

MEDIA ALERT Saturday 28 October 2023

Cancer experts convene in Melbourne

Breast and gynaecological cancers a focus for the Clinical Oncology Society of Australia's 50th Annual Scientific Meeting.

1-3 November 2023 Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre <u>Program | Invited Speakers</u>

Breast cancer and gynaecological cancers will be the main disease focus as experts from all over the country gather for the 50th Clinical Oncology Society of Australia's Annual Scientific Meeting in Melbourne this week. The program features much more than breast and gynae cancers, just like COSA's multidisciplinary membership.

The COSA Annual Scientific Meeting is Australia's premier cancer meeting, and unlike other meetings, it brings together all health professionals who work in cancer care and control – oncologists, nurses, pharmacists, allied health professionals, scientists, policy makers and patient advocates. This gives valuable patient-focused perspectives for professionals who otherwise rarely meet.

The theme for this landmark meeting is **50 years of innovation in cancer care: Learning** *from the past to inspire the future*.

As well as discussing emerging best practices in cancer treatment, the program highlights aspects of the patient's cancer journey that are sometimes overlooked.

Key topics in the program include:

- **Financial toxicity** the often overwhelming cost impact of living with cancer and treating it
- The growing recognition of the role of **exercise and nutrition** in an optimal cancer treatment regime
- Fertility preservation
- Sexuality and sexual health through the treatment journey.
- Cancer survivorship
- Older people with cancer
- **Decarbonising oncology** in Australia

Top multidisciplinary national and international speakers will present the latest research and developments in cancer to 1,000 delegates, with a focus on the science, education, health services, treatments, supportive care, and epidemiology.

When:1-3 November 2023Where:Melbourne Convention & Exhibition CentreX / Twitter:#COSA23 @COSAoncology



A PDF of embargoed abstracts being presented is available. For inquiries, interviews and access to spokespeople, or to seek media accreditation, contact:

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About COSA

The Clinical Oncology Society of Australia (COSA) is Australia's peak multidisciplinary society for health professionals working in cancer research, treatment, rehabilitation and palliative care. COSA is recognised as an activist organisation whose views are valued in all aspects of cancer care. We are allied with and provide high-level clinical advice to Cancer Council Australia.

For more information, see our website.