



INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPTIC CONGRESS 2025

Brisbane Convention Centre
27-29 June 2025

FRIDAY JUNE 27

OPENING CEREMONY

8:30-8:40	Indigenous representative	Welcome to Country
8:40-8:50	Jan Roelof Polling	Welcome: IOA President
8:50-8:55	Jane Schuller	Welcome: LOC Chair
8:55-9:00	Joel Hyndman	Welcome: CSPC Chair

Block 1 - THEME: BURIAN LECTURE

9:00-9:10	Jan Roelof Polling	Introduction of Burian Lecturer
9:10-10:00	Fiona Rowe	Burian Lecture: "A Vision for Vision"

10:00-10:30

MORNING TEA

Block 2 - THEME: IOA SCOPE OF PRACTICE

10:30-11:00	Birgit Wahl	IOA Orthoptic Scope of Practice Launch
11:00-11:15	Q & A	

Block 3 - THEME: ADVANCED ORTHOPTIC PRACTICE

Moderated by Melanie Lai and Craig Murray

11:15-11:20	Moderators	Opening remarks
11:20-11:30	Catherine Mancuso	The Australian Orthoptic Landscape – Scope of Practice in a Melbourne Public Hospital
11:30-11:40	Debra Gleeson	The Advanced Practice Orthoptic Pilot (APOP) in an Acute Ophthalmology Clinic at the RVEEH Melbourne
11:40-11:50	Vincent Nguyen	Low Vision Orthoptics: More than just a magnifier
11:50-12:00	Danielle Morgan	I-SHARE Project: Improving information sharing and patient experience at Sydney Eye Hospital
12:00-12:10	Craig Murray	Advancing the Orthoptic Profession: The British and Irish Orthoptic Society Workforce and Education Reform Programme
12:10-12:20	Kristina Alexander	Extending Further – An Orthoptist's experience of implementing an Advanced Clinical Practitioner clinic in Paediatric Ophthalmology
12:20-12:25	Moderator	Closing Remarks

12:30-13:30

LUNCH

Block 4 - THEME: NEURO-ORTHOPTICS

Moderated by Lauren Hepworth and Sandra Staffieri

13:30-13:35	Moderators	Opening Remarks
13:35-13:45	Sonia Lau	Providing person-centred orthoptic care for those with co-occurring visual and communication impairments
13:45-13:55	Marianne Coleman	Improving eyecare experiences for people living with dementia
13:55-14:05	Konstandina Koklanis	Prevalence of post-concussion vision difficulties in children and adolescents: A systematic review.
14:05-14:15	Konstandina Koklanis	Practice Patterns of Orthoptists in Post-Concussion Vision Care in Australia
14:15-14:20	Moderator	Closing Remarks

Block 5 - THEME: LOW VISION

Moderated by Kerry Fitzmaurice and Gemma Arblaster

14:20-14:25	Moderators	Opening Remarks
14:25-14:35	Gemma Arblaster	Experiences of acute hospital care for older people living with visual impairment
14:35-14:45	Meri Vukicevic	Functional vision and vision-related quality of life of patients with peri-foveal geographic atrophy
14:45-14:55	Holly Kelly	Digital literacy and low vision.
14:55-15:05	Nadine McArthur	Search Listening in the Support of the Low Vision Patient
15:05-15:15	Vincent Nguyen	Outcomes of Low Vision Service Delivery via a Novel Telepractice Model for Rural and Remote Populations in Australia
15:15-15:25	Wenjing Su	Enhancing Empathy in Vision Care Through VR Simulations of Central Vision Loss
15:25-15:30	Moderator	Closing remarks

15:30-16:00

AFTERNOON TEA

Block 6 - THEME: EDUCATION

Moderated by Jignasa Mehta and Sara Flodin

16:00-16:05	Moderators	Opening Remarks
16:05-16:15	Karzan Hughes	Service-user experience of the Microsoft Hololens for live-streaming patient consultations in the Orthoptic clinic
16:15-16:25	Birgit Wahl	Is an international educational buddy scheme through online orthoptic tutorials beneficial for students?
16:25-16:35	Michelle Courtney-Harris	An Interprofessional collaborative learning experience through the eyes of health care students
16:35-16:45	Natalia Kelly	Enhancing clinical education through vision screening for children with hearing impairment.
16:45-16:55	Craig Murray	The BIOS Workforce and Education Development Programme: Pre-registration orthoptists attitudes to preceptorship and transitioning from study to qualified clinician
16:55-17:00	Moderator	Closing Remarks

17:00-19:00

WELCOME RECEPTION

SATURDAY JUNE 28

Block 7 - THEME: VISION SCREENING

Moderated by Anna Horwood and Mythili Ilango

8:20-8:25	Moderator	Opening Remarks
8:25-8:35	Miriam Langeslag-Smith	Where are we now - Comparing preschool vision screening outcomes 13 years apart
8:35-8:45	Olivia Staffieri	Vision Screening Programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children: A Scoping Review
8:45-8:55	Karin Waldhauser	Orthoptic Screening in Preverbal Age: Lessons from 18 Years of Experience and a Pandemic
8:55-9:05	Kathryn Rose	Visual Acuity Results Measured by HOTV and Tumbling E EDTRS Charts in Chinese Children
9:05-9:10	Moderator	Closing Remarks

Block 8 - THEME: VISUAL FIELDS

Moderated by Birgit Wahl and Karzan Hughes

9:10-9:15	Moderator	Opening Remarks
9:15-9:25	Nissi Faith Obra	Hand Gesture Perimetry: A Novel Method of Visual Field Testing in an Augmented Virtual Environment
9:25-9:35	Joyce Tiang	Outcomes of Artificial Intelligence (AI)-Enabled Melbourne Rapid Fields (MRF) Online Perimeter in Home Monitoring for Glaucoma
9:35-9:45	Jacinta Walz	Removing barriers to care with virtual-reality-based perimetry
9:45-9:55	Fiona Rowe	Peripheral kinetic visual field assessment as a measure for presence of functional visual field
9:55-10:00	Moderator	Closing Remarks

10:00-10:30

MORNING TEA

Block 9 - THEME: PEDIATRICS

Moderated by Lachlan Knight and Sue Silveira

10:30-10:35	Moderator	Opening Remarks
10:35-10:45	Payal Khandelwal	High-quality amblyopia research in paediatric orthoptic community services: enablers and barriers
10:45-10:55	Dipesh Patel	Low vs. high intensity occlusion therapy for mild/moderate amblyopia: Feasibility RCT outcomes
10:55-11:05	Sue Silveira	Exploring the playground experience when supervising children with vision impairment.
11:05-11:15	Natalia Kelly	Visual-auditory stimulation intervention in children with cerebral vision impairment (CVI)
11:15-11:25	Navdeep Kaur	Starving their sight: ocular complications from nutritional deficiencies
11:25-11:30	Moderator	Closing Remarks

Block 10 - THEME: OPHTHALMIC TECHNOLOGY

Moderated by Meri Vukicevic and Mitchell Bagley

11:30-11:35	Moderator	Opening Remarks
11:35-11:45	Amanda Moore	Invisible Retinoblastoma: Optical Coherence Tomography Aids Diagnosis

11:45-11:55	Mitchell Bagley	A Novel Approach to Indocyanine Green and Fluorescein Angiography using the Clarus 700 ICG Prototype
11:55-12:05	Tram Nguyen	Using technology to drive practice change: how new technology may impact patient surgery selection
12:05-12:15	Sonia Toor	The effectiveness of tele-appointments in the management of young adults undergoing orthoptic exercises
12:15-12:25	Monica Lette	SeeWay: The first truly co-designed patient responsive online tool for people with low vision: pilot findings
12:25-12:30	Moderator	Closing Remarks

12:30-13:30	LUNCH
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Block 11 - NEURO-ORTHOPTICS: CHALLENGING CASES AND PANEL DISCUSSION		
<i>Moderated by Gill Roper-Hall</i>		
13:30-14:30	Moderator	Opening Remarks
	Gill Roper-Hall	Panel Discussion
	Jan Roelof Polling	
	Renne Hernandez	
	Shivanand Sheth	
	Martin Wasik	

Block 12 - THEME: ORTHOPTIC-LED MODELS OF CARE		
<i>Moderated by Catherine Mancuso and Sonia Toor</i>		
14:30-14:35	Moderator	Opening Remarks
14:35-14:45	Jessica Crippa	Evaluating the Success of Orthoptic-Led Clinics: A Decade of Integrated Eye Care at The Children's Eye Centre
14:45-14:55	Jennifer Earl	Introduction of an orthoptic-led paediatric chalazion clinic: a service review
14:55-15:05	Kylie Robinson	OSOP- Orthoptic Led Surgical Post-op Clinic; The Why, The How, The Result
15:05-15:15	Melanie Lai	An economic evaluation of orthoptic-led services in the collaborative care of glaucoma
15:15-15:25	Sandra Staffieri	The orthoptist and retinoblastoma: beyond the consulting room door.
15:25-15:30	Moderator	Closing remarks

15:30-16:00	AFTERNOON TEA
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Block 13 - THEME: APSPOS SYMPOSIUM: PAEDIATRIC IMAGING		
<i>Moderated by Deepa Taranath</i>		
16:00-17:00	Moderator	Opening remarks
	Stephanie Crofts / Katie Geering	How to obtain good images in children- Tips and tricks
	Deepa Taranath	Fundus photography and Fluorescein Angiography in children
	Caroline Catt	OCT in children
	Rasha Altaie	Corneal topography and anterior segment imaging
	Susie Luu	Biometry and Ultrasound in children

18:00-20:00	CONGRESS DINNER
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SUNDAY JUNE 29

Block 14 - THEME: BINOCULAR VISION

Moderated by Linda Colpa and Katherine Fray

8:10-8:15	Moderator: TBD	Opening Remarks
8:15-8:25	Sonia Toor	A comparison of tests to monitor the change in accommodation after close work
8:25-8:35	Jignasa Mehta	Effect of monocular impaired visual acuity across digital and non-digital stereotests
8:35-8:45	Kylie Gran	Comparing Latent Strabismus in Children According to Learning Difficulty Status: A Prospective Case-Control Cross-Sectional Study
8:45-8:55	Rani Bahho	The Relationship between Motor Fusion and Stereoacuity in Adults with Normal Binocular Single Vision
8:55-9:00	Moderator:	Closing Remarks

Block 15 - THEME: ISA SYMPOSIUM: WHEN THE HEAD POSTURE IS THE MAIN CONCERN

Moderated by Andrea Molinari

9:00-10:00	Fiona Rowe	Assessment of the anomalous head posture
	Daisy Godts	Non-surgical management of the anomalous head posture
	Claudia Yahalom	Anomalous head posture in patients with nystagmus
	Jonathan Holmes	Head posture in thyroid eye disease
	Lional Kowal	Uncommon causes of anomalous head posture
	Andrea Molinari	Paradoxical head tilt in 4th nerve palsy

10:00-10:30

MORNING TEA

Block 16 - THEME: STRABISMUS

Moderated by Dr. Frank Martin and Kyle Arnoldi

10:30-10:35	Moderator: TBD	Opening Remarks
10:35-10:45	Marieke Telleman	Orbital fracture reconstruction improves stereoacuity and ocular alignment: a retrospective cohort study
10:45-10:55	Gemma Arblaster	A retrospective review of Harada Ito surgical procedures for superior oblique palsy
10:55-11:05	Jane Schuller	Cavernous Conundrums
11:05-11:15	Carrie Griffiths	Medial Rectus Metastasis in Advanced Breast Cancer: A Case Study
11:15-11:25	Jennifer Earl	Improving strabismus care: A service review of an orthoptic-led paediatric squint listing clinic
11:25-11:30	Moderator:	Closing Remarks

Block 17 - THEME: REFRACTIVE ERROR

Moderated by Felicia Adinanto and Kathryn Rose

11:30-11:35	Moderator: TBD	Opening Remarks
11:35-11:45	Mythili Ilango	Use of Visual Acuity to Screen for Significant Refractive Errors in Preschool Children
11:45-11:55	Gareth Lingham	"Biometry equivalent refraction" as a screening tool for refractive error in children
11:55-12:05	Vijay Tailor-Hamblin	Low concentration atropine affects near point of accommodation, but not near visual acuity

12:05-12:15	Jan Roelof Polling	Treatment of childhood myopia: Is combination therapy better than atropine alone?
12:15-12:25	Manjushri Yuan Rou Lee	Managing Acute Acquired Comitant Esotropia – Effects of Reduced Myopic Prescription
12:25-12:30	Moderator:	Closing Remarks

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Block 18 - THEME: MYOPIA SESSION		
<i>Moderated by Amanda French and Gareth Lingham</i>		
13:30-13:35	Moderator: Amanda French	Opening Remarks
13:35-13:45	Ian Morgan	The epidemic of myopia and the impact of education
13:45-13:55	Amanda French	Preventing myopia through modulation of time outdoors and near work
13:55-14:05	Kathryn Rose	The mechanisms for environmental risk factors
14:05-14:15	Jason Yam	Management of myopia: atropine and red light therapy
14:15-14:25	Felicia Adinanto	Impact of childhood myopia on ocular alignment
14:25-14:40	All	Panel Discussion

Block 19 - THEME: STROKE		
<i>Moderated by Fiona Rowe and Shanelle Sorbello</i>		
14:45-14:50	Moderator: TBD	Opening Remarks
14:50-15:00	Fiona Rowe	European Stroke Organisation Vision Guidelines: Recommendations for assessment and rehabilitation
15:00-15:10	Shanelle Sorbello	Development of the New South Wales Post-stroke Vision Care Framework
15:10-15:20	Lauren Hepworth	Evolution of Orthoptic Stroke Services in the UK and Ireland
15:20-15:30	Lauren Hepworth	Patient Reported Impact of Post-Stroke Visual Impairment
15:30-15:40	Rusmiza Binti Amin	Prevalence of post-stroke visual impairment: A systematic review and meta-analysis
15:40-15:45	Moderator:	Closing remarks

CLOSING CEREMONY		
15:45-16:00	JR Polling Joel Hyndman	IOA AWARDS Closing remarks