



SUPPORT GROUP NETWORK



EIGHTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CJD CONFERENCE

SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2015

8.30am – 5.00pm

Conference Dinner 7.00pm

GENETIC FAMILY MEETING

Friday 13th November 2015 2.30pm

This meeting is for genetic family members or those wanting to understand more about testing. A safe environment to ask questions and support each other.

Venue **Jasper Hotel**

489 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne Vic 3000
03 8327 2727

Please join us for a day of bonding, awareness and knowledge!

A conference on Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) and other prion diseases for:

CJD family members

People at increased risk of developing CJD

Health care professionals involved in patient care or infection prevention and control

For CJD family members this is an opportunity to meet with other family members, share your stories, get answers to those outstanding questions from world experts, find out what research is happening and how you can help by raising funds, promoting awareness and educating your local health care professionals.

For those at increased risk of developing CJD an update on iatrogenic (medically acquired CJD) and expert advice on how the CJD infection control guidelines affect you.

For health care professionals this is an opportunity to learn more about CJD and prion disease or help by sharing your knowledge and experience. We need champions who help promote awareness and knowledge and those of you who attend our conference are our champions.

PROGRAM

Morning Program includes presentations

Cannibals, Cows and CJD – the Real Story!

What is CJD – from the eyes of an experienced clinician

International research and world collaborations

Surveillance in Australia and an update on what is happening here

Complexity and the needs of genetic families

Research in Australia – update

What your fundraising for CJD research has achieved

Afternoon Program

Workshops – short presentations with audience participation

Care of a patient – the challenges

The importance of neuropathy in CJD cases

Genetic testing – the hard decision

CJD the issues around Infection prevention and control

Round Tables – to meet individually with the speakers and experts to ask those one on one questions.

KEY SPEAKERS



Professor Robert Will – Edinburgh, UK

Professor of Clinical Neurology at the Department of Clinical Neurosciences, Western General Hospital Edinburgh, UK. Former director and founder of the National CJD Surveillance Unit, UK. Member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance



Associate Professor Brian Appleby – Cleveland, USA

Dr. Appleby is a neuropsychiatrist with clinical and research interests in prion diseases (e.g., Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease) and young-onset dementias. He is co-director of the National Prion Disease Pathology Surveillance Center at Case Western Reserve University and co-medical director of the CJD Foundation and a member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance



Dr Kevin Keough – Alberta, Canada

Executive Director of the Alberta Prion Research Institute. Emeritus Professor of Biochemistry, Memorial University of Newfoundland Former Chief Scientist, Health Canada, Government of Canada Member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance



Professor Steven Collins – Melbourne, Australia

Director of the Australian National CJD Registry Neurologist and Principal Research Fellow, University of Melbourne Medical Director of the CJD Support Group Network Member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance



Professor Andrew Hill – Melbourne, Australia

Head, Department of Biochemistry and Genetics, Director, RFA Understanding Disease College of Science, Health and Engineering School of Molecular Sciences La Trobe Institute for Molecular Science Member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance



Deana Simpson RN – Detroit, USA

Deana Simpson received her associate degree in nursing from Ferris State University, her BA Magna Cum Laude from Oakland University and is currently pursuing her Masters in Nursing. Her involvement with CJD is one of a personal nature. Her mother died of familial CJD at the young age of 64 (1998), a brother at 57 (2012) and her family has lost 14 family members spanning five generations to the disease. Founder and director of CJD Insight, member of the CJD Foundation Board, co-chair of the CJD International Support Alliance

REGISTRATION FORM

CONFERENCE

SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2015

Full day conference including morning and afternoon tea and lunch

Cost: Free for individuals and family members at risk or affected by CJD or other prion diseases.

\$60 for Health Care Professionals (HCP) – (to cover the cost of catering)

GENETIC FAMILY MEETING*

FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2015

*Registration only for family members affected by genetic CJD or other prion diseases and family members seeking advice on genetic testing.

CONFERENCE DINNER – JASPER HOTEL

– SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2015 – 7PM

Dinner includes a 3 course meal and soft drinks (alcoholic drinks available for purchase) \$50 per head.

Name

Contact Number

Email

Number attending conference

..... CJDsgn Members (free of charge) HCP (\$60 per head)

Number attending conference dinner (\$50 per head)

Number attending genetic family meeting (free of charge)*

Any special dietary requirements;

Please complete this form and return to the CJDSGN by 10/11/15

Email contactus@cjdsgn.org.au (PDF form to return via email)

Post CJDSGN, 13 Araluen Place, Glenhaven NSW 2156

Call or Fax to register and pay 1800 052 466

Register and/or pay on line **www.cjdsgn.org.au**

PAYMENT

Cheque Credit Card Card Type: Mastercard Visa Amex

Card No.

Expiry / Amount: \$

Name on card:

Accommodation for the conference at **Jasper Hotel** – Deluxe Queen (Room only) \$155 per room per night. Mention the CJDSGN conference when booking for the special conference rate – this rate will only be available for booking made prior to 12th October 2015.

The CJDSGN acknowledges the funding provided by the Department of Health that assists towards the cost of the conference.