

Meeting Minutes

QARC Clinical Forum

Date 29 May 2020 **Chair** Jade Dignam
Time 12-1pm (QLD time AEST)
Zoom <https://uqz.zoom.us/j/96710224491>

Attendees:

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David Copland (UQ) Julie Scott (SCUH), Rachel Wenke (Gold coast Health), Katrina Dunn (West Moreton Health), Corey Patterson (Townsville University Hospital), Luisa Hewitt (Hunter Stroke Service NSW Health), Michaela Jackson (COH, MNHHS), Natalie Hickey (MNHHS), Kate Rowntree (Illawarra LHD), Thea-Nicole Garrett (GARSS-Day Therapy DDHHS), Catherine Sanderson (MNHHS), Moya Pattie (Wesley), Lynell Bassett (MNHHS), Kane Hart (CBH), Bincy Jacob. Katie McMahon (HIRF), Kathryn Pettigrove (LaTrobe / Sydney Uni), Annie Hill (UQ), Genevieve Vuong (UQ), Sonia Brownsett (UQ), Jess Campbell (UQ), Deborah Hersh (ECU), Bonnie Cheng (UQ), Tony Angwin (UQ), Lisa Ferguson (QIMR Berghofer), Sarah Wallace (UQ), Chris Plant (JCU), Kirstine Shrubsole (SCU), Amanda Gellatly (UQ), Kate O'Brien (UQ) Annette Rotherham (UQ), Jane Crombie (UQ), Bethany Best (UQ)

Apologies:

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Item	Description	Notes
1.	Welcome and Introductions	
2.	QARC Update by Prof. David Copland	
	- QARC planned to move into STARS in November 2020	
	- Opening event for QARC will be scheduled 2021	
3.	QARC Clinical Forum Objectives by Jade Dignam	
	- Platform for collaborations between researchers and clinicians	
	- Obtain input from clinicians	
	- Support implementation and delivery of evidence based aphasia therapy	
4.	QARC Clinical Affiliates Survey: Feedback and results	
	- Best medium to receive information about evidence → QARC Research Presentation and Podcast	
	- Most important to clinicians → Ability to access info in a time that suits their caseload, Advice from researchers on how to implement research	
	- Social Events: Aim to foster collaborations in a less formal environment	
	- Results have informed a Community of Practice for researchers and clinicians interested in Aphasia Rehab.	
5.	QARC Community of Practice / Clinical Forum	- Q: <i>Could we have a bit more two-way learning so</i>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We would really value clinician involvement and input - Presentations of latest research evidence - Development of QARC website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Summaries of QARC research projects and latest findings o Online Videos (e.g., therapy techniques and approaches, case studies), training resources and podcasts o Therapy Resources - Online forum for clinical discussion, sharing of experiences and resources - Social networking events - QARC Research Forum will be renamed to QARC Clinical Forum to more accurately reflect the objectives of this group. - Will be working with NHMRC Aphasia CRE to ensure both groups complement each other 	<p><i>opportunities for clinicians to inform researchers and present, perhaps a de-identified case, like a Grand Round?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Yes, if there are clinicians interested in participating o Could also invite other MDT members o Build clinician confidence to feed back to researchers <p>- <i>Comment: I think the 'Community of Practice' approach is valuable as it shows combination of Clinicians and Researchers learning from each other.</i></p>
<p>6. CHAT Feasibility Study: Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CHAT has been revised with the feedback from clinical speech pathologists and stakeholders - Update / re-evaluation of evidence base for intervention components of CHAT - This study aims to evaluate the clinical implementation of CHAT in a health service setting. Investigating translation of research evidence to clinical practice, including the development of appropriate resources. - Feasibility Trial <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Evaluate efficacy, contextual factors that impact delivery of CHAT in a clinical setting o Planned to commence at RBWH-GARU in September 2020 - Call out for EOI from Clinical Speech Pathologists to develop a clinical steering committee to inform the CHAT program. Please email j.dignam@uq.edu.au or garc@uq.edu.au if you would like to be involved. 	<p><i>Comment: May look into creating work shadowing opportunities to observe and learn about the CHAT program</i></p> <p><i>Q: Are we going to use the resources used in LIFT?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Yes, we will be reviewing them and using them</i> <p><i>Comment: How to support clinicians</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Development of evidence-based clinical decision making tree</i>
<p>7. TeleCHAT Study: Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TeleCHAT aims to address some of the structural barriers to aphasia rehabilitation and the delivery of intensive aphasia programs - This study aims to investigate the usability, feasibility and acceptability of delivering CHAT via telerehabilitation directly into the homes of people with aphasia. - Plan: Recruitment for participants with post-stroke aphasia, > 1 month TPO will commence in 2021. 	<p><i>Comment: TeleCHAT is a great initiative to be able to deliver services to people living more rurally</i></p>
<p>8. Open Discussion</p>	

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- Models of other forums that may inform the QARC Clinical Forum:
 - o Dysphagia Quality Assurance Program
 - Helpful in allowing clinicians to calibrate with what others are doing
 - Drive collaboration and broader thinking
 - Share clinical perspectives / problem based learning approach.
 - Could incorporate similar model into QARC COP
 - o Psycholinguistics in Practice Special Interest Group (PIPSIG)
 - Coordinated by Annabel Vaughan
 - Involves presentations from guest speakers, journal reviews, case studies and treatment approaches.
 - Potential to include this group in the QARC Community of Practice
 - Comment: It would be great to see increased clinician input and collaborative sharing of knowledge, clinical experience and case studies between researchers and clinicians.
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