

Science, practice, experience

Invitation to participate

APSAD 2005

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APSAD 2005 Conference

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Hilton on the Park, Melbourne, Victoria
6-9 November 2005



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The Australasian Professional Society
on Alcohol and other Drugs

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SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Full instructions and online abstract submission can be found on the APSAD Conference website at www.apsadconference.com.au. Authors unable to submit abstracts online should contact the Conference Secretariat to make alternative arrangements.

CALL FOR SATELLITE WORKSHOPS

Pre or post conference workshops, satellite conferences and meetings are an excellent way to ensure you have a targeted attendance at your workshop. We have a limited number of places for satellite workshops before or after the conference. At present we can confirm:

- National Drug Trends Conference
– Friday 4th November 2005
- Reckitt Benckiser Buprenorphine Symposium
– Sunday 6th November 2005

If you are interested in holding a pre or post conference workshop, please contact the Conference Convenor, Assoc Prof Alison Ritter by 6 May, 2005 on 03 8413 8419 or by email alison.ritter@turningpoint.org.au.

CALL FOR SATELLITE MEETINGS & LAUNCHES

APSAD conference delegates are involved with numerous other organisations, and during the annual APSAD conference a number of satellite meetings are held, for example the Drug and Alcohol Review editorial meeting, and the Australasian Chapter of Addiction Medicine annual meeting.

In order to ensure that these meetings do not overlap, we are happy to arrange a schedule of satellite meetings. If you are planning a satellite meeting, please advise Assoc Prof Alison Ritter by 17 June 2005 to ensure that you have an appropriate meeting space.

The APSAD conference is also traditionally a time for the launch of a new publication or service. We have a limited number of spots for 'launches'. To arrange a launch during the conference, please contact Assoc Prof Alison Ritter by phone on 03 8413 8419 or by email alison.ritter@turningpoint.org.au by 17 June 2005.

SPONSORSHIP

The APSAD 2005 Conference provides an excellent opportunity for your organisation to:

- gain face-to-face exposure to national industry leaders and suppliers
- network with industry buyers and mix informally with key decision-makers who have a genuine interest in supporting the health sector of Australia
- maintain a high profile with your target markets
- demonstrate your involvement, commitment and support of the industry
- launch new products and services in front of an audience empowered with decision-making authority.

If your organisation would like to benefit from these opportunities, please contact the Conference Secretariat for a Sponsorship and Exhibition Kit.

REGISTRATION

Registration information and online registration will be available on the conference website at www.apsadconference.com.au in the near future. In the meantime, if you require further information please contact the Conference Secretariat.

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- Call for Abstracts
- Call for Satellite Workshops
- Call for Satellite Meetings
- Sponsorship Opportunities

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts close:	Friday 17 June 2005
Close of Call for Satellite Meetings & Launches:	Friday 17 June 2005
Close of Call for Satellite Workshops:	Friday 6 May 2005
Acceptance of Abstracts advised:	Friday 22 July 2005
Super Earlybird Registration closes:	Friday 29 July 2005

I am delighted to invite you to participate in the 2005 APSAD Conference. APSAD, and the 2005 Convenors Turning Point, have a strong reputation for delivering unique, inclusive and stimulating conferences. The theme for 2005 is “Science, practice, experience”. The conference will demonstrate outstanding science, best practice in treatment, law enforcement, harm reduction and prevention and include experiential knowledge at all levels. The theme will be represented through the choice of keynote speakers, the symposia and the abstract-driven sessions. We will have notable international and national scientists, practitioners, and experiential speakers. The symposia sessions will include practice-based workshops. We also have a “vibe” committee who are responsible for making sure the delegates enjoy Melbourne and the conference experience.

A/Prof Alison Ritter, Conference Chair

- Drug and alcohol workers
- Researchers, health and other professionals with an interest in the drug and alcohol field
- Members and colleagues of APSAD (Australasian Professional Society on Alcohol and Other Drugs)
- New researchers, recent PhD, Masters and Honours graduates
- Individuals and organisations representing consumers

- keynote presentations addressing the conference theme
- symposia on selected topics
- concurrent sessions
- poster sessions
- clinical workshops

We are seeking abstracts (maximum 300 words) for papers that outline new research findings, evaluations, policy analyses or practice experience. These can be in any area of alcohol or drug endeavour. Oral presentations are generally no more than 15 minutes in length. The work must be original and not have been presented or published previously.

In 2005 we will hold dedicated poster sessions that will not run concurrently with other sessions. At other conferences, the poster session is regarded as the most interactive and successful part of the program. This is partly because the best work is presented in the poster sessions, and partly because the author of the poster stands beside his/her work and answers questions or summarises the poster to the delegates. For a delegate, it means knowing you can meet experts and talk to them in person, one-on-one. We will be selecting the best papers for the poster session. The work must be original and not have been presented or published previously.

Abstracts can be submitted for consideration as either an oral session or a poster session.

This year, the APSAD conference program will also include clinical workshops. These workshops will focus upon skills acquisition, discussion and interactions. We are seeking experienced practitioners and trainers who are interested in running a 90-minute skills-based workshop around any aspect of alcohol and drug treatment.

- Authors/presenters
- Title
- Nomination of type of abstract:
 1. current research, evaluation, policy or practice; and/or
 2. poster; or
 3. clinical workshop
- Nomination of theme:
 1. science; or
 2. practice; or
 3. experience
- 300 word description of the paper, poster or workshop.

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