

eviDent Annual Meeting - Amazing Work Being Done

The 6th eviDent Dental Practice Based Research Network (DPBRN) Annual Meeting was a great success, with this year's program including:

- The first ever presentation from the Anterior Adhesive Bridges project
- Practice tips from eviDent projects
- The announcement of the winner of eviDent's first project ideas competition
- A summary snapshot of current project ideas, and the chance for attendees to suggest others.

Attended by eviDent Associate Investigators, Chief Investigators, Research Collaborators, Board and Committee members, ADAVB Councillors, and other invited guests, it was a fantastic evening, and great to see all enjoying the interactive program and networking opportunity. One guest commented, 'amazing work being done'.

Attendees were fortunate to hear A/Prof Abuzar report on the much anticipated findings from the project, 'Investigation of Longevity of Anterior Resin Bonded Bridges', highlighting that the results of this research demonstrate that Anterior Resin Bonded Bridges can be used as a successful long-term prosthetic solution for one missing tooth in the anterior maxilla or mandible, and that tooth preparation designs used for Anterior Resin Bonded by Melbourne clinicians have resulted in a high survival rate.

Dr Berenice Cheng (pictured) offered

some useful tips from the Dietary Analysis and Nutritional Counselling for Caries Prevention Project, and reported on the next stage of the project, which is to develop motivational interviewing videos, specifically related to nutritional counselling in dental clinics.

Earlier in the year eviDent ran a research project ideas competition to seek research ideas to add to a project bank, which may be developed into active projects. eviDent invited those with a dental question that could be answered through practice-based research, to enter the competition. The meeting congratulated Dr Jamie Robertson (pictured) for his project that seeks to explore the oral health and indices of young diabetic patients. The project seeks to answer:

- Do the oral health indices of young diabetic adults attending Sunshine Hospital differ from those of matched controls without diabetes?
- Do these indices also correlate to the diabetic group's level of glycaemic control?

Dr Robertson won a \$500 gift certificate from Empire Marketing and a wine package donated by Mr Ken Harrison.

Finally, Prof Manton sought interest from investigators about two recently approved projects:

- Body Dysmorphic Disorder in Prosthodontics - This study aims to investigate which patients will benefit from prosthodontic treatment

(crowns/bridges/veneers/implants/dentures) and which patients are less likely to benefit from it by means of a questionnaire; and

- Do dental practitioners talk about diet and alcohol with their patients? This study aims to explore the ways in which practitioners currently engage in conversations about diet and alcohol, including those involved in the Health Promoting Practices project. It should highlight any barriers that practitioners experience, and it may highlight some simple or innovative techniques or methods that are successfully used in practice.

For further information about eviDent, its projects, or to donate visit www.evident.net.au, email ask@evident.net.au or phone Meaghan Quinn on (03) 8825 4603.



Would you give up at least one coffee to improve the oral health of Australians?

eviDent provides a platform for researchers and practitioners to connect in a way that we haven't seen in the profession before. You now have direct access and a framework to develop research questions into successful projects through eviDent.

As you may recall, our Clinical Update contributor described April's Clinical Update article, 'Analysis of commonly reported medical conditions amongst patients receiving dental implant therapy in private practice', as, **'a good example of what eviDent is all about as the results make us of a large, multi-clinic population base in such a way that would otherwise be difficult. It is certainly a well written article, with findings that are quite concise, clear and interesting'**.

Did you know that the average cost of an eviDent project is \$10,000?

This month, 10 eviDent supporters are walking between 87-230kms, all because they would rather climb the Eureka Tower 13 times before going without a cup of coffee.

They have already helped to raise \$40,000.

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