



AGOSCI 13th Biennial Conference

17-20 May 2017

The Grand Hyatt, Melbourne, VIC Australia



AGOSCI Pre-conference one day workshops May 17th 2017 include:



Talking Mats Foundation Course with Lois Cameron and Nicki Ewing

Date: Wednesday 17 May 2017

Presenters: Lois Cameron and Nicky Ewing

Workshop Fee: \$220.00

Time: 9.00am – 4.30pm

Venue: Grand Hyatt Melbourne, 123 Collins Street (Nearest train stations are Flinders Street Station and Parliament Station)

The workshop will provide:

- Background information,
- Hands on experience of using Talking Mats,
- Useful models to think about communication and the complexity of language
- Using Talking Mats in real life situations
- Planning how to develop its use in participants' own work environment



There will be film footage of a range of people with communication difficulties using Talking Mats.



Partner training in AAC with Cathy Binger

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Presenter: Cathy Binger

Workshop Fee: \$220.00

Time: 9.00am – 4.30pm

Venue: Grand Hyatt Melbourne, 123 Collins Street (Nearest train stations are Flinders Street Station and Parliament Station)

This one day workshop will include:

- The role of AAC in communication and developing language-based objective
- Creating communication opportunities for clients who use AAC
- Troubleshooting techniques for clients who use AAC
- Communication partner instruction
 - Selecting skills to teach communication partners
 - Communication Partner Instruction: Exploration of the ImPAACT Program
- Life After PECS

AGOSCI is interested in enhancing the participation of all people with complex communication needs. AGOSCI has established a reputation for inspiring conference delegates. Be challenged to think about your **readiness** to support, engage and involve people with complex communication needs in all aspects of life. The conference will **set** the standards for functional communication support. And conference delegates will learn what **AAction** is needed to create a more welcoming society for people with communication support needs.

Check the website for details: www.AGOSCI.org.au