



# International Tracheostomy Symposium

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## 6<sup>th</sup> International Tracheostomy Symposium

*By the patient, for the patient*

Global event across worldwide timezones

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th October 2021\*

Virtual meeting, presented live from, Manchester, UK

\*Live elements will span two dates in global time zones



The premier event for tracheostomy specialists, doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, patients and families to grow and learn together.

## Invitation

The Organising Committee of the 6<sup>th</sup> International Tracheostomy Symposium (ITS) is pleased to invite you to partner and participate in this exciting **virtual event** on 7-8<sup>th</sup> October 2021. The International Tracheostomy Symposium (ITS) is increasingly recognised as the premier event for tracheostomy specialists, doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, patients and families and industry partners to grow and learn together.

Hosted by:

- The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative (GTC)  
[www.globaltrach.org](http://www.globaltrach.org)
- The National Tracheostomy Safety Project  
[www.tracheostomy.org.uk](http://www.tracheostomy.org.uk)



## Background

The highly successful inaugural (2011) and 2nd ITS (2014) were hosted by Austin Health in Melbourne with over 600 medical professionals from 11 countries attending. The 3rd ITS (2016) and 4th ITS (2018) were then hosted in the USA respectively by Johns Hopkins Medical Centre (Baltimore) and by UT Southwestern Medical Centre (Texas) together with the Global Tracheostomy Collaborative (GTC). The 5th ITS (2019) was hosted again by Austin Health in Melbourne, with over 300 international delegates and diverse representation from industry partners.

The GTC was formed in 2012 creating the world's first tracheostomy quality improvement collaborative aimed at improving tracheostomy care around the world. There are now over 60 member hospitals, over 1500 healthcare professional affiliate members and over 200 family members of the GTC. Read [the latest news here](#) or visit the GTC at [www.globaltrach.org](http://www.globaltrach.org).

The ITS has grown to attract attendance from a diverse group of medical specialists, patients and families. It is an exciting, unique and positive meeting with high exposure to those interested in tracheostomy care and quality improvement. Recent meetings have seen presentations describing the impact of international improvement programs, with over 8,000 patients in the GTC database and detailed evaluations showing impact:

- 50% reduction in harm
- 50% reduction in patient anxiety
- 20% reductions in hospital stays
- Significant cost savings

## Aims

The symposium themes of '*By the patient, for the patient*' will be reinforced throughout all sessions. We aim to promote safer tracheostomy care through education, understanding and discussion of latest research. The meeting combines international keynote speakers, patient and family sessions, small group breakouts, panel discussions and poster presentations, covering adult and paediatric topics in primary and secondary care. The virtual meeting format allows us to connect with a global audience of healthcare staff, patients, carers and families, and the wider community of systems leaders and industry collaborators who are essential to delivering quality tracheostomy care. All content will be available on demand for one month after the event, maximising the exposure of the meeting, the content and our sponsors.

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## 6th ITS Committee and Advisory Group

<p><b>Professor Brendan McGrath (UK host and chair)</b> <i>National Clinical Advisor, NHS England GTC European Lead Consultant in Anaesthesia &amp; Intensive Care Medicine, UK</i></p>	<p><b>Mrs Tanis Cameron (Australian co-chair)</b> <i>Tracheostomy Review and Management Service (TRAMS) Austin Health, Melbourne, Australia Vice Chair Person GTC</i></p>	<p><b>Dr Michael Brenner (US host and co-chair)</b> <i>GTC President Associate Prof Otolaryngology University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA</i></p>
<p><b>Professor Tony Narula</b>  <i>Chair GTC Board ORL, St Mary's Hospital, London, UK</i></p>	<p><b>Dr David Roberson</b>  <i>Immediate past president, Global Tracheostomy Collaborative Otolaryngology, Bayhealth ENT, Delaware, USA</i></p>	<p><b>Dr Vinciya Pandian (Scientific content lead)</b>  <i>Assistant Professor Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, Baltimore, USA</i></p>
<p><b>Mrs Sarah Wallace OBE (UK host and co-chair)</b> <i>Consultant SLT, Manchester University Hospital, UK RCSLT Tracheostomy Special Interest Group Chair</i></p>	<p><b>Mrs Julie Gimblett Mr Adrian Oulton Dr Anusha Gupta (UK co-chairs)</b> <i>Former Tracheostomy Patients, UK</i></p>	<p><b>Mrs Barbara Bonvento (UK host and co-chair)</b> <i>Critical Care Physiotherapy, Manchester University Hospital, UK</i></p>
<p><b>Mr Asit Arora</b> <i>Consultant ORL  Guy's &amp; St Thomas' Hospital, London, UK</i></p>	<p><b>Mrs Erin Ward</b>  <i>Parent, Patient and Family Committee Chair GTC Boston, Massachusetts, USA</i></p>	<p><b>Ms Charissa Zaga</b>  <i>Senior Speech Pathologist, TRAMS and ICU Austin Health, Melbourne</i></p>
<p><b>Dr Jo Harrison</b>  <i>Paediatric Respiratory Physician, The Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne</i></p>	<p><b>Dr Cath Doherty (Paediatric content lead)</b> <i>Consultant Paediatric Anaesthetist, Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, UK</i></p>	<p><b>Mr Paul Twose</b>  <i>Respiratory physiotherapy Cardiff, UK</i></p>
<p><b>Professor Pat Bradley</b>  <i>Professor of ORL, University of Nottingham, UK</i></p>	<p><b>Dr Stephen Warrillow (Australian co-chair)</b>  <i>Director, Intensive Care Unit, Austin Health, Melbourne Immediate Past President, ANZICS</i></p>	<p><b>Mr James Lynch</b>  <i>Advanced Critical Care Practitioner Manchester, UK</i></p>

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## Attend the ITS!

- ✓ Gain exposure to international clinical experts, key stake-holders patients and their families
- ✓ The premiere global event for tracheostomy care
- ✓ Streamed as live across multiple time zones (USA, Europe, Australasia) and everywhere in-between
- ✓ Liaise directly with tracheostomy patients and caregivers to increase understanding of their needs
- ✓ Be a change-maker: Safer Tracheostomy Care Everywhere
- ✓ Become part of this growing, exciting and successful collaborative



Over 1,500 delegates have attended previous International Tracheostomy Symposia, with over 20 sponsors and exhibitors, and international attendees from 14 countries.



### Schedule at a Glance

*Thursday October 7th 2021*

- International expert content for a truly global reach and relevance
- Live UK hosting team with staggered starts across the major continents (delayed replay 'as live')
- Blend of live sessions presented across continents and time zones
- Virtual networking sessions, socializing and a **virtual exhibition hall** to interact with industry
- Patients and families embedded in the program and presenting team
- Hot topics and reflections on COVID-19
- Live panel discussions
- Breakout sessions: patient forums, literature reviews, pro-con debates, latest research & scientific abstracts

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# Your virtual destination: Manchester, UK

Due to the uncertainties around global travel in 2021 we have taken the decision to hold the 6th ITS virtually. There is an urgent need for this high-quality meeting to build on the work that the global community have been doing to improve tracheostomy care in partnership with our patients and their families. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of global collaboration and the GTC has played a key role in developing guidance and authoring critical papers.

Whilst we will miss the face to face contact and energy of a live meeting, a virtual platform offers the opportunities for a truly global event with equitable access for all staff and patients: access to high quality content, speakers and industry collaborators. Ambitious mixture of live and on-demand sessions across time zones and continents will be available for delegates to view up to 28 days after the event.

The virtual format allows for high-quality spatial networking and a virtual exhibition space that can replace or even enhance the typical face to face contacts that these meetings have traditionally provided.

## Welcome to Manchester

The original modern city

The premier event for tracheostomy specialists, doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, patients and families to grow and learn together.

Virtual exhibition hall allows varied delegate interaction  
Liaise directly with speakers, patients and delegates  
Games and team competitions  
Networking

Global overlap for key live sessions  
Meet, discuss, debate  
Share ideas



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Virtual meeting with global reach across time zones  
See [www.tracheostomy.org.uk](http://www.tracheostomy.org.uk) for details

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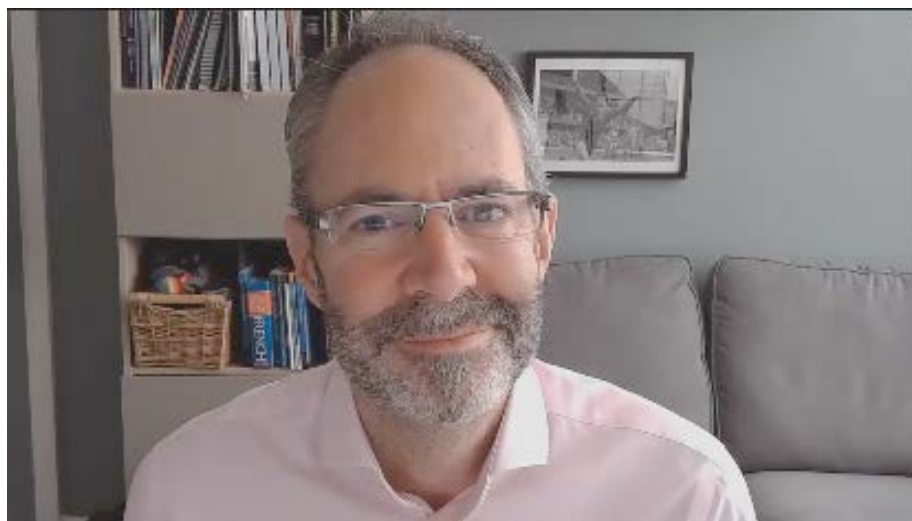


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Click the link below for a short video that explains how the day will work across continents.

<https://youtu.be/BMJ4UKhivX8>



Detailed program over key audience time zones is presented over the following pages.

# Lobby & Exhibition hall

Familiarise with platform, morning coffee & exhibition hall  
1 hour

Welcome 10 mins pre-recorded and available as people join from different continents  
Welcome & how it works 10 mins

## Main track

## Breakouts

## UK time

### Welcome 10 mins

Trachy kids – welcome to Manchester 10 mins  
Session sponsor 2 mins

### General trachy care 4 x 15 mins + 15 mins discussion (60 mins)

Tracheostomies – a patient perspective – (live from the couch)  
What has the GTC has done about it?  
Kids, trachys and COVID  
Improving Tracheostomy Care in the UK  
Panel discussion (response to questions via chat, moderated on the couch)

### COVID-19 impact and response: 5 x 15 mins + 15 mins discussion (90 mins)

The impact of COVID on trachy care  
Collaboration and the NatPatSIP (NHS England Safety Programs lead)

The long wean – a patient perspective  
The long wean – a healthcare perspective

Tracheostomy care: Business as usual.  
Panel discussion (live)

Break 1  
1 hour

Networking, Posters & exhibition hall

Session sponsor 2 mins Trachy kids weather report

### COVID-19 international perspectives: 3 x 15 mins + 15 mins discussion

Introductions (remote host)  
Adapting a surgical service during a pandemic MaxFax UK  
COVID trach – what did we learn? ENT UK  
Lessons from Spain  
Panel discussion

### Keynote speakers. 20 mins

Many different kinds of love. A story of life, death and the NHS  
Michael Rosen. Poet, performer, writer and Children's Poet Laureate

COVID, Aerosols and the risks to Healthcare Workers  
Discussion

Break 1  
0.5 hour

Networking, Posters & exhibition hall

Session sponsor - 2 mins Trachy kids sports report

2 x 20 mins + 10 mins for database discussion  
Making improvements happen  
The GTC dataset – looking back and looking forwards?

### 3 x 15 mins + 25 mins discussion

The GTC: by the patient, for the patient  
The science of change  
What's new in the literature and social media BJA social media fellows:  
round table pick of favourite papers

### Prolonged discussion:

Challenges in tracheostomy care for healthcare professionals – live discussion with feedback from earlier session\*\* to UK team panel + US Speakers

Live session

Pre-recorded session

### Session A Breakout - 1.5 hours

Patient & family forum  
Adults, Children  
NALC.

Generate a list of 'hot topics' to pitch to the panel\*\*

Available in the lobby

Welcome 10 mins pre-recorded and available as people join from different continents  
Welcome & how it works 10 mins

### Session B Breakout - Scientific session – 1.5 hours (same session sponsor)

Selected abstracts for presentation

All presentations and panel questions pre-recorded. Top 5

10 min presentations & 5 mins questions

With intro, final discussion and scoring, and virtual presentation, this will be:  
5 x 15 mins talks  
15 mins for panel  
90 mins

Available in the lobby

Welcome 10 mins pre-recorded and available as people join from different continents  
Welcome & how it works 10 mins

### Session C breakout: Education 1 hour 4 x 15 mins

Educating Wales.

Virtual reality in trachy education.

What's new in medical education:  
Advanced Life Support Group

How to train your workforce.

Tea Trolley Training

10am – 13:00

Session A – 2 hours 45 mins

12:45 – 13:45

1 hour break

13:45 – 15:30

Session B – 1 hour 45 mins

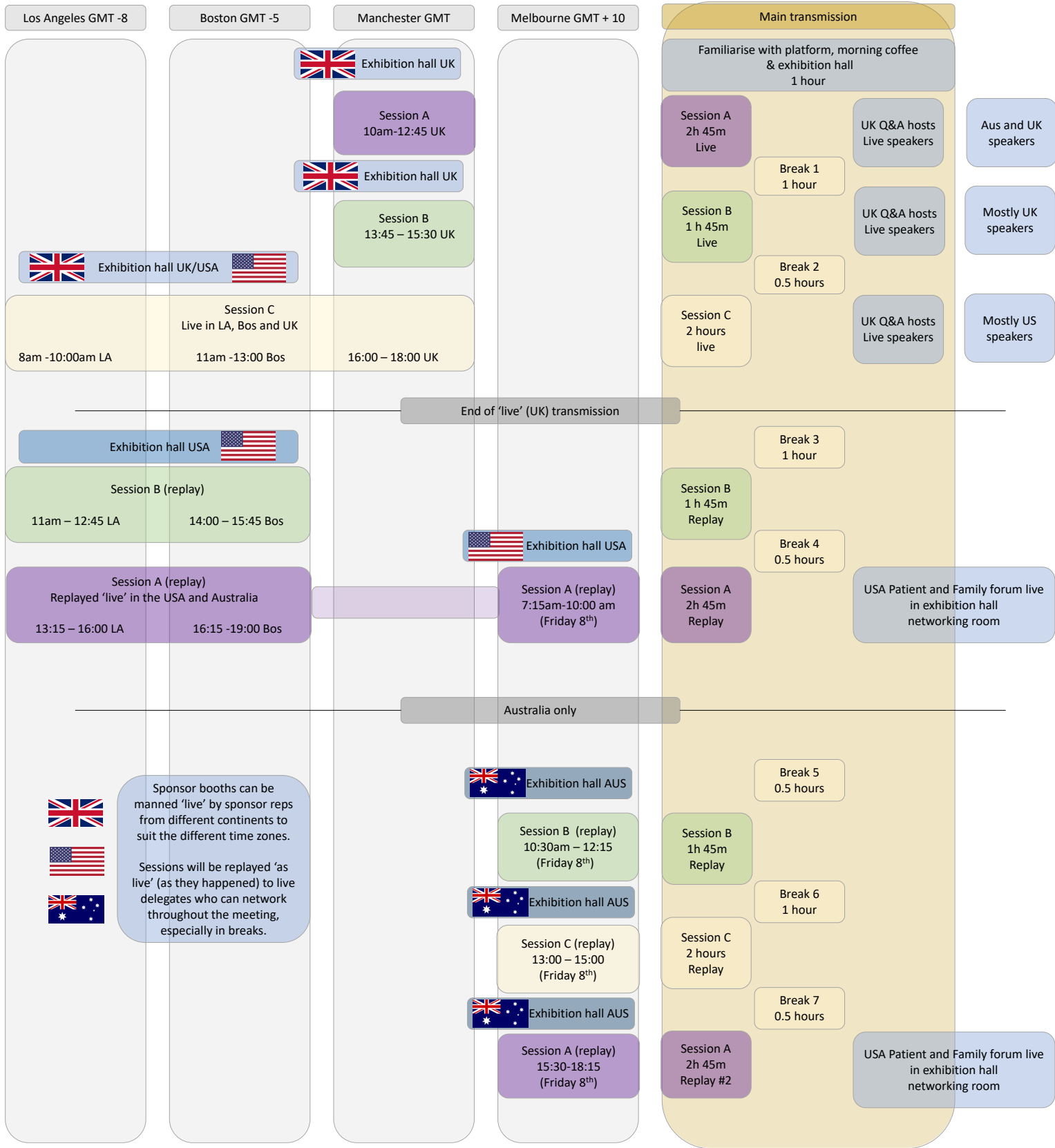
15:30 – 16:00

1 hour break

16:00 – 18:00

Session C – 2 hours

# Using live/re-cycled content. Dates/times are Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Oct unless stated (Australia)





# Time zones

Los Angeles GMT -8	Boston GMT -5	Manchester GMT	Melbourne GMT + 10
		8am-11am UK	18:00 – 21:00 Aus
		11am – 15:00 UK	
8am -11:00am LA	11am -14:00 Bos	16:00 – 19:00 UK	2am-5am Mel
11am – 13:00 LA	14:00 – 16:00 Bos	19:00-21:00 UK	5am-7am Mel
13:00 – 15:00 LA	16:00 -18:00 Bos	21:00 – 23:00 UK	7am-9am Mel

Thank you for you interest in our event.

Register via the dedicated registration page link from the website

Any questions? Contact:  
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for more details