

AUSTRALIA'S GOLD COAST IS ALL ABOUT EXPERIENCE

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The conference venue at the **Gold Coast International Hotel** is situated in the heart of the glittering coastal strip, which offers a wide choice of accommodation, sensational shopping, delicious dining and live entertainment.

Shortly, we shall be finalising the program to include a range of distinguished speakers to stimulate, challenge and inspire you, so remember to reserve the 27-29th October 2004 for your continuing professional development and personal enjoyment.

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VENUE starting from \$130 per night, special rates have been assigned to ATCA by the **Gold Coast International Hotel**. Email: res@gci.com.au or visit www.gci.com.au to make your booking and make your payment directly to the hotel. Please inform the hotel that you are a delegate to the ATCA Conference.

CONFERENCE TOPICS

The organisers have confirmed a range of eminent speakers who will address the following Conference themes through a series of papers and highly interactive workshops, which include;

- Treatment Techniques
- Strategic Directions
- Research
- Adolescent Treatment
- Drug Courts
- Amphetamines
- Drug Diversion Programs for Indigenous People.
- 'A Hypothetical'
- Quality Improvement
- Issues which impact on TC clients
- The *Belonging* Project
- Women and Children
- Dual Diagnosis
- Workforce Development
- Families, Drug Dependence & TC's
- Relapse Prevention
- Training Programs

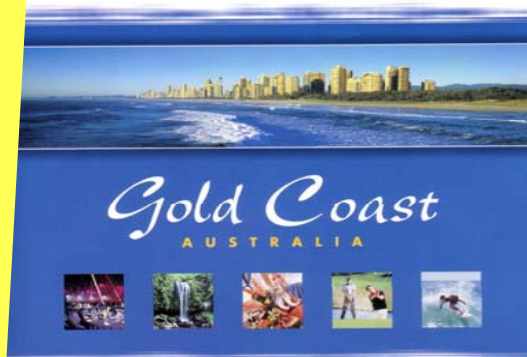
Ongoing programme developments and conference information is available at www.goldbridge.com.au by following the ATCA Conference link .

AUSTRALASIAN THERAPEUTIC COMMUNITIES ASSOCIATION



NATIONAL CONVENTION

27TH-29TH OCTOBER 2004
GOLD COAST INTERNATIONAL HOTEL



CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

For Those Interested In Resolving Alcohol And Other Drug Use Problems

ATCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

Goldbridge Rehabilitation Services in conjunction with the Gold Coast Drug Council, are hosting this year's annual conference on behalf of the Australasian Therapeutic Communities Association (ATCA).

ATCA was formally established during December 1986, and is the peak body which represents the interests of the Therapeutic Community (TC) approach to drug treatment and rehabilitation programs across Australia and New Zealand. Each year a National Forum is held which brings together many eminent people associated with the fields of addictions, to share ideas and experiences.

This year we have chosen the theme of 'TCs Soaring To New Heights' to reflect the growth and innovation in the use of Therapeutic Communities being increasingly used to provide a diverse range of services in meeting the challenges of new and emerging trends associated with drug use problems.

Within the various conference streams we will seek to develop and confirm a roadmap of common values and understanding, for a healthier Australasia, which allows us all to be equal, and yet maintain our differences.

RESERVE THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR AND JOIN US ON THE QUEENSLAND GOLD COAST.

Please consider sending your registration and accommodation reservations before the 12th October 2004, which will guarantee you the special price (from) \$130 per night at the Gold Coast International

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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Hon. Rod Welford MP, Queensland Attorney General and Minister for Justice

Richard P. Mattick, Professor of Drug and Alcohol Studies and the Director of the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, NSW. Richard has authored over 100 scientific articles and books on the assessment, nature and treatment of emotional, cognitive and psychological and neuropsychological problems.

John Winston Toumbourou BA (Hons), MA, PhD, is Associate Professor within the Department of Paediatrics at the University of Melbourne, and a Senior Researcher at the Center for Adolescent Health. John is a founding member and previous Chair of the College of Health Psychologists within the Australian Psychological Society. John's interests include evaluation, drug abuse prevention and treatment, and the role of community, family and peer groups in adolescent health promotion.

John Costanzo, Magistrate, Drug Court, SE Queensland. John is a former Crown Prosecutor, author and university tutor and later, the policy officer responsible for developing the drug court concept for Queensland. In March 2000 John was appointed to the position of Magistrate, and then became the pilot program magistrate for the Queensland Drug Court which sits in Beenleigh, Southport and Ipswich.

Frederick K Loke, Associate Executive Director, Daytop International Inc, USA. Daytop International Inc was established in 1984, and has assisted over sixty-six countries in establishing treatment programs based on the self-help, social learning model. As an internationally recognised leader of drug rehabilitation, Daytop Inc has Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and actively participates in Council sessions.

A very full and interesting conference is being finalised, and a detailed Program which includes many other eminent speakers on a wide range of subjects, will be available shortly.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Prof/Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms: _____

Title: _____

Company/Organisation: _____

Postal Address: _____

Suburb: _____ State: _____ P/Code: _____

Country: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Mobile: _____ Email: _____

Preferred name on badge (first and surname please)

Do you have any special dietary requirements?

Full Registration \$250.00

Includes

- ✦ Entry to all Conference Sessions
- ✦ Conference Satchel and Materials
- ✦ Morning /Afternoon Teas and Lunch for Days of the Conference

Day Registration \$130.00

Conference Dinner \$ 65.00

Thursday 28th October 2004 from

A perfect networking opportunity, and an evening to relax at one of the finest Gold Coast restaurants. An evening not to be missed!

Registration and Dinner costs can only be received by Cheque or Money Order and should be made out to the Gold Coast Drug Council Inc and mailed to: ATCA Conference, c/o GCDC, PO Box:2655, Burleigh Mail Centre, QLD 4220