



australasian society of clinical immunology and allergy

Annual General Meeting

15 September 2016

ASCIA AGM 2016

President's Report – Dr Melanie Wong

Financial Report – Dr Sam Mehr

CEO's Report – Jill Smith

Council Elections

Incoming President's Message – Dr William Smith



Thank you and congratulations to the ASCIA 2016 Conference committee (Dr Susan Perel, A/Prof Jane Peake, Dr David Gillis) for organising a highly successful conference, with a record high number of delegates.

Thank you also to Kathy Beck and Anna Sullivan for coordinating an excellent Nurses' and Dietitians' Update and Professor Katie Allen for another successful CFAR Symposium.

The conference provides an international standard of CPD and an opportunity to interact with colleagues working in allergy and immunology.



Whilst there have been significant challenges over the last year, particularly the prolonged supply problems with allergens, there have also been significant achievements for ASCIA.

This report aims to highlights these achievements.





An initiative of the Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy (ASCIA) and Allergy & Anaphylaxis Australia (A&AA)

Federal government funding announced for 1st stage of implementation

Thank you to A/Prof Richard Loh, Maria Said and Sandra Vale for leading this initiative





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Projects funded by federal government 2016-2017

- Standardising drug allergy management
- Improving allergy management for teens and young adults
- Allergy management in food service including in the hospital setting





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Standardising drug allergy management project

- Several meetings with key stakeholders have taken place
- ASCIA penicillin allergy e-training meeting engaged GPs, paediatricians, specialists, pharmacists and consumers
- Planning to meet with the Australian Digital Health Agency
- Review of coronial enquiries relating to drug allergy deaths has been undertaken





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Improving allergy management for teens and young adults project

- Online survey for 12-24 year olds with severe allergy developed and ethics approval received
- Survey questions currently being validated
- Survey will go live from 5th October 2016 and will be promoted





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Allergy management in food service project including in the hospital setting

- Food service forum for food allergy will be held in Sydney in late October this year
- Program currently being finalised
- Good response rate to invitations to stakeholders
- Facilitator will assist with the forum





- New ASCIA Guidelines for Infant Feeding and Allergy Prevention
- Thank you to Prof Dianne Campbell for leading this project





Online anaphylaxis education

anaphylaxis training for schools and childcare anaphylaxis training first aid (community)

- Implementation of ASCIA anaphylaxis e-training for Victorian Schools
- Thank you to Sandra Vale for leading this project









- Significant updating of ASCIA Action Plans
- Thank you to Dr Brynn Wainstein for leading this project





APID 2016 Consultants Meeting





APID 2016 Training Meeting





- Development of a range of ASCIA PID resources including e-training and SCIg education resources - thank you to Dr Andy Mclean-Tooke for leading these projects
- Continuation of ASCIA Transplantation and PID (TAPID)
 project thank you to Dr Jo Smart and Dr Theresa Cole





- 2nd round of AIFA grants
- AIFA seed funding has led to NHMRC grant
- New AIFA structure
- Thank you to Dr Ray Mullins inaugural AIFA Chair



ASCIA STAFF

- . Jill Smith CEO
- Sandra Vale National Allergy Strategy (NAS) coordinator
- Christa Bayer AIFA Fundraising Consultant (part time)
- Michelle Haskard ASCIA / AIFA Project Officer (part time)
- Rikki Dunstall ASCIA Administration Officer (part time)
- Jessica Metcalfe NAS Project Officer (part time)



FUTURE CHALLENGES

- Manage multiple new projects, and prioritise these appropriately
- Respond to multiple product regulatory and supply issues
- Obtain unrestricted educational grants from industry and support from government
- Maintain, update and promote existing resources
- Fundraise for AIFA research grants



THANK YOU

- Past ASCIA Presidents for building a strong foundation
- ASCIA conference organising committee
- ASCIA members, particularly fellow Directors, Council members and Working Party Chairs
- ASCIA staff, Impagination and ICMSA (our professional conference organisers since 2006)
- All participants in the ASCIA 2016 conference and in particular the international speakers
- Patient support organisations
- Sponsors and exhibitors





The following figures are based on the audited ASCIA financial reports as of 30 June 2016.

CASH FLOW	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013
Cash (start of year)	\$1,468,172	\$1,469,988	\$1,539,879	\$1,551,384
Cash (end of year)	\$1,761,444	\$1,468,172	\$1,469,988	\$1,539,879
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Equity (retained surplus)	\$1,544,409	\$1,552,597	\$1,586,941	\$1,530,052
OPERATING STATEMENT	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013
Total Income	\$913,988	\$960,849	\$1,061,782	\$776,380
Total Expenses	\$923,490	\$995,193	\$1,004,893	\$687,135
Net Surplus/Loss *	-\$9,502	-\$34,344	\$56,889	\$88,324
Income	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013
Sponsorship	\$282,424	\$303,805	\$314,085	NA
Membership Fees	\$129,351	\$113,859	\$112,384	\$106,352
Donations	\$14,993	\$13,374	\$129,609	\$100,000
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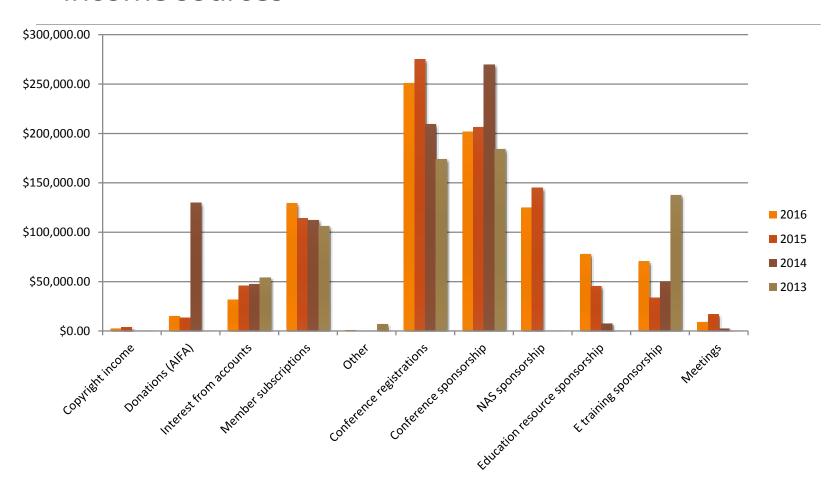
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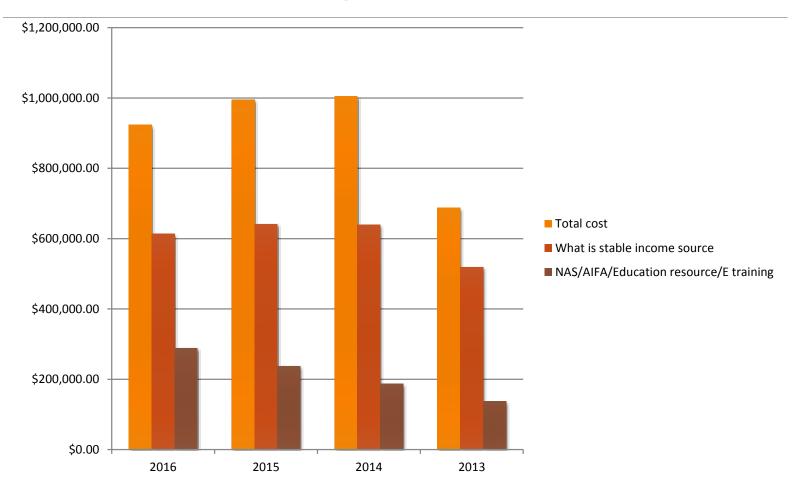
Income sources







Stable vs non-recurring income







The past year has been exceptionally productive and sustainable for ASCIA, as documented in the President's Report and the Financial Report.

This report focuses on the main ASCIA educational initiatives that are still in development for 2016-2017, in addition to the ASCIA Annual Conference.





Allergy projects in development

National Allergy Strategy projects (as detailed in President's Report)

ASCIA Food Allergy / Anaphylaxis projects

- New ASCIA and A&AA food allergy e-training for community
- New ASCIA food allergen challenge register

ASCIA Respiratory Allergy projects

- New ASCIA allergic rhinitis e-training for pharmacists
- New ASCIA allergic rhinitis clinical update for health professionals

ASCIA Drug (Medication) Allergy projects

- New ASCIA drug allergy (cephalosporin) consensus statement for clinical immunology/allergy specialists
- New ASCIA penicillin allergy e-training module for health professionals





PID and Autoimmunity projects in development

- ASCIA PID Clinical Update
- ASCIA PID e-training advanced modules
- ASCIA PID newborn screening position paper
- ASCIA immunodeficiency register
- New and updated information on autoimmunity





ASCIA 2017 Conference

Viaduct Events Centre Auckland NZ 12-15 September 2017

- Organising committee: Dr Anthony Jordan (co-chair), Dr Maia Brewerton (co-chair), Dr Andy Baker, Dr Jan Sinclair.
- ANZAAG meeting will be run on the weekend after the ASCIA conference.
- Confirmed International speakers: Prof Carsten Bindslev-Jensen, Dr Lene Heise Garvey, Prof Jonathan Hourihane, Prof Werner Pichler, Prof Jennifer Puck.
- CFAR meeting (Tuesday) TBC





ASCIA 2017 Conference

Thank you:

- ASCIA staff (Rikki Dunstall, Michelle Haskard and Sandra Vale) for their tremendous commitment and enthusiasm for their work;
- •Welcome to the new ASCIA staff members, Christa Bayer and Jessica Metcalfe
- •ASCIA members, particularly the Conference organising committee, Directors, Council, committee and working party members who generously donate their time and expertise to ASCIA issues and projects;
- •Impagination, who develop and support the ASCIA website and e-training courses, which continue to increase in popularity;
- •ICMSA, who have provided logistics support for ASCIA conferences since 2006;
- Patient support organisations for collaborations that focus on patient health outcomes;
- Sponsors and exhibitors for their continued support of ASCIA educational initiatives.





DIRECTORS (EXECUTIVE)

PRESIDENT

(CHAIR of Board of Directors)

PRESIDENT ELECT

(DEPUTY CHAIR of Board of Directors)

DIRECTOR

DIRECTOR

Dr William Smith (SA) – replacing Dr

Melanie Wong (NSW)

Dr Brynn Wainstein (NSW) – replacing

Dr William Smith (SA)

Dr Jan Sinclair (NZ) - continuing

Dr Michael O'Sullivan (WA) – replacing

Dr Sam Mehr (NSW)



AREA REPRESENTATIVES

QUEENSLAND

NEW SOUTH WALES

VICTORIA

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

NEW ZEALAND

Dr Susan Perel (continuing)

Dr Lara Ford (replacing Dr Alisa Kane)

Dr Jeremy McComish (continuing)

Dr Pravin Hissaria (replacing Dr

Anthony Smith)

A/Prof Michaela Lucas (replacing Dr

Michael O'Sullivan)

Dr Andrew Baker (continuing)





COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Anaphylaxis committee Chair Dr Brynn Wainstein (continuing)

Education committee Chair Dr Kathryn Patchett (continuing)

Laboratory Practice committee Chair Dr Karl Baumgart (continuing)

Paediatric committee Chair

Dr Preeti Joshi (relacing Prof Dianne Campbell)

Immunodeficiency committee Chair Dr Andrew McLean-Tooke (continuing)





ASSOCIATE REPRESENTATIVES

Associate (Dietitian) Representative Ingrid Roche (continuing)

Associate (Nurse) Representative Val Noble (continuing

Associate (Trainee) Representative Dr Mark Taylor replacing Dr Annaliesse Blincoe





ASSOCIATE (GP) REPRESENTATIVE

Dr Victoria Smith (nominated by A/Prof Janet Rimmer and Dr Velencia Soutter

Dr Smith is replacing Dr Diamond Hira, as decided by voting at the AGM.





Thank you to Dr Melanie Wong for her great leadership as ASCIA President over the past 2 years, from 2014 to 2016.

Thank you also to Dr Susan Perel and her committee for organising another successful ASCIA Annual Conference, with record high delegate numbers.





As outlined in the President's Report there has been significant expansion of ASCIA over the past 2 years, with significant projects (including the National Allergy Strategy) developed during Dr Melanie Wong's term.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the ASCIA Presidents who have served before me. Together with ASCIA members and staff they have helped lead ASCIA over the past 26 years to develop into the productive, sustainable and respected organisation that it is today.





Thank you

Dr Annaliesse Blincoe – Trainee rep for past 2 years

Prof Dianne Campbell – Chair of Paediatric committee for the past 6 years

Dr Diamond Hira – GP rep for past 2 years

Dr Tiffany Hughes – Joint College Training Committee (JCTC) – previously known as Joint Specialist Advisory Committee (JSAC) rep for last 2 years

Dr Alisa Kane – NSW rep for past 4 years

Dr Sam Mehr – ASCIA Director for the past 4 years (including implementation of the sustainability plan) and other roles

Dr Ray Mullins – AIFA Chair for past 3 years and other roles including President

Dr Anthony Smith - SA rep for past 6 years





Welcome to new ASCIA Council members, who I look forward to working with over the next two years.

In September 2017 I look forward to seeing you at the 28th ASCIA Annual Conference in Auckland which is being organised by Maia Brewerton, Anthony Jordan and their committee.

