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900 health professionals expected to attend Conference hosted by College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists



Over 900 health professionals from around the world are expected to attend the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RANZCOG) 2009 Annual Scientific Meeting which will be held in conjunction with the XXIst Asian and Oceanic Congress of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (AOCOG 2009) in Auckland, New Zealand, at the Sky City Convention Centre from today, Thursday 26 March until Monday 30 March 2009.

'The Asia and Oceania Federation of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and the RANZCOG have prepared an interactive program featuring world class speakers and a host of vibrant speakers from the Asia and Oceania region designed to stimulate thinking around the theme of *Women Well into the Future*', said Chairman of the Combined Organising Committee, Professor Peter Stone.

Attracting obstetricians, gynaecologists, medical trainees, GP-obstetricians, midwives and other health professionals from across Australia, New Zealand, London, America, Switzerland and Thailand, the meeting will showcase over four days of presentations from overseas and interstate presenters, who provide current thinking on all the main areas of obstetrics and gynaecology.

Keynote speakers at the conference:

- Professor Siladitya Bhattacharya, United Kingdom
- Professor Christopher B-Lynch, United Kingdom
- Professor David Grimes, United States of America-
- Professor Pisake Lumbiganon, Thailand.
- Mr Tim Child, United Kingdom
- Professor Nicholas Fisk, Australia
- Dr Metin Gülmezoglu, Switzerland

Key seminar topics:

- *Smoking Cessation in Pregnancy*
- *Robots & Women: Do They Mix?*
- *Testing for HPV: Should We Do It?*
- *Developments in Genetics – What's New for O and G?*
- *Controversies in the Management of Multiple Pregnancies*
- *Role of Acupuncture in Reproductive Medicine*
- *In Vitro Maturation – What Is It About?*
- *Caesarean Delivery For All – The Implications?*
- *All Pelvic Pain is Endometriosis? True or False*
- Chris Bullen
- Suresh Nair
- CN Purandare
- Andrew Shelling
- Nicholas Fisk
- Ernest Ng
- Tim Child
- Jenny King
- Wayne Gillett



Key seminar topics:

- *The Impact of Obesity on Pregnancy Outcomes* - Lesley McCowan
- *Fetal Growth in Obese Patients* - Graham Parry
- *Contraception Following Abortion* - Helen Roberts
- *Medical Abortion – Is It Safer?* - Pak-Chung Ho
- *What Impact is Delayed Childbearing Having On Women's Health in Early Pregnancy?* - Deidre Gartland
- *The Prevalence and Implications of Overweight & Obesity In a Rural Australian Obstetric Population* - Glyn Teale
- *Evaluation of Chronic Hypertension in Pregnant Young Women* - Joana De Sousa
- *Does Pregnancy Affect Memory & Attention? A Cross Sectional Study* - Lenore Ellett
- *Women and HIV Infection* - Mark Thomas
- *The Global Epidemic of Type 2 Diabetes: Some Implications for Obstetrics* - Paul Drury

For a copy of the meeting program: www.aocogranzcoq2009.co.nz/

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