

The Fine Edge of Dentistry 2026

17 - 19 September 2026
DENTAL CARE - THE NEXT ERA
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM



Thursday, 17 September 2026

Pre-Conference Workshops and Masterclasses can be booked at the time of registration

From 7:30AM	Registration Opens
8:30AM - 10:30AM	Pre-Conference Masterclass A Building Critical, Safe and Effective Dental Practice in an AI-Enabled Era Masterclass presenters: Dr Arosha Weerakoon (GDP) & Dr Kang Kim (GDP) Masterclass sponsored by Colgate
10:30AM - 12:30PM	Pre-Conference Hands-On Workshop B Practical Suturing Workshop Leaders: Dr Barbara Woodhouse (OMS) assisted by Vania Ruiz (Dynek Sutures) Workshop sponsored by Dynek Sutures
12:30PM - 2:30PM	Pre-Conference Masterclass C Developing a Practice in Snoring and OSA: Everything You Should Know to Have Better Outcomes Masterclass presenters: Dr Michelle Donegan (GDP) & Dr Lyndon Chan (ENT Surgeon) and Dr Mina Shehata (Respiratory & Sleep Physician)
2:30PM - 4:00PM	Pre-Conference Hands-On Workshop B Practical Socket Preservation in Implant Dentistry Workshop Leaders: Dr Kenneth Sun (OMS) assisted by Dr Barbara Woodhouse (OMS) Workshop sponsored by Sampson Medical Technologies
6:00PM - 10:00PM	Opening Ceremony & President's Welcome Reception Sydney Masonic Centre Fellow and Member Inductions

Friday, 18 September 2026

From 6:30AM	Registration Opens Arrival Tea and Coffee		
From 8:00AM	Exhibition		
7:00AM - 8:30AM	Add-on Breakfast Panel A Looking After You While You Look After Your Patients Presenters: A/Prof Matt Hopcraft (Melbourne Dental School) and Matheesha Premaratna (Exercise Scientist)		Morning Breakfast can be booked at the time of registration
8:40AM - 9:45AM	Welcome Speaker: Dr Erin Mahoney (RACDS President) Plenary Keynote Lecture Non-augmentative Rehabilitation of the Atrophic Edentulous Maxilla Keynote Speaker: Dr James Chow (OMS)		
9:45AM - 10:30AM	Plenary Panel Moderator: Dr Rachel Garraway (Perio) All on X – The Solution or the Problem? Panellists: Dr James Chow (OMS), Dr Jess O’Neill (Perio), and Dr Geoffrey Borlase (Pros)		
10:30AM - 11:00AM	Morning Tea Trade Exhibition Poster Viewing		
11:00AM - 11:30AM	Clinical Efficacy of Orifice Barrier in Endodontics: A Systematic Review - Dr Michael Wylie	Perio-Endo Synergy in the Next Era: Interdisciplinary Treatment Planning Dr Smitha Sukumar	Australian Dental Practitioners' Acceptance of Electronic Prescribing: A Cross-Sectional Analysis - Dr Joshua Lee
	Targeting Periodontitis Through Nutritional Immunomodulation: Evidence from Animal and Human Studies on Dietary Fibre - Dr Thilini Jayasinghe		Australian Medical Practitioners’ Knowledge of Medication Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaws (MRONJ) - Dr Syed Hussain
11:30AM - 12:00PM	Out of Sight, Out of Scope: Why is the Mouth Still Missing in Diabetes Care? - Dr Shalinie King	Beyond the Chair: The Risks of Under-Qualified Business and Marketing Advice in Dentistry Invited Speaker: Dr Kang Kim (GDP)	Managing Early and Late Complications of Dental Extractions Invited Speaker: Dr Kenneth Sun (OMS)
	Survey on the Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Pregnant Women Regarding Periodontal Health - Dr Ramya Kiran		
12:00PM - 12:30PM	Psychological Contributors to Pain in Endodontics: from Evidence Synthesis to Clinical Perspectives - Dr Atieh (Ati) Sadr		
	Integrating Neurosensory Modulation and Behaviourally Informed Rehabilitation in Temporomandibular Disorders (TMD) - Miss Elena Von Rosenberg		
12:30PM - 1:30PM	Lunch Trade Exhibition Poster Viewing		
1:30PM - 2:00PM	In-program Masterclass Practicalities in Managing Medically Complex and Special Needs Patients Speakers: Dr Zanab Malik (SND) and Dr Amanda Phoon Nguyen (Oral Med) Session sponsored by NSK	Enhancing Clear Aligner Therapy Through Precise Attachment Placement - Dr Linton Nash	The Epidemiology of Oral and Maxillofacial Injuries in Rural and Metropolitan Queensland - Dr Sai Pabbati
2:00PM - 3:00PM		Anterior Loop Connector Fixed Partial Denture, An Innovative Esthetic Treatment Approach A Case Report - Dr Alok Dwivedi	Factors Influencing Outcomes of Cleft Alveolar Bone Grafts from the Proximal Tibia - Dr Josephine Santoso
		Assessment and Management of Peg & Missing Lateral Incisors - An Interdisciplinary Approach (Part 1) Invited Speaker: Dr Bi Le (Ortho)	Clinical Outcomes and Success Rates of Coronectomy of Mandibular 3rd Molars in Australian Metropolitan Hospital Dental Clinic - Dr Ewan Cai
			Epidemiology of Odontogenic Tumours: A Systematic Review and Comparative Analysis of International Trends vs New Zealand Data - Dr Charlotte Kenny
			Dental Trauma: Involving Medical Doctors for Optimal Outcomes in Tertiary Centres - Simplified Protocol Based on Evidence - Dr Mitchell O'Neil
The Potential Roles That Dentists Can Contribute During Disasters and Mass Casualty Incidents - Dr Gabriel Chong			
3:00PM - 3:30PM	Afternoon Tea Trade Exhibition Poster Viewing		
3:30PM - 4:30PM	Unveiling the Truth: Debunking the Myths of Clear Aligner Orthodontics Invited Speaker: Dr Theo Baisi (Ortho) Session sponsored by Align Technology		
7:00PM - 11:00PM	Gala Dinner Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Sponsored by KLS Martin		

Saturday, 19 September 2026

From 6:30AM	Registration Opens Arrival Tea and Coffee		
From 8:00AM	Exhibition		
7:00AM - 8:30AM	Add-on Breakfast Panel B Moderator: Dr Omar Ikram (Endo) Juggling Priorities: From Commencement to Retirement Panellists: Prof John Boucher (GDP), Mr Steve Daley (Financial Broker), and Dr Ellie Borgelt (GDP) Morning Breakfast can be booked at the time of registration		
8:30AM - 9:30AM	When Gums Go Rogue: Periodontitis and Peri-implantitis Unpacked Invited Speakers: Dr Susan Wise (Perio) and Adj A/Prof Melinda Newnham (Perio) <i>Session sponsored by Colgate</i>		
9:30AM - 10:30AM	Oral Health Effects of Vaping: A Narrative Review - Dr Mohamed Naqeeb	Geriatric Dentistry - De-sophistication Invited Speaker: Dr Geoffrey Borlase (Pros)	I Love Children but not in my Dental Chair! Invited Speaker: Dr Erin Mahoney (Paeds)
	Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Treatment: Current Evidence and the Future of Care Invited Speaker: Dr Lyndon Chan (ENT Surgeon)		
10:30AM - 11:00AM	Morning Tea Trade Exhibition Poster Viewing		
11:00AM - 12:00PM	In-program Masterclass The use of AI to "Cut Corners" in Dental Practice Speaker: Dr Annalene Weston (Dento Legal Consultant) <i>Session sponsored by Dental Protection</i>	Emerging Lecturer Awards Hosted by: Dr Zanab Malik (SND) and Dr Danyon Graham (OMS Trainee) Finalists: Dr Liam Cassidy Dr Alex Chan Dr Philip Chien Dr Lisa Lim Dr Mohamed Naqeeb	Hot Pulp and Fat Faces – Endodontic Emergencies Invited Speaker: Dr Jasmine Holgate (Endo)
12:00PM - 1:00PM			Assessment and Management of Peg & Missing Lateral Incisors - An Interdisciplinary Approach (Part 2) Invited Speaker: Dr Louis Kei (Pros)
1:00PM - 2:00PM	Lunch Trade Exhibition Poster Viewing		
2:00PM - 3:30PM	Chair: Dr Erin Mahoney (RACDS President) Will Robots Replace Us? Keynote Speaker: Dr James Chow (OMS) Emerging Lecturer Awards Announcement, Best Poster Prize, and Conference Close Speaker: Dr Erin Mahoney (RACDS President) <i>Session sponsored by Straumann</i>		
3:30PM	Conference Close		