

## Updates and highlights from the Asian & Oceanian Section of MDS include:

• Topic Suggestions OPEN NOW through APRIL 2, 2015!

5<sup>th</sup> Asian and Oceania Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Congress March 11-13, 2016 – *Manila, the Philippines* 

 Parkinson's Australia National Congress May 27-29 2015 – Adelaide, Australia http://www.aomevents.com/ParkinsonsAustraliaNationalConference

Abstracts have now closed for this Meeting which will be attended by People Living with Parkinson's, their families and Health care professionals. This meeting will often draw attendance from around Australia, New Zealand and the Asia Pacific countries.

## • In Search: World Parkinson's Day scientific symposium and public lectures.

Featuring Professor Ted Dawson from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore.

On 15<sup>th</sup> April we will hold a National Scientific symposium which will see a gathering of over 70 Neurologist, Neuroscientists, Allied Health professionals involved in research surrounding Parkinson's and related movement disorders. They will share ideas and each other's research and in some cases may form collaborations to further advance research. In the Evening of 15 April we will host a public lecture with an expected attendance of 800 people where Professor Dawson will be the keynote speaker and will be an event providing information to the Parkinson's Community and also raise public awareness.

To complement this key event two other Parkinson's Research events, with a focus on DBS will be held in Regional centres, including a Health Professional education opportunity focusing on Cognitive aspects of Parkinson's and Practical Movement strategies in collaboration with Professor Meg Morris.

## • National Parkinson's Meeting

March 2015 - Melbourne, Australia

This meeting will have a focus on Non motor and Cognitive aspects of Parkinson's. It will be a gathering of over 50 Parkinson's and Movement Disorder Nurses and Nurse Researchers from around Australia. It is an Inaugural meeting with plans to make this a bi annual meeting with the invitation for the next meeting to expand to cover the Asia-Oceania region.

Victor welcomes comments or questions seeking clarification on any topics presented above.

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