

# World Indigenous Peoples' Conference on Viral Hepatitis

14–16 September 2014

Alice Springs Convention Centre

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# REGISTRATION

HELD BACK-TO-BACK WITH THE 9TH AUSTRALASIAN VIRAL HEPATITIS CONFERENCE



We are holding a **World Indigenous Peoples' Conference on Viral Hepatitis** on 14–16 September 2014 in Alice Springs, Australia, back-to-back with the 9th Australasian Viral Hepatitis Conference September 17–19.

The vision for the Conference is to be a forum to examine the health burden of viral hepatitis in Indigenous peoples', to share common experiences and innovative solutions and to develop new relationships which enable collective responses into the future. This is intended to be the first of a series of such meetings.

The program will reflect the breadth of work underway in this area, spanning human rights, development, community engagement, basic science research, clinical service provision, healthcare delivery and public health and prevention. The involvement of Indigenous peoples' in all aspects of the project will be key to its success.

Our Australia hosts, the Arrernte people of Mparntwe (Alice Springs), will welcome delegates to their land on the Sunday evening prior to the start of the conference. All delegates are invited to attend the ceremony which will be followed by an outdoor dinner.

**Co-Convenors:** Associate Professor James Ward (Australia) and Professor Chris Cunningham (New Zealand)

**If you would like to be kept up to date with Conference information** please send your expression of interest to the Conference Secretariat.

Conference Secretariat

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## REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Final Registration and Accommodation  
Booking Deadline: **8 August 2014**

To confirm your attendance, each delegate must register online via the conference website. The online registration deadline is **4 September 2014**. Please see the website for further information on cancellation policies.

Registration rates apply to attend both the World Indigenous Peoples' Conference on Viral Hepatitis and the 9th Australasian Viral Hepatitis Conference; these rates can be viewed on the website.

We recommend you book your accommodation and travel requirements as soon as possible. Great accommodation rates have been negotiated for Conference attendees. These can be viewed on our website and booked through the registration system.

For things to do and see whilst in Alice Springs please refer to the General Information tabs on the [Conference website](#).

For further information on hotels and their locations please refer to the [Conference Website](#).

HEPATITIS IS ALL OUR BUSINESS LETS  
WORK AT GETTING IT UNDER CONTROL

ARTWORK INTERPRETATION: There is a young man in the centre with too many partners from different communities and he needs to feel responsible and man enough to go and get himself checked out. The community clinics are signified by the circles with people sitting around (health workers).





## PROGRAM

The Conference Committee are currently working on the program which will contain:

### PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE

Bringing together members of the Indigenous populations of the world, this first gathering of the World’s Indigenous Peoples’ to discuss Viral Hepatitis has four major aims:

- To discuss our knowledge of the prevalence of hepatitis viruses in Indigenous Peoples’; across the globe and to summarise current national activities;
- To deliberate and produce a consensus statement on Viral Hepatitis and Indigenous Peoples’ to assist nations, states, clinicians, researchers, scientists, people living with hepatitis, and indigenous communities, to address viral hepatitis;
- To inaugurate an International Committee with membership from Indigenous Peoples’ across the globe;
- To develop an on-going agenda for 2015-2025 for future conferences, workshops and symposia.

## THEMES OF THE CONFERENCE

The conference will focus on Hepatitis B (HBV) and Hepatitis C (HCV) across a broad agenda from clinical medicine and research, health services and public health, through to self-determination and human rights. Specifically we have invites papers to be delivered orally in 15 minute sessions from **indigenous people**.

During the conference we will host a caucus of Indigenous Peoples’ to finalise a Consensus Statement, formulate an agenda for 2015-2025, and inaugurate an International Committee (World Indigenous Forum on Viral Hepatitis).

Ensure you check back to the Conference website on a regular basis for updates on the program which will be released soon. *Note: The program is subject to change.*



ASSOCIATED EVENTS

WELCOME RECEPTION
WHEN: Sunday 14 September 2014
WHERE: Alice Springs Telegraph Station
Experience the Alice Springs of old at the Telegraph Station. Established in 1872, the Adelaide to Darwin overland Telegraph line was established to bridge the isolation and communication gap between Australian towns and cities as well as Australia with other countries. The Telegraph Station was the first site of European settlement in Alice Springs where it was in service for 60 years before becoming a school for indigenous children. The telegraph line played a pivotal role in Australia’s history and with 12 stations along the line, the Alice Springs Station is the most well preserved of them all.
COST: Delegate Registration = Free / Guest Ticket = \$88
NETWORKING RECEPTION
WHEN: Tuesday 16 September 2014
WHERE: Alice Springs Convention Centre
A Networking Reception will conclude the Conference where delegates can unwind with new and old colleagues.
COST: Delegate Registration = Free / Guest Ticket = \$88
INFORMAL BBQ
WHEN: Monday 15 September 2014
WHERE: Alice Springs Desert Park
With a spectacular view of the MacDonnell Ranges, seasonal wild flowers and striking foliage of the desert flora, Desert Park has that natural bush feel. Immerse yourself in the beauty and mystery of Australia’s deserts. Wander through the ancient landscape. Experience the animals of the night. Discover the diversity of desert plants. Be inspired by ancient living cultures with local Aboriginal guides. Marvel at the energy and spirit of free flying birds.
COST: Delegate Registration = Free / Guest Ticket = \$110

A full list of social functions for both the World Indigenous Peoples’ Conference on Viral Hepatitis and Australasian Viral Hepatitis Conference can be viewed on the website.

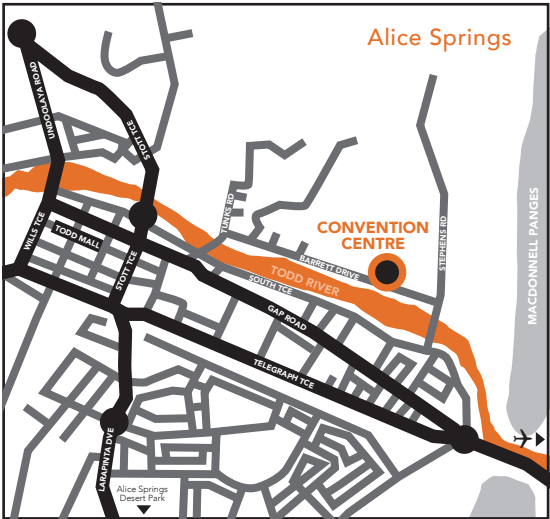


VENUE

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LOCATION



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COLLABORATORS

