



AGOSCI Conference 2021
1 - 4 September 2021
Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart



Wednesday 1 September 2021 - Pre-Conference Workshops				
	Grand Ballroom 1	Grand Ballroom 2	Grand Ballroom 3	Harbour View Room 1
	Pre-Conference Workshop 1	Pre-Conference Workshop 2	Pre-Conference Workshop 3	Pre-Conference Workshop 4
9:00am - 10:30am	Shared Reading and Comprehension Jane Farrall	Supported decision making for people who communicate differently Jo Watson	AAC Toolbox - Let's Explore and Engage Laura Jones	We REALLY need to discuss this!: Mental Health and AAC Margie Charlesworth and Eleanor Watson
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5:00pm - 6:00pm	Welcome Reception			

Thursday 2 September 2021				
Grand Ballroom				
9:00am - 9:50am Opening and Welcome				
9:00am - 9:05am	Welcome to Country			
9:05am - 9:20am	Conference Welcome Tracey Hanigan and Kim Nguyen			
9:20am - 9:50am	AGOSCI Welcome Darren Trentepohl			
9:50am - 10:50am Keynote Speaker Address				
9:50am - 10:50am	Moving Beyond Mere Exchanges: Engagement, Participation and Meaning-making Dr Erna Alant			
10:50am - 11:20am Morning Tea				
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11:20am - 12:50pm Engage for Real	Exploring Service Design	Engage for Real	Engage Partners	
11:20am - 11:40am	The importance of a transdisciplinary approach to AAC intervention for individuals with motor and/or sensory disabilities: A case study Mel Riepsamen, Claire Cotter	Every Relationship Changes us in Some Way Joseph Harrall	Carers and Clinicians Achieving that "Light-bulb Moment" through AAC Workshops Megan Walsh, Caitie Mitchell, Nicky Heaney	
11:40am - 12:20pm		Relationships and AAC Lance McLemore		
12:20pm - 12:40pm		Making & Maintaining Friendships Dr Erna Alant		
12:40pm - 12:50pm				
12:50pm - 1:50pm	Lunch			
12:50pm - 1:50pm	Key Word Sign Presenters Meeting - Harbour View Room 1			
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1:50pm - 3:10pm AAC Access	Engaging Diversely	Engage for Real	Engage Partners	
1:50pm - 2:10pm	Exploring AAC system development in Aboriginal languages: Engaging with Yolju families living with Machado-Joseph Disease Rebecca Amery, Julie Wunungmurra	Good Communication Standard 1: A detailed description of how best to communicate with individuals... through written, annotated transcripts... a microscope on best practice, Sheridan Forster	Support workers are among a Speech Pathologist's best friends.... Jane Hunt	
2:10pm - 2:30pm		A journey to stronger connections and communication Jessica Preston, Vanessa Hill	Support worker perspectives on partnerships with therapists addressing complex communication needs Claire Macdonald, Angie Towns	
2:30pm - 2:50pm	Developing communication skills in EAL/D learners who have Complex Communication Needs Erin Boreham	Building awareness of natural gesture in a Key Word Sign Australia (KWSA) workshop and other AAC training. Cathy Basterfield	Problem Solving Support Team Communication Complexities Christine Porter	
2:50pm - 3:10pm				
2:50pm - 3:10pm	Access to Eyegaze Leanna Fox			
3:10pm - 3:40pm	Afternoon Tea			
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3:40pm - 5:20pm Explore Technology - Environmental Control	Exploring Service Design	Enquiry & Research	Easy Access Communication	
3:40pm - 4:00pm	The Holy Grail of AAC services - Creating services for people with CCN by design rather than the NDIS price guide. Janelle Sampson	Across the barricades of consent: building researcher capacity in AAC Betty Jean Dee-Price	Chewing gum peppermint and jumping eyes: An individualised approach to health and medication. Sheridan Forster	
4:00pm - 4:20pm		Getting the right funding: a pathway from AAC assessment and equipment trials through to funding success Karyn Muscat	Evidence of difference: Easy English - Easy Read Cathy Basterfield	
4:20pm - 4:40pm	Innovation and connection - using your speech generating device to explore and control your environment Jo Beech	Necessity is the mother of invention; exploring the unexpected positives of telehealth. Grace Scheiner, Helen Mcculloch	Information Accessibility of the NDIS Website: Readability and Usability Evaluation Jenna Cooper	
4:40pm - 5:00pm		Transdisciplinary practice and the role of the whole team in supporting communication development Jason Bomford, Kate Berchtold, Elle King		
5:00pm - 5:20pm	The Future of AAC is more likely to be Communication & Control (AACC) - Implications for SLP's and OT's Rob Wong, Alex Alvarado	Specialist Meal management clinic Candice Ballard	Digital Literacy. Not a new issue Cathy Basterfield	

Friday 3 September 2021					
Grand Ballroom					
8:50am - 9:00am	AGOSCI Welcome Darren Trentepohl				
9:00am - 9:10am	Rhys Linden Tribute				
9:10am - 10:00am	Keynote Speaker Address				
9:10am - 10:00am	Joseph Reynolds & Paige Schultz				
10:00am - 10:30am	Morning Tea and Poster Presentations				
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10:30am - 12:00pm	10:30am - 12:00pm	10:30am - 12:00pm	10:30am - 12:00pm		
Emergence with Mental Wellbeing	Emergence into Community	Communication Identity	Emergence with Mental Wellbeing		
10:30am - 10:50am	What is communication all about? Developing an online resource to promote access and participation. Interactive Workshop Alison Holm, Felicity Lovatt, Amy Fitzpatrick	A different way to challenge what is NON-VERBAL Janelle McMillan	A reason to communicate: AAC planning and engagement. Interactive Workshop Amanda Hartmann		
10:50am - 11:10am		Talking about the important stuff! Janelle Sampson, Margie Charlesworth			I Did it My Way John Wyllie
11:10am - 11:30am		Developing Emotional Competence and Emotional Literacy with AAC Eleanor Francis			My Life with AAC Matthew Horan
11:30am - 11:50am		Turning up the volume on emerging voices: Exploring the language needed for advocacy and how available this is to those who have a developmental disability and cannot rely on speech Laura Jones			Success with Sign: The value of sign language in our journey towards communicative competence Kathleen Johnston
11:50am - 12:00pm					
12:00pm - 12:50pm	Lunch				
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12:50pm - 2:50pm	12:50pm - 2:50pm	12:50pm - 2:50pm	12:50pm - 2:50pm		
Mental Health Panel Discussion	Helping Families Emerge	Being Social	AAC Access		
12:50pm - 1:30pm	12:50pm - 1:30pm	12:50pm - 1:30pm	12:50pm - 1:30pm		
Two PhD Doctors Who Use AAC discuss their experiences of Life Long Learning, Daryl Selwood, Melinda Smith	To all the therapists I've loved before: One families reflections... Melissa Riepsamen, Caroline Kiefer	AACConnection for young adults! Jenna O'Brien, Rachel Harkin	Engaging in Eye Gaze: Access All Learning Areas Tanith Brien		
1:30pm - 2:10pm	1:30pm - 2:10pm	1:30pm - 2:10pm	1:30pm - 2:10pm		
Mental Health Panel - Facilitated by Dr Jo Watson Eleanor Watson, Margie Charlesworth, Janelle McMillan, Natasha Cloak, Monica Rowland	Support families on their AAC journey Amanda Hartmann	Comm Group on Zoom" - Explorers with complex communication needs Dale Gonelli	Core Vocabulary and Tangible Symbols: A Case Study Jane Farrall, Lee Murray		
2:10pm - 2:30pm	2:10pm - 2:30pm	2:10pm - 2:30pm	2:10pm - 2:30pm		
	It's more important than you think: how to build a successful parent, speech pathologist partnership. Jenna O'Brien, Kylie Barsby	Building Peer Relationships Hannah Gutke, Noosha Hodgen, Julie Franklin, Danielle Chapman	Beyond Boardmaker - a conversation about other image sets and photos Cathy Basterfield		
2:30pm - 2:50pm			Megan's Journey from Choosing to Successfully Using a New AAC Device Leanne Shane		
2:50pm - 3:10pm	Afternoon Tea				
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Emergence into Community	Speak Up & Be Safe	Emergence into Community	Helping Families Emerge		
3:10pm - 3:30pm	3:10pm - 3:30pm	3:10pm - 3:30pm	AAC first steps! Jenna O'Brien, Eleanor Francis		
My Eureka Moment! Fiona Given	Royal Commission Update	Introducing the Communication Access Symbol to New South Wales Katrina McNamee			
3:30pm - 3:50pm	Supported Decision Making – What it takes through the lens of a social model of disability Marissa Carlyon, Su-Hsien Lee	Communication Safari: Engaging with the community to build inclusive practices Tracey Hanigan, Kathryn Burrige			
3:50pm - 4:10pm	Speak Up and be Safe from Abuse: Developing resources to support people with communication support needs to learn about and discuss abuse and neglect Elizabeth Weston	Let's engage: sharing and promoting AAC in the community, Annette Counsell	Pretend play and AAC. How pretence relates to language development for AAC users. Eleanor Francis, Donna Davidson		
4:10pm - 4:30pm	4:10pm - 4:30pm	4:10pm - 4:30pm	AAC-ing Language Through Play: Building Capacity and Language Through Play Based Learning. Emma Goldston, Kate Lonne		
Building a Culture of Communication in residential disability services Bronwen Jones	Communication Impairment as a Disability Leanna Fox, Fiona Given	Chat Groups Alix Robinson, Candice Ballard, Nadine Davies			
4:30pm - 4:50pm					
4:50pm - 5:10pm			Easy ways to engage and empower parents and expand AAC success Kathleen Johnston		
5:10pm - 5:30pm					
7:00pm - 11:00pm	Conference Dinner				



Saturday 4 September 2021				
Grand Ballroom				
9:00am - 10:15am	Keynote Speaker Address and AGOSCI Awards			
9:00am - 10:00am	Literacy for All Jane Farrall			
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10:45am - 12:15pm	Education - Equipped for Inclusion	Education - Equipped for Inclusion	Explore Technology	Explore Technology
10:45am - 12:15pm	Writing: It's Such a Drag – or is it? Jane Farrall, Nicholas Drover	We're here to teach: embedding AAC into the curriculum Amanda Hartmann, Shannon Braithwaite	All about LAMP therapy - goals, data, device set up and implementation ideas Leanna Fox	Exploring Snap Core First: Finding out what is possible Amy Litton, Charlene Cullen, Jessica Kennedy
12:15pm - 1:00pm	Lunch			
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1:00pm - 2:20pm	Education - Communication Goal Setting	Education - Relationship & Autonomy	Education - Communication Culture	Build Foundations to Engage
1:00pm - 1:40pm	Informed and guided goal setting in AAC - A process that uses the ROCC Assessment to support school teams to write meaningful and achievable goals with targeted strategies Janelle Sampson	Meaning-making in interactions with students who use AAC in the school context Erna Alant	Don't stop us now: overcoming barriers to AAC in schools. Amanda Hartmann, Shannon Braithwaite	Exploring new opportunities and possibilities, using high tech AAC. Jo Beech
1:40pm - 2:00pm	Working together to build foundations for student AAC goal setting Tracey Hanigan, Terry Mawbey	Autonomy in Decision Making (AiDEM): A summary of the key outcomes and resources from a school focussed project Ashley Harling	Sunshine of change: a framework for implementing a whole school approach to AAC language immersion Liesl Harper	From Woe to Go; Building Foundations for the AAC Journey Grace Scheiner, Helen McCulloch
2:00pm - 2:20pm	Red Hill Special School ROCCs! Amanda Hall, Susan Cassidy	Finding a Voice Through Creative Writing Melinda Smith	Exploring AAC and literacy access through the lens of Child-Safe Cultures of Communication Laura Jones	
2:20pm - 2:45pm	Afternoon Tea			
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2:45pm - 3:55pm	Education - Technology Innovation	Education - Equipped for Inclusion	Education - Communication Culture	Explore Technology
2:45pm - 3:25pm	Using Video Self Modelling (VSM) to teach AAC skills and functional communication Anthea Naylor	Inclusive EducAAction: School Inclusion for Students with Complex Communication Needs Amelia Edwards	Supporting AAC in Schools - A team based approach with educators, speech pathology and parent involvement Leanna Fox	Making Data Work for Your Goals: Using mainstream programs alongside data analysis software to analyse language samples Emily Swanson
3:25pm - 3:45pm	The use of video to change the mindset around inclusive education for people with complex communication needs: A pilot Abirami Thirumanickam	Malachi masters Mainstream! Kelly Savage	Effective strategies to increase the use of AAC in special schools - examples from Greater Western Sydney Betty Campbell	Making Your Own Assessments Rosie Crossley
3:45pm - 4:05pm	AAC and Coding in a Special School Mel Bakes			
4:05pm - 4:10pm	Break			
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4:10pm - 4:30pm	Closing Ceremony			