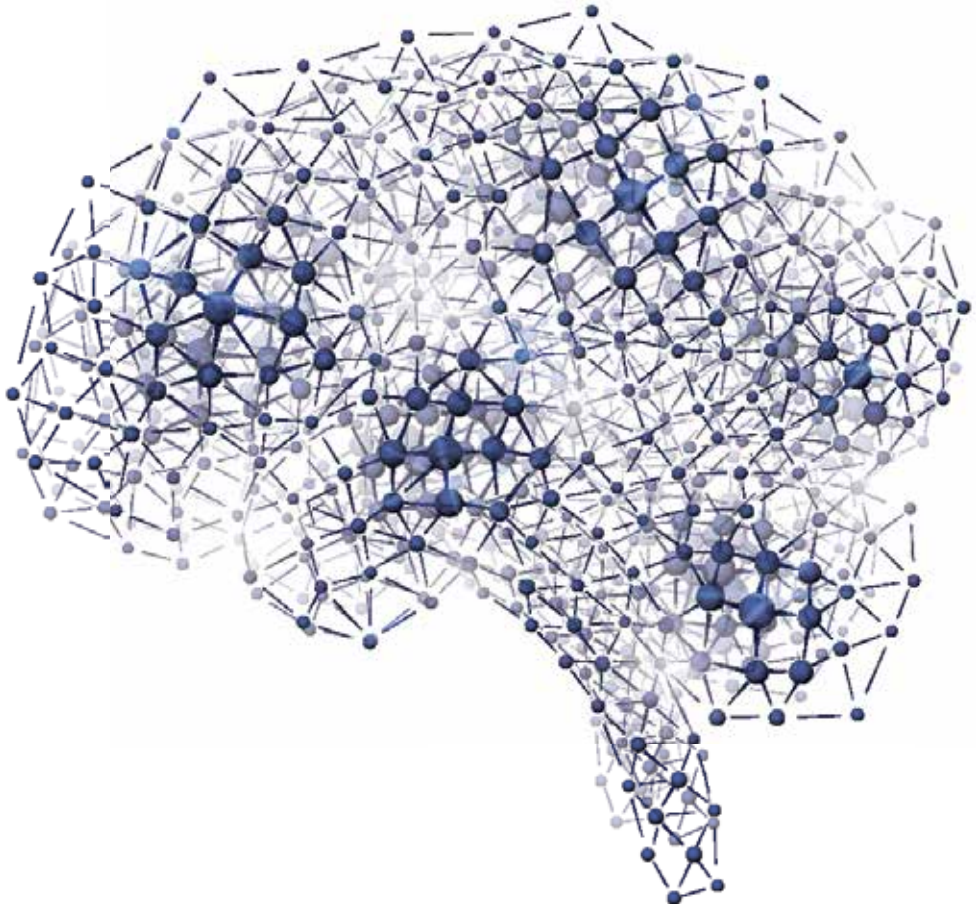
INTERNATIONAL KEYNOTE PRESENTATION:

Barry Willer, *Ph.D. Professor,*
University at Buffalo, USA
TBI as a chronic condition - Short & long term consequences

2016 HIGHLIGHTS:

- Paediatric ABI - Service provision recommendations for return to school
- Embrace technology to enhance recovery, engage & motivate clients
- Challenges of receiving & providing a care program at home
- Specific goal driven neurological rehabilitation
- Collaboration & cooperation between services
- Concussion - Evaluation, management & education
- Alcohol & drug related brain injury
- TBI & family violence
- Aphasia awareness – Consumer driven initiative
- Person centred partnership to enable full engagement in life
- Health disability interface implication for NDIS
- Lived experience based peer support programs in an NDIS world
- Workforce issues & training for disability support workers
- Resilience, participation & belonging post ABI
- Vocational opportunities & increase coping skills & self-confidence



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National Acquired Brain Injury Conference

Tuesday 8 November 2016

DAY 1

8:30 Registration & Coffee

9:00 **Opening Remarks from the Chair**

Nick Rushworth, *Executive Officer*, **Brain Injury Australia**

9:10 **WELCOME ADDRESS**

Stephen Lowndes, *CEO*, **Royal Rehab, Ryde, Sydney**

9:20 **OPENING ADDRESS | The effects of brain injury on mental health**

Robyn Cetinich, Parent

9:50 **INTERNATIONAL KEYNOTE PRESENTATION**

TBI as a Chronic Condition - Short & Long Term Consequences

- Severe TBI is marked by progressive decline in health & cognition
- Recent evidence suggests that TBI involves progressive neurodegeneration
- There is high prevalence of neuroendocrine dysfunction after TBI affecting multiple aspects of health
- Life expectance after severe TBI is substantially less robust than we assumed

Barry Willer, *Ph.D. Professor,* **University at Buffalo, USA**

10:40 Morning Tea & Networking

11:10 **Paediatric ABI – Service Provision Recommendations for Return to School**

- Problems that children experience following a TBI
- Importance of active engagement in education system as an important part of a child's life
- Typical problems experienced returning children to the school system following ABI
- Practical approach to developing educational guidelines for children with ABI
- Moving towards approaches for greater integration between hospital & school

Audrey McKinlay, *Senior Lecturer*, **University of Melbourne**

11:50 **Embracing Technology to Enhance Recovery**

- Recent technological developments in robotic devices & neuroprosthetics improve motor function & participation in children with ABI's when incorporated within a neuroplasticity based framework
- Results from our Robotic program & case studies to demonstrate innovative techniques & positive outcomes for children attending sub-acute tertiary rehabilitation in WA

Dr Jane Valentine, *Head of Dep't Paediatric Rehabilitation*, **Princess Margaret Hospital**; *Associate Professor*, **University of WA**

12:30 Lunch & Networking

1:30 **Treating with Technology - The 5 W's (What, Why, Who, Where & When)**

- Utilising modern technology to improve outcomes for neurologically injured clients is now common practice worldwide, especially in young people
- These new practices keep clients engaged, motivated & eager to return for more therapy
- Repetitive therapy is no longer boring so why are we not providing these services in Australia?
- Case studies of amazing progress using such devices with clients will be discussed – you be the judge

Vicki Abraham, *Managing Director / Occupational Therapist*, **Abraham OT Services Pty Ltd**

2:10 **Extended Rehabilitation Services for People with Severe ABI**

Jacinta Douglas, *PhD, Professor of Acquired Brain Injury (Summer Foundation Chair, Living Well with Brain Injury), Living with Disability Research Centre, School of Allied Health*, **La Trobe University**

Co-presenter to be advised

2:50 Afternoon Tea & Networking

3:20 **Facing the Challenges of Distance Head On – Collaboration & Cooperation Between Services**

- Outcomes of an Indigenous male with an ABI residing in a small community
- Challenges encountered & innovative problem solving
- Specific goal driven neurological rehabilitation to improve quality of life
- Financial & logistical constraints, transfer of knowledge, acquisition of equipment, maintaining client's connection to home & community, & retaining service viability

Adelene Yap, *Rehabilitation Coordinator*, **Brightwater Care Group**

4:00 **How to Cope with a Stranger in your Lounge Room – Challenges of Receiving & Providing a Care Program at Home**

- Intervention from multidisciplinary team members to address & mediate, when the needs of clients & their families are incompatible with the objectives & requirements of the care agencies & support workers going into their homes
- Tension that exists between having a private home & workplace as a shared environment
- Case studies - Issues that arise when working with complex psycho-social dynamics
- Consideration of a framework to prevent the breakdown of care programs rather than relying on crisis intervention

Samantha Grant, *Director - Senior Clinical Psychologist,* **inspire rehab & psychology**

Robina Moubarak, *Senior Social Worker, Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit Community Team*, **Liverpool Hospital**

4:40 Closing Remarks from the Chair, followed by Networking Drinks

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DAY 2

8:30 Registration & Coffee

9:00 Opening Remarks from the Chair

9:10 **Concussion in Australia – Evaluation, Management & Education**

— How concussion is viewed in Australia & media – Current research & understanding

— How concussion is evaluated & managed in Australia – Issues & considerations

— How common is Post-concussive syndrome?

— The future of concussion management – Discussion & suggestions

— Mission & strategies of Concussion Australia

Laura Anderson, *Neuropsychologist & President*, **Concussion Australia**

9:50 **Alcohol & Drug Related Brain Injury**

— The nature of alcohol related brain injury over the whole lifespan

— Which illicit drugs cause brain injury

— How we can predict who is likely to sustain substance-related brain injury

— Practical approaches to management of alcohol & drug related brain injury currently

— Moving forwards, what approaches to management of alcohol & drug related brain injury we need to be working towards

A/Prof Yvonne Bonomo, *Physician in Addiction Medicine & Adolescent Medicine; Director, Department of Addiction Medicine,*
St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne; University of Melbourne

10:30 Morning Tea & Networking

11:00 **PANEL DISCUSSION**

The Overlap Between TBI & Family Violence

— How many women experience brain injury as a result of family violence? Is anyone counting?

— Is it a plausible hypothesis that brain injury can predispose some people to commit violent acts? Does brain injury increase the propensity to commit family violence?

— Despite the increased likelihood that a family violence survivor has a history of brain injury, why is it not standard practice for shelters to screen for TBI?

— What role does brain injury play in the inability for some women to leave violent relationships?

— Why are there no meaningful estimates of the number of children with brain injury caused by violence? What are some of the possible short & long-term repercussions of this?

In addition to raising public awareness about the overlap between TBI & violence, this panel will discuss ways to better identify & assist persons who experience violence.

Deborah Byrne, *Executive Officer,* **Brain Injury Association of Tasmania**

Dr Janine Martin, *Neuropsychologist*

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11:40 **TAAD: The Aphasia Awareness Delegation. Three Rotarians, Three Brain Injury Recoveries, One Message**

— International studies suggest that community awareness of Aphasia remains low. The repercussions of low aphasia awareness extend beyond the individual to the broader community

— TAAD is a 100% consumer driven initiative. People with Aphasia still have plenty to say

— TAAD's goal is simple – to use an existing community network to make people aware of Aphasia. The response has been overwhelming

Colleen Kerr, *Certified Practising Speech Pathologist; Member,* **Speech Pathology Australia**; Director, **Optimal Speech Pathology**

Sean O'Brien, *Consumer*

Dianne Finch, *Consumer*

Bernard Chandra, *Consumer*

12:20 Lunch & Networking

1:10 **Systems & Success – Living Life Fully 20 Years Post Severe ABI as Non-Verbal & with Multiple Disabilities**

A long term case study demonstrating -

— Managing change over 20 years

— Analysis & response to spasticity triggers

— Long term procedural learning to minimise spastic patterns

— Systems approach using person centred partnership to enable full engagement in life

— Health disability interface implication for NDIS

— Improving collaboration & cooperation between services

Margaret Darcy, **Private Community Physiotherapist**

Mary Nolan AM, *Parent & Member of* **Inability Possibility Inc.**

1:50 **Self- Directed Support – The Benefits & Challenges from My Six Year Journey**

— The NDIS will encourage self-directed/ self-management of supports

— Share experiences of doing this for a family member who has high & complex support needs as a result of a catastrophic ABI from a rural/ remote perspective

— Person centred care & support

— Community based rehabilitation

— Workforce issues & training for disability support workers

Leslee Hogan, *Parent/ Carer & Support Co-ordinator,*
White Crane Collective

2:30 Afternoon Tea & Networking

2:50 **Resilience, Participation & Belonging Post ABI - Lived Experience Based Peer Support Programs & their Applicability in an NDIS World**

— Key research projects underpinning the developed model – Building approach, evaluations, findings & evolution

— Consumer perspectives (we are member led)

— Local initiatives backed by research

— Promoting self-advocacy in NDIS

— Innovative models of care

— Support for family & carers

Dr Jennifer Farnden, *Manager,* **Families4Families Incorporated**

3:30 **SSAYiT – Supporting SA Youth Initiative Transition Program**

Engaging people with ABI or other disability that impacts cognitive functioning to:

— Explore vocational aspiration

— Develop skills to be confident

— Reduce barriers, increase coping skills & self-confidence

— Maximise capacity & real-world functioning; &

— Enhance mental wellbeing & functioning

Amy Ambagtsheer, *Program Coordinator,* **Brain Injury SA**

4:10 Closing Remarks from the Chair & Close of the Conference

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