

TUESDAY 24 JUNE 2025 (PRE-CONFERENCE)	
3.00pm - 6.30pm	Registration and Information Desk Open - Foyer H
3.00pm - 6.30pm	Speaker Preparation Room Open - Skyway Room 1
8.30am - 5.00pm	Education Day
	Education Day is a professional development workshop for occupational therapy academics and clinicians held the day prior to the National Conference.
6.00pm - 7.00pm	Student and New Graduate Networking

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE 2025

7.00am - 5.30pm	Registration and Information Desk Open
7.00am - 4.15pm	Speaker Preparation Room Open
8.00am - 5.00pm	Exhibition Open

OPENING SESSION

MC Room	Danielle Loizou-Lake Halls CD Lower Section
8.30am - 8.45am	Welcome to Country Ceremony
8.45am - 9.00am	Minister Address
9.00am - 9.20am	OTA Announcements
9.20am - 9.30am	Welcome from the Conference Convenor
9.30am - 10.15am	Dr Jordan Nguyen One Life. Persist to improve many.

10.15am - 11.00am Morning Tea

CONCURRENT SESSION 1

Topic	1A Contemporary Occupational Therapy	1B Disability and participation in the community	1C School Based Occupational Therapy	1D Outpatient + Community Based	1E Rehab Technologies & AI	1F Occupational Therapy Practice Mental Health	1G Interactive Learning	1H Interactive Learning
Chair								
Room	Halls CD Lower Section	Hall A	Room E2	Room E1	Room E3	Riverbank Rooms 2&3	Riverbank 4	Riverbank 5
11.05am - 11.20am	Kylie Wales Balancing the books: The cost-effectiveness of occupational therapy services	Caroline Mills Virtual Reality as a clinical intervention for people with neurodevelopmental disability	Laura Burritt Working within the school system - Considerations for practice	Janelle Arnold A New Direction: The Home Mods Competency Compass	Vanessa Langenberg and Natasha Layton Decolonising assistive technology and home modifications provision: cultural safety guidance	Clare Findlay Embedding OTA's Mental Health Capability Framework into a New Graduate Support Program	Jessica Levick "Make the Friendship Bracelets": Craft as a Salutogenic Leisure Therapeutic Modality	Laine Chilman and Louise Gustafsson "Growing our own": Supporting future generations of occupational therapy academics
11.20am - 11.35am		Emma George 'Virtuicare' advancing inclusion through virtual care for people with disabilities in India	Kate Mudge Occupational therapy creating autism inclusion in a nation first education initiative	Alison Pighills A Cochrane Systematic Review: Occupational therapy-led fall-prevention home hazard assessments reduce falls	Jessica Francis Artificial intelligence as the occupational therapist's copilot: Ethical and practical uses	Heidi Sturk Building digital mental health capability in occupational therapy		
11.35am - 11.50am	Heather Block Occupational therapy in primary care in Australia: Current practice and future opportunities	Kate D'Cruz Co-designing with people with disability: Considerations for authentic and inclusive practice	Lydia Meem Supporting Autistic Students: Development and evaluation of neurodiversity affirming course for teachers	Elizabeth Proud Feasibility of a telehealth hand training program for people with Parkinson's disease.	Kerry Anderson Kay Support needs to reduce the knowledge-to-practice gap for clinicians using rehabilitation technologies	Katya Adkin What keeps carers of people with mental health concerns awake at night?	Shari Smith and Emily Muldoon Identifying Oedema and donning-doffing compression garments	Changeover 15 mins
11.50am - 12.05pm	Karina Lewis In Hand: A multi-disciplinary, consumer co-designed pilot to address use of violence.	Dana Fomin Experiences of people with intellectual disabilities employed in community cafes: qualitative study.	Emma Clark Perspectives of teachers on collaborating with occupational therapists: an exploratory qualitative study	Libby Callaway Co-design of a micro-credential on good practice steps of assistive technology provision	WeiHong Zhang Using immersive virtual reality for IADL assessment and intervention in older adults	Grace Zeng Championing connection: Integrating the lived experience workforce into mental health teams.		
12.05pm - 12.20pm	Jamie Wilson Becoming Elite: the youth athlete experience from an occupational perspective.	Mohammad Mosayed Ullah Empowering Participation: Makerspaces for People with Disabilities - A Scoping Review	Kelsey Philpott-Robinson Promoting self-regulation theory in practice using a stakeholder-informed conceptual framework.	Rebecca Jamwal and Alice Dwyer "I want my brain back." Occupational Therapy for people with long COVID	Natasha Layton and Susan Brooks Goods, Equipment and Assistive Technology: a longitudinal study of 23,000 older Australians	Annalise O'Callaghan and Andrew Miller Making music for improved mental health: Music and audio production-based interventions		
12.20pm - 12.35pm	Claire Doherty Feasibility randomised control trial of the Healthy and HomED model of care	Niamh Newton and Anna Rose Coaching for individuals with spinal cord injury: An emerging opportunity	Lydia Cossart Exploring occupational therapists' perspectives about self-regulation when working in Australian primary schools	Susan Brandis An occupational therapy-led trial to improve patient adherence to compression stockings	Christina Wyatt and Ailsa Leslie Official Launch: OTA's New Capability Frameworks for Assistive Technology & Environmental Modifications	Eliane Gefen Computerized Cognitive Training in People with Depression: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis	Facilitating the evidence-informed practice of occupational therapy students on placement	Workforce shortages and burnout. Where to from here?
12.35pm - 12.50pm	IMPACT INSIGHTS	Rebecca Tarrant Development of a Community Occupational Therapy Outcome Measure	Nat O'Neill A school's unique wellbeing approach using an occupational therapist and therapy dog	Terra Bredy Hand therapists' perspectives on recovery and occupational performance after distal radius fracture	IMPACT INSIGHTS	IMPACT INSIGHTS		
	Carrie McCallum Occupational Therapy Scope of Practice – an update to reflect service evolution				Sarah Collison When Assistive Technology Misses the Mark: Navigating Unsuccessful Prescriptions in the NDIS	Evana Miesen Supporting the Health and Wellbeing of Mental Health Occupational Therapists		
	Janelle Arnold Advocating for Occupational Therapy Amidst Competition and Devaluation				Jordana Parkes-Moller and Rosh Hettiaratchi Using video calls to support occupational therapy home assessment visits	Jaime Jenkinson Innovative ways of fostering professional relationships within early career mental health learners		

						Rachel Starbuck Using data strategically at multiple levels...development of public mental health occupational therapy.			
12.50pm - 1.50pm	Lunch								
	Exhibitor Presentation E Room 1				Exhibitor Presentation E Room 3				
1.15pm - 1.30pm	The benefits of free dementia education for occupational therapists Penny Younger Wicking Dementia Research And Education Centre, University Of Tasmania				From Theory to Reality: Practical Accessible Home Modifications Insights for OTs Europe Karki Equippsy				
1.30pm - 1.45pm	NDIS Rule Changes: Impact on OT Practice and Advocacy Sarah Collison Verve OT Learning				AI Essentials for Healthcare: What It AI, What It Can Do & How to Choose Wisely? Melanie Wind Pegasus AI				
CONCURRENT SESSION 2									
	Topic Chair Room	2A Securing the future Halls CD Lower Section	2B Occupational Therapy interventions for stroke survivors Hall A	2C Enabling Parenting & Caregivers Room E2	2D Supporting people with dementia Room E1	2E Innovative Occupational Therapy curriculum strategies Room E3	2F Supporting those affected by Cancer Riverbank Rooms 2&3	2G Interactive Learning Riverbank 4	2H Interactive Learning Riverbank 5
1.50pm - 2.05pm	Stefanie Pearce and Claire Pearce Matters of language in occupational therapy - offer invited speaker instead of workshop	Ellen Druce Independent practice resources—do they meet the needs of stroke survivors undergoing rehabilitation?	Belinda McLean Exploring the emotional life of new parents	Laura Jolliffe Patterns and predictors of meaningful activity among older adults in GEM wards	Janelle Gullan Inside and out: Doing, being, becoming and belonging from an intrapersonal perspective	Celia Marston Caring for cancer carers at hospital discharge: A feasibility trial	Michelle Kersten, Anna Rose and Kristy Coxon Supporting psychosocial well-being and occupation engagement in people with pressure injury	Katherine Harding People, we have a problem. Applying evidence to solve a demand-capacity crisis	
2.05pm -2.20pm			Tayla Grant Activity based interventions to improve functional independence after stroke: a systematic review	Sage McPherson and Kayt Macdonald Parenting with a disability: this life transition needs support	Catherine Devanny Improving access to rehabilitation for people with dementia through co-design	Michele Verdonck Evidence-based innovation in occupational therapy education			Elizabeth Martin Exploring the occupational impact of surviving bowel cancer
2.20pm - 2.35pm	Jessica Watt Environmental sustainability: A focus group study on occupational therapists experiences and perspectives	Natasha Lannin Falls After Stroke Trial: a randomised controlled trial of homebased, tailored rehabilitation	Jacqui Barfoot Activating Parents in Early Intervention: Evaluating Goal-Attainment of a Relationally Informed Approach	Catherine Devanny Building knowledge and challenging stigma: making an online course about dementia rehabilitation	Anne Cusick Using generative artificial intelligence in program evaluation: training module development and implementation	Ashlee Miller-Jenkins Process evaluation of a home-based occupational therapy service for people with cancer			
2.35pm - 2.50pm	Bronwyn Paynter Planetary Wellbeing: A Core Responsibility for Occupational Therapists	Sally Day Stroke survivors’ goal-directed community mobility: Falls After Stroke Trial (FAST)	Lucinda Munro Parents Perceptions and Understanding of Co-regulation in Parenting 2 – 5-year-olds.	Grace Lennon and Nikki Tulliani Health Professionals’ Perspectives on Implementing Sensory Interventions for Older People with Dementia	Liana Cahill Team-Based Learning for assistive technology education: The occupational therapy student experience	Tarah Baker Eliciting priorities for participation at end of life: A patient perspective	Nikki Cousins Boosting Independence with Budget-Friendly Assistive Technology	Janelle Arnold From Burnout to Brilliance: Navigating Your Path to a Fulfilling OT Career	
2.50pm - 3.05pm	Marnie Jones An Indigenist approach to developing culturally- responsive nature-based therapy resources for children	Travis Eylward Therapists' Practice of Serial Casting post-Botulinum Toxin-A for Upper Limb Spasticity post-Stroke			Elisa Yule and Alexandra Logan Evaluation of a codesigned mental health simulated student placement targeting recovery-oriented practice.	Ashlee Miller-Jenkins Meeting consumer demand for cancer-specific occupational therapy services in the home			
3.05pm-3.35pm	Afternoon Tea								

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CONCURRENT SESSION 3								
Topic	3A	3B	3C	3D	3E	3F	3G	3H
Chair Room								
	Securing the future	Occupational Therapy interventions for stroke survivors con't	Enabling Parenting & Caregivers	Supporting people with dementia con't	Innovative Occupational Therapy curriculum strategies	Quality occupational therapy services within acute care and hospital discharge contexts	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning
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3.35pm - 3.50pm	Bronwyn Paynter Measuring outcomes from occupational therapy-led nature festival events: Challenges and successes	Leah Jenkins Student led constraint-induced movement therapy: Perspectives of community-dwelling stroke survivors	Daniel Costalonga Neurodiverse-affirming occupational therapy with children and families: partnering for meaningful outcomes	Sofia Tikellis Effectiveness of an interdisciplinary delirium ward round in managing delirium	Shleshma Dhakal Insights of university staff on supporting international students from non-western backgrounds.	Carissa Mongan Hospital discharge planning for adults with disability: Evaluating barriers and enablers	Tamara Tse Measuring Outcomes to demonstrate the Value of Occupational Therapy: Identifying impact areas	Claire Britton Empowering Neurodiversity Utilising Neurodiversity-Affirming Occupational Therapy Practices
3.50pm - 4.05pm	Catherine Hilly Feasibility of a cognitive approach for children with fetal alcohol spectrum disorder	Hannah Walsh Employer perceptions of supporting stroke survivors’ return to work: A qualitative study	Emily Mackaway and Tania Henderson Empowering Caregivers of Neurodivergent Children: A Collaborative Approach	Meaghan Sfara An Occupational Therapy Environmental Checklist for Delirium: A mixed methods feasibility study	Melanie Hoyle Enhancing genuine engagement: Scoping review of consumer involvement in occupational therapy education	Michelle Kersten, Anna Rose and Kristy Coxon Perspectives of clinicians providing care to NDIS participants with pressure injuries		
4.05pm - 4.20pm	Rebecca Ball Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: an important conversation for everyone	Sophie O'Keefe Working after stroke: a co-designed, peer-facilitated qualitative study	Aswithaa Visakeswaran Parent-involvement interventions supporting social-functioning for children with neurodevelopmental conditions: A systematic review	Lorraine Ng The impacts of a redeveloped garden on consumers in an psychogeriatric unit.	Pauline Boland Irish educator perspectives on service user involvement in allied health professional curricula	Hannah Barden The power of collaboration: changing healthcare delivery for people with Developmental Disabilities.		
4.20pm -4.35pm	Catherine Hilly and Alison Houghton Occupational therapists' knowledge of fetal alcohol spectrum disorder: A national survey	Laura Jolliffe Advancing clinical skills: Educational videos for mastering Constraint Induced Movement Therapy (CIMT)	Julia Cullenward Optimising parent-mediated interventions for rural children with neurodevelopmental disorders: A systematic review	Sally Day Meaningful Engagement Program Theory: Supporting inclusive therapy for diverse groups with dementia	Joanne Hinit Integrating generative AI into occupational therapy education using customisable AI agents.	Rachel Assetta and Shelley Brown Enhancing staff capability and service quality in completing Hospital NDIS Processes		
4.35pm - 4.50pm	Christina Wyatt and Ailsa Leslie Building a Stronger Future: OTA's Capability Frameworks Strengthen Practice and Workforce Sustainability in Occupational Therapy	IMPACT INSIGHTS	Monica Leo Systematic review of online interventions for parents of children with additional needs	IMPACT INSIGHTS	Hannah Cain and Tenelle Hodson Griffith Occupational Therapy's Deadly Curriculum Working Group: Relationship building, allyship, real impact	IMPACT INSIGHTS		Lydia Meem Using the Neurodivergent Student Profile, Cognitive Assessment Observation Checklist and Recommendation Menu
		Liana Cahill Home visit discharge planning: stroke survivors’ and carers’ perspectives on transition home		Nikki Tulliani and Caroline Mills Effectiveness of sensory interventions in older adults with dementia: A systematic review.		Bianca Summers Supporting patients with funding related barriers to discharge from hospital		
		Serena Alves-Stein Understanding content and effectiveness of leisure interventions following stroke: A systematic review		Lorraine Ng Outdoor occupations and their benefits for people with dementia in institutional settings		Lynette De Francia Cognitive and physical difficulties among critical illness survivors after hospital discharge		
				Catherine Andrew Addressing occupational injustices experienced by workers with dementia: occupational therapy advocacy opportunities				
4.50pm - 4.55pm	Time to move from Breakout Sessions to Plenary							
5.00pm-5.35pm	Keynote presenter - to be annouced							
5.45pm - 7.00pm	Welcome Reception - Panorama Ballroom							

THURSDAY 26 JUNE 2025

7.30am - 5.00pm	Registration and Information Desk Open
7.30am - 5.00pm	Speaker Preparation Room Open
8.00am - 5.00pm	Exhibition Open
8.00am - 8.15am	Session Chair Briefing

PLENARY SESSION	
MC Room	Danielle Loizou-Lake Halls CD Lower Section

8.30am - 8.45am	Acknowledgement to Country and Introductions to Day 2
8.45am - 9.30am	Professor Mandy Stanley Sylvia Docker Lectureship
9.30am - 10.15am	2025 Occupational Therapy Australia Awards

10.15am - 11.05am	Morning Tea
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CONCURRENT SESSION 4									
Topic	4A	4B	4C	4D	4E	4F	4G	4H	
Chair Room	Women's health and motherhood occupations	Community Occupational Therapy & Healthy Aging	Occupational Therapy with adults following brain injury	Occupational Therapy practice in NDIS	Occupational Therapy student placements	Occupational Therapy in acute & forensic mental health	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning	
	Halls CD Lower Section	Hall A	Room E2	Room E1	Room E3	Riverbank Rooms 2&3	Riverbank 4	Riverbank 5	
11.10am - 11.25am	Hannah Slootjes Expanding the Kawa Model: Storytelling and Reflection for Neurodivergent Women during Motherhood	Caroline Mills Ageing with autism: Healthcare practitioners' readiness to work with older autistic adults	Louise Bassingthwaighe On-road driving remediation: Achieving and maintaining fitness to drive following brain injury	Nova Lee Understanding experiences of occupational therapists working under the National Disability Insurance Scheme	Kylee Lockwood and Mong-Lin Yu Student placement allocations and current workforce needs in occupational therapy	Jane Brincat Defining occupational therapy in emergency mental health: A quality improvement project	Bronwyn Paynter The Kawa model: exploring team effectiveness and wellbeing through nature metaphors	Louise Gustafsson Turn your research into a publication with Australian Occupational Therapy Journal	
11.25am - 11.40am	Jennifer Curtis Perspectives of Health Professionals on Opportunities for Occupational Therapy in Women's Health	Hilary O'Connell LiveUp - Supporting independence and self-directed reablement options	Louise Bassingthwaighe Driver assessment, lifespace trajectory and participation in community-based occupations following brain injury	Clare Batkin When your client asks you to "Just write me a letter..."	Alis Moores ClinEdAus - Supporting occupational therapy student placements	Mary Evatt "The Corners of My Mind." Exploring a reminiscence group in acute psychogeriatrics.			
11.40am - 11.55am	Janelle Gullan Bridging female pelvic healthcare gaps: Highlighting occupational impacts, skills and practice integration	Harpreet Kaur Premjeet Singh Exploring the lived experiences of the consumers of the Transition Care Program	Libby Callaway Co-design of educational resources: Tools for ageing well with traumatic brain injury	Jenny Gribbin and Sarah Collison Maintaining OT Presence in the Evolving NDIS World: A Conversation that Matters	Wendy Milgate From setbacks to comebacks: Understanding the student's perspective on failing placement	Dillon Tepper Daily living functioning for borderline personality disorder: Programs and approaches alongside psychotherapy			
11.55am - 12.10pm	Jennifer Curtis Establishing occupational therapy practice in a tertiary women's health hospital: insights/lessons learned	Heather Block Quality of life for ageing adults with chronic conditions in primary care	Ben Turner Consumer perspectives of reclaiming agency in care decisions after acquired brain injury	Clare Batkin A novel, systematic approach to National Disability Insurance Scheme report writing	Merrolee Penman A framework for novice placement simulation: Design-based research with student co-researchers	Gabrielle Pitt Development of a Capability Framework for Occupational Therapists in Forensic Mental Health.	5 min change over		
12.10pm - 12.25pm	Kathryn Horley Increasing awareness of occupational therapy's role in managing occupational disruption of menopause	Grace Zeng Cycling Without Age: Connecting with people; environment and occupation	Marlena Klaic Factors influencing adoption of brain injury support groups: A mixed methods study.	Pak Wai Tung Occupational therapists working as NDIS-registered Behaviour Support Practitioners: A qualitative exploration	Emma Tan and Sally Day Advancing our scope: occupational therapy students in a novel dementia care setting	Danielle Ashley and Katherine Harvey Digital literacy in forensic mental health: from research to practice	Create and play: Art in nature! The therapeutic benefits for Occupational Therapy!		
12.25pm - 12.40pm	Hannah Slootjes Navigating menopause transitions: Holistic occupational therapy approaches to enhance women's wellbeing	Heather Block Co-designing a model for social prescribing for older people	Stephanie Misalis Effectiveness of cognitive rehabilitation interventions for hospitalised adults with traumatic brain injuries.	Clare Batkin Functional Capacity Assessments for people with complex invisible illness	IMPACT INSIGHTS Ali Gebhardt Prepared occupational therapy students for successful practice education: A scoping review	Leila Thornhill Orientation, boundaries, and connections: The meaning of home for homeless people	5 min change over		
12.40pm - 12.55pm	Nathalie Collins Occupational therapy and pelvic exenteration: how do we shape up?	IMPACT INSIGHTS Sarah McMullen-Roach LGBTI+ Older Australians use of Health and Aged Care Services Leesa Musarra Implementing the Specific Timely Assessment and Triage model into Community OT service Hannah Forbes Youth and older adults' perspectives of health and wellbeing in intergenerational programs	Stacey James Addressing return-to-driving after Acquired Brain Injury in the community: A Scoping Review	IMPACT INSIGHTS Anoo Bhohti Exploring the supervision needs of the disability support workforce. A qualitative study. Jessica Charlton The NDIS Act: Autonomy Promoting or Autonomy Controlling?	Alis Moores A framework for educational practice to support students' theory use on placement Amy Lonergan Could clinicians in research roles facilitate student placements? A time use study	IMPACT INSIGHTS Nicholas Smith and Rosh Hettiaratchi Housing allocation and modification to support mental health recovery Nicola Hancock Co-design and pragmatic trial of Driving My Own Mental Health Recovery App			

12.55pm - 1.50pm	Lunch								
	Exhibitor Presentation E Room 1					Exhibitor Presentation E Room 3			
1.15pm - 1.30pm	Empowering OTs: Holistic Approaches to Continence Management for Enhanced Client Care and Quality of Life Jasmine Gribble TENA					Early Power Mobility for Children with Vision Loss Kelsey Aquilina Nextsense			
1.30pm - 1.45pm	Share your Occupational Therapy skills overseas Jia O'Donoghue Australian Volunteers Program					Looks do matter: the impact of disability stigma and aesthetics on assistive product refusal Sophie Rhys Fabb - Feel a bit better			
12.55pm - 1.50pm	Lunch								
CONCURRENT SESSION 5									
Topic	5A Occupational Justice	5B Cognition in older adulthood	5C Occupational Therapists wellbeing & self care	5D Occupational Therapy workforce	5E Hospital based Occupational Therapy	5F Childrens sensory processing & play	5G Interactive Learning	5H Interactive Learning	
Chair Room	Halls CD Lower Section	Hall A	Room E2	Room E1	Room E3	Riverbank Rooms 2&3	Riverbank 4	Riverbank 5	
1.55pm - 2.10pm	Emeritus Professor Gail Whiteford Connecting communities as participatory justice: A vision for collaborative action	Emma Ward Interventions that increase participation in older adults experiencing mild cognitive decline	Rebecca Rae-Hodgson and Lauren Turnbull Finding belonging as neurodivergent occupational therapists: Supporting ourselves so we can support others	Stephanie Harman OTs perceptions of health equity challenges in regional, rural and remote Australia	Emma Schneider Co-designed recommendations for modifying the hospital-built environment to prevent and manage delirium	Rhyannah Lesleighter Sensory Kidz: An early intervention sensory group program	Susan Brandis and Sally Fields The future is here - digital techniques and tools for home assessments	Ben Sellar Revisiting reasonable adjustments to foster inclusion and diversity in occupational therapy education	
2.10pm - 2.25pm		Sarah Davies Perspectives of people with Parkinson's about Cognitive Orientation to daily Occupational Performance	Jane Gibson and Claire Morrisby “...every area of occupational therapy, we're gonna see it”: Grief and loss	Carol Davis and Renee Gunn Building a capable and confident Occupational Therapy workforce with Entrustable Professional Activities	Francis Gomes Functional cognitive tools and clinical utility with older adults in Emergency Departments	Jacinta So Self-regulation based interventions for autistic children and youth: A systematic review			
2.25pm - 2.40pm	Dr Robert Pereira Doing occupational justice work to amplify consumer voice, choice and action	Nikki Tulliani Effectiveness of a computer-based memory program for older adults: a pilot trial	Megan Hatfield Self-compassion and occupational therapy: Supporting wellbeing in ourselves and our clients	Karen Hayes The persistent shortage of occupational therapists in rural and remote places.	Gemma Wall Patient and clinician perceptions and experiences of occupation-based groups in inpatient rehabilitation.	Emma Clark The perspectives of paediatric occupational therapists of using interoception in clinical practice			
2.40pm - 2.55pm	Eliza Wilson Lived experiences in inclusive community building activities within the Befriend Social Network	Claire Morrisby and Anelle Young Scoping review: Do Occupational Therapy groups prevent functional decline for older adults?	Helen Whait Reinventing OT: Innovation to Safeguard Practitioner Wellbeing and Client Outcomes	Emma Brown Allied-health recruitment and retention in rural and remote Australia: A scoping review.	Sia Horrobin Daily living interventions: a comparison between inpatient and bed-substitution rehabilitation programs	Michelle Newby Insights into Occupational Performance in Paediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome (PANS)	Weihong Zhang Fully immersive virtual reality shopping app - innovative occupational therapy practice		
2.55pm - 3.10pm	Rebecca Waters Occupational therapy and addressing the impacts of family and domestic violence	Eliane Gefen Cognitive Control amongst Older Adults with Depressive Symptom: Mechanisms and Intervention	Nicole de la Perrelle Occupational therapy for Occupational Therapists: supporting clinican well-being and preventing burnout	Andrea Fidock Exploring the role of Occupational Therapy in a regional mental health service	Kathryn Marshall Co-designing falls management solutions in inpatient spinal injury rehabilitation	Julianne Challita Differences in cognitive strategy use between boys and girls with social difficulties			
3.10pm - 3.25pm	47 Simon Leadley The ways in which poverty shapes children’s patterns of participation in occupations	IMPACT INSIGHTS Jacki Liddle Exploring technology encounters with people living with dementia and care partners Jacqueline Wesson Positive behaviour support in residential aged care: where are we at?	Shinead Borkovic and Carol Mckinstry Burnout in new graduates: an exploration of the Australian workforce	Michelle Barnes and Jenna Davis Impact of Allied Health Clinical Development Roles on Workforce Development, and Retention	Gemma Wall What impact does a pilot occupation-based group intervention have on patient outcomes?	Hannah Hui Examining the association between school-age children’s pretend-play skills and their self-reported creativity			
3.25pm - 4.15pm	Afternoon Tea								
PLENARY SESSION									
MC Room	Danielle Loizou-Lake Halls CD Lower Section								
4.20pm - 5.05pm	Karen Jacobs Weaving the future: AI and human connection in collaborative occupational therapy practice								
5.10pm	Sessions Finish								
7.00pm - 10.00pm	Gala Dinner								

FRIDAY 27 JUNE 2025								
7.30am - 3.00pm	Registration and Information Desk Open							
7.30am - 3.00pm	Speaker Preparation Room Open							
10.15am - 2.00pm	Exhibition Open							
8.00am - 8.15am	Session Chair Briefing							
PLENARY SESSION								
MC Room	Danielle Loizou-Lake Halls CD Lower Section							
8.45am - 8.50am	Acknowledgement to Country and Introductions to Day 3							
8.50am - 9.35am	Dr Clinton Schultz							
9.35am - 9.55am	To be confirmed							
9.55am -10.15am	Update from Occupational Therapy Australia							
10.15am - 11.00am	Morning Tea							
CONCURRENT SESSION 6								
	6A	6B	6C	6D	6E	6F	6G	6H
Topic	Storytelling and connection within families	The future of Occupational Therapy: Occupational Therapy student perspectives	Supporting Occupations in Residential Aged Care	Occupational Therapy professional profiles, practice scope, and identity	Motor Performance in Children	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning
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11.00am - 11.15am	Alex Splitt & Clinton Schultz	Emma Kleindienst and Tamara Wanklyn	Kieva Richards	Celine Serrano-Diaz	Alice Lockwood	Emma Ashcroft	Rebecca Rae-hodgson	Louise Gustafsson
	In conversation	Factors influencing students’ choices to study occupational therapy at an Australian University	Occupational therapy for people with dementia transitioning to residential care	Inclusion and belonging of minoritised occupational therapists: preliminary qualitative research findings	Improving upper limb mobility in children with cerebral palsy using vibration therapy	To pay or not to pay: The future of practice placements	Doing Neurodiversity Affirming and Trauma-Informed Occupational Therapy	Being an evidence-based practitioner with the Australian Occupational Therapy Journal
11.15am - 11.30am		Eng Yee Lim	Miia Rahja	Shinead Borkovic	Samantha De Mol			
		The experiences of international students who speak English as a second language.	Translating evidence-based dementia care to residential aged care: Upskilling occupational therapists	Does a global professional identity matter? Perceptions of Australian occupational therapy academics	Do upper limb robotics effectively change function in a neurodisability paediatric cohort?			
11.30am - 11.45am	Kylie Matusewicz	Desley Simpson	Emily Carter	Narinder Verma	35 Berenice Johnston			
	What do children want from therapy? And how well are we listening?	Resilience in allied health students: A systematic mixed studies review	Enhancing Occupation and Well-being Through Intergenerational Programs in Residential Aged Care	Exploring occupational therapy professional identity formation.	Prewriting assessment tool: Validity and reliability.			
11.45am - 12.00pm	Laine Chilman and Laura Burrit	Celine Serrano-Diaz	Maria O'Reilly	Heather So	Liana Cahill and Christiana D'Cunha		Changeover	
	'Ask someone, what is their dreaming?' Yarning about Occupational Performance Coaching	Minoritised occupational therapy students and practitioners' inclusion and belonging: a scoping review	Role and scope of occupational therapy within residential aged care: Scoping review	The scope of practice for occupational therapists addressing client spirituality in treatment.	Validating the Handwriting Assessment Battery (HAB-v6): An international Delphi study		Jacqui Barfoot and Sheridan Prior	
12.00pm - 12.15pm	Laine Chilman and Asmita Mudholkar			Sian Griffiths	Belinda Deramore-Denver		Supporting emotional regulation: tools to help engage families and build parent capacity	
	'Handing down of beautiful knowledge': Yarning about mealtimes in First Nations families			Adventures in Calibration: Occupational Therapy in Wonderland	Generalisability of interventions for children with cerebral palsy and co-occurring vision impairment			
12.15pm - 1.20pm	Lunch (Exhibition and ePoster Display Area)							
	Exhibitor Presentation E Room 1				Exhibitor Presentation E Room 3			
12.45pm -1.00pm	Introducing the National Framework for assessing, differentiating, and reporting children's functional strengths and support needs Sally Vidler Autism CRC				Demonstrating the administration of the Allen Cognitive Level Screen, 6th Edition activities to support client functional assessments Loren Pordage ACDMweb			
1.00pm-1.15pm	Connect Play Learn: Using the PAIR model to integrate a relational approach in early childhood intervention Jacqui Barfoot Jacqui Barfoot				The role of functional electrical stimulation in neurorehabilitation to improve quality of life and promote return to function Leeann Walb Restorative Therapies			

12.15pm - 1.20pm		Lunch (Exhibition and ePoster Display Area)							
CONCURRENT SESSION 7									
Topic Chair Room	7A	7B	7C	7D	7E	7F	7G	7H	
	Professional Practice Issues for Children and Adults	Contemporary practice issues in working with children	Contemporary occupational issues for autistic individuals	Cognitive & Neuro Rehabilitation	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning	Interactive Learning	
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1.20pm - 1.35pm	Deb Phipps The Department for Education Occupational Therapy Regulation Model: development and application	Amanda Barnes (nee Dewson) Barriers and facilitators to novice occupational therapists working effectively with children.	Dianne Blackwell Neurodiversity-Affirming-Approaches to Emotion Regulation Support for Autistic People: Insights from Autistic Voices	Jacqueline (Jacqui) Wheatcroft Exploration of expert occupational therapists’ clinical reasoning when planning cognitive rehabilitation	Michelle Bihary Transforming Supervision: Enabling Workplaces to Thrive and Drive Clinical Excellence	Stefanie Pearce and Claire Pearce Context matters: an introduction to the CanMOP	Anne Cusick Occupational therapy history in Australia: therapeutic use of weaving 1941 to 1945	Katrina Pacey Analysis of the person-environment-occupation fit in functional behaviour assessment	
1.35pm- 1.50pm	Rebecca Waters Being person-centred in occupational therapy practice	Libby Strassmeir Empowering little lives: Occupational therapists working with young children with complex needs.	Bill Wong Autistic adults experiences at University and as new graduate occupational therapists	Emma Schneider Adapting adult traumatic brain injury guidelines to an occupational therapy service					
1.50pm - 2.05pm	Yi-Ching Wang Development of a Short Form of Empathic Skills Assessment for Occupational Therapists	Kavaish Krishna Effectiveness of a digital intervention promoting ergonomic use of technologies to children	Breanna Papagni Understanding the role, opportunities and barriers for occupational therapy, puberty and disability	Jenny Gribbin Modified Systems Usability Study outcomes on therapists’ experiences of a driving-therapy toolkit.					Jane Gibson and Claire Morrisby Embedding self-care: What we need to do but don’t always.
2.05pm - 2.20pm	255 Leanne Hopkins Empowering Emotional Regulation in Children Through Activity-Based Occupational Therapy Groups	Michael Curtin Occupational therapy telehealth for children recovery post-disaster	Sarah Miller Transgender and gender diverse autistic adults’ experiences undergoing gender-affirming hormone therapy	Pei-Chi Li Developing a machine learning-based WHODAS 2.0 short form in patients with stroke		Anna Forgan, Kathy Hopkins, Joseph Perri, Alice O’Connell-Debais, Cathryn Thoday and Kute Mudge			
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2.35pm - 2.50pm	Sarah Seekamp Enhancing interprofessional practice for families known to child protection	584 Janelle Arnold Stevie’s Spectacular Space: Restrictive Practices Redefined		Lindy Williams Improving the detection of spatial neglect post stroke					
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