



Influenza Specialist Group

2013 Program

Annual Scientific Meeting

3 & 4 February 2013

Park Royal Hotel – Melbourne Airport

Day One: Sunday 3 February 2013
Macedon Room

5.00pm **Welcome and introduction**
Prof Lou Irving – Meeting Chair
Director of Respiratory Medicine, Melbourne Health & ISG Director

5.10pm **Antiviral use in nursing homes**
Prof Robert Booy
Head of Clinical Research, National Centre for Immunisation Research & Surveillance of Vaccine Preventable Diseases (NCIRS), Sydney & ISG Director

Updates: What's new in flu'

5.35pm **Progress with adjuvanted influenza vaccines**
Dr Paul Van Buynder
Chief Medical Officer, Fraser Health Authority, British Columbia, Canada

6.20pm **The SAGE recommendations**
Prof Terry Nolan
Head of the Vaccine & Immunisation Research Group (VIRGo), a joint initiative of the University of Melbourne School of Population Health & Murdoch Children's Research Institute

Updates: New Vaccines

7.10pm **Cross protection epitopes & possible application to universal vaccines and antibody therapy**
Prof Lorena Brown
Department of Microbiology & Immunology, University of Melbourne

7.35pm **New influenza vaccines in the pipeline**
Dr Gary Grohmann
Director Immunobiology, Office of Laboratories & Scientific Services, Monitoring & Compliance Group, Therapeutic Goods Administration. Adjunct A/Professor, Immunology & Infectious Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Central Clinical School, University of Sydney

New Innovations

8.15pm **How E-Health affects the way consumers make decisions and manage their health - Results from multiple empirical studies**
Dr Annie Lau
Research Fellow, Centre for Health Informatics, Australian Institute of Health Innovation, University of NSW

8.45pm **Summary and overview**
Professor Lou Irving

9.00pm **Close**

Day Two: Monday 4 February 2013
Victoria Ballroom

- 8.50am **Welcome and introduction**
Prof Lou Irving – Meeting Chair
Director of Respiratory Medicine, Melbourne Health & ISG Director
- 9.00am **Flu epidemiology update**
Dr Ian Barr
Deputy Director, WHO Collaborating Centre for Reference & Research on Influenza, Melbourne
- 9.15am **Paediatric vaccination - Risk benefit**
Prof Heath Kelly
Head of Epidemiology and Surveillance, the Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory (VIDRL), Melbourne
- 9.40am **Vaccinations during pregnancy: dyad, cocoon and herd**
Dr Elizabeth McCarthy
Obstetrician at the Perinatal Centre, Mercy Hospital for Women & Senior Lecturer, University of Melbourne
- 10.05am **Adverse events reporting update**
Dr Bronwen Harvey
Head, Signal Investigation (Medicines), Unit Office of Product Review, Therapeutic Goods Administration

Mandatory Health Care Worker Vaccination or Mask Policies

- 11.10am **The British Columbia experience**
Dr Paul Van Buynder
Chief Medical Officer, Fraser Health Authority, British Columbia, Canada
- 11.35am **Panel discussion**
Discussion chair – Dr Rod Pearce AM, *Adelaide and country GP, Member of ATAGI and Medical Officer, Eastern Health Authority and Royal District Nursing Service, ISG Director*
- Dr Paul Van Buynder
 - Ms Kathryn Franks, *6th year Medical student, James Cook University.*
 - A/Prof John Litt, *Discipline of General Practice, Flinders University & public health physician*
 - Dr Holly Seale, *Senior Research Fellow, School of Public Health & Community Medicine, University of NSW*
 - A/Prof Allen Cheng, *Infectious Diseases Epidemiology, Department of Epidemiology & Preventive Medicine, Monash University & Infectious Diseases Physician, Alfred Hospital*

Influenza and the Role of Pneumococcal Vaccination

- 12.10pm **Adult**
A/Prof Peter Richmond
School of Paediatrics & Child Health, University of WA
- 12.30pm **Paediatric**
Dr Nigel Crawford
Medical Head of Immunisation Services, Royal Children's Hospital. Deputy Director, SAEFVIC, Murdoch Children's Research Institute

Vaccination Delivery Workshop

- 2.00pm **Vaccination in pharmacies**
Dr Shane Jackson
Tasmanian Branch President, Pharmaceutical Society of Australia
- 2.10pm **Pharmacy perspective**
Mr Si Banks
NSW Branch President, Pharmacy Guild of Australia
- 2.20pm **A GP's perspective**
A/Prof John Litt
Discipline of General Practice, Flinders University & public health physician
- 2.30pm **In the workplace, schools and universities**
Ms Kerryn Lajoie
Tutor, Immunisation Course for Registered Nurses, Royal college of Nursing; Vaccinations Onsite; ISG Director
- 2.40pm **Panel discussion**
Discussion Chair – Dr Alan Hampson, *OAM & Chairman of ISG.*
- Dr Shane Jackson
 - Mr Si Banks
 - A/Prof John Litt
 - Ms Kerryn Lajoie
 - Mr Michael Batchelor - *Manager, Immunisation, Health Protection, Department of Health, Vic.*
 - Genine Cowell – *Consumer Advocate*
- 3.50pm **The ISG in 2013**
Mr Kim Sampson¹ & Ms Susanne Sperber-Pflaumer²
¹*CEO of the ISG*
²*ISG Communications Specialist*
- 4.10pm **Summary and overview**
Prof Lou Irving
- 4.20pm **Close**