



SUPPORT GROUP NETWORK

Venue **Jasper Hotel – Function Hall,**
489 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne Vic 3000
03 8327 2777

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

Key speakers from overseas will provide information on the following topics:

An overview of prion disease, clinical advancements towards treatments, diagnostic improvements and risk factors for CJD.

Our Australian experts and researchers will present on the following topics:

Surveillance in Australia, challenges and advancements with diagnostics and genetic testing options and a history spanning 25 years.

Our research teams will provide updates on current research work in Australia and acknowledge the tremendous support provided by families via the CJDSGN.

Personal stories from family members who know the difficult journey called CJD are a big part of the day and this year we add the experience of a family doctor and her whirlwind journey assisting a patient and her family.

The round table session during the afternoon will provide time for one on one discussions with our presenters.

TENTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CJD CONFERENCE

SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2017

8.30am – 5.00pm

Conference Dinner 7.00pm

GENETIC FAMILY MEETING

Friday 17th November 2017 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.

KEY SPEAKERS



Professor John Collinge – London, UK

John Collinge is Professor of Neurology and Head of the Department of Neurodegenerative Disease at the UCL Institute of Neurology. He is also Director of the UK Medical Research Council's Prion Unit, and leads the National Prion Clinic at the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery in London, UK.



Professor Robert Will – Edinburgh, UK

Robert Will is a professor of Clinical Neurology at the Department of Clinical Neurosciences, Western General Hospital in Edinburgh UK. Former director and founder of the National CJD Surveillance Unit UK. He is also a founding member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance.



Associate Professor Brian Appleby – Cleveland, USA

Brian Appleby is a neuropsychiatrist with clinical and research interests in prion diseases and young onset dementias. He is co-director of the National Prion Disease Pathology Surveillance Center at Case Western Reserve University and medical director of the CJD Foundation USA. He is also a member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance.



Associate Professor Gianluigi Zanusso – Verona, Italy

Gianluigi Zanusso is an associate professor in Neurology at the University of Verona, Italy. He is also a member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance.



Professor Steven Collins – Melbourne, Australia

Steven Collins is a neurologist who is Director of the Australian National Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Registry (ANCDJR), as well as Principal Research Fellow in the Department of Medicine, the University of Melbourne and a National Health & Medical Research Council Practitioner Fellow. Medical Director of the CJD Support Group Network. Member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance.



Professor Martin Delatycki, Melbourne, Australia

Clinical Director, Victorian Clinical Genetics Services
Director, Bruce Lefroy Centre for Genetic Health Research Murdoch Childrens Research Institute.



Jennifer Cooke

Journalist, editor and narrative writer – Sydney, Australia
Jenny is also a member of the Friends and Advisors Group – CJD International Support Alliance.

REGISTRATION FORM

CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER 2017

Full day conference including morning and afternoon tea and lunch

Cost: Free for individual and family members personally affected by CJD or other prion diseases

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

GENETIC FAMILY MEETING*

FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER, 2017

*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

ROOM 8, 1ST LEVEL

– SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER, 2017 – 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 10/11/17

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

Post CJDSGN, 13 Araluen Place, Glenhaven NSW 2156

Call to register and pay 1800 052 466

Register and/or pay on line www.cjdsupport.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) \$145 per room per night.

You can book this special conference rate online by including the code **CJD2017** or by calling the hotel on 03 83272777 and mentioning the code. Room availability is limited so please book early.

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