

HEMISPHERECTOMY FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA








HEMICON 16-17 MAY 2025






CONFERENCE INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES


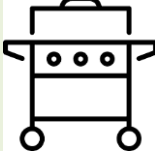
Dear families,

This information has been prepared to help make the attendance of your family at HemiCon as easy as possible. We know that travelling and wrangling children can be a challenge! Any questions can be made to our HemiCon organising team:

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<p>Evening registration and welcome</p> 	<p>Conference registration and a meet and greet (with finger food) will be held in the Ocean Room at the SeaWorld Resort from 6.00pm-8.00pm Thursday 15 May 2025. Drinks available at the bar at your own expense.</p> <p>Even if you are not staying at SeaWorld please come along, register and connect with other hemi families.</p>
<p>Getting to your accommodation from Gold Coast airport</p>   	<p>SeaWorld Resort operates a shuttle between Gold Coast airport and the resort. Check with SeaWorld to determine if your accommodation package includes airport transfers.</p> <p>Taxis and Ubers are also available and may be less expensive than the shuttle, depending on how many are in your group. All transport options can be explored here https://www.goldcoastairport.com.au/parking-transport/transport</p>
<p>Getting from your accommodation to the conference</p> 	<p>If you are staying at the SeaWorld resort the conference rooms & kids club are both located on the ground floor. The conference sessions are in the Ocean Room and the Kids Club in the Dolphin Room.</p>

<p>Conference commencement</p>	<p>Our conference is being held in the Ocean Room of SeaWorld. For all our families to get to know each other, parents, children and young people will all be together for the first session on Day One of the Conference. Kids Club will commence following this session.</p>
<p>Kids Club</p> 	<p>Following the first session on Day One, Kids Club commences at 10.00am. On Day Two (Saturday), Kids Club starts at 9.30am</p> <p>The kid’s club is held in the Dolphin Bay room at SeaWorld resort. The kids club for all will be open from 10am Friday (after our introductions session) and 9.30am Saturday. Carers are all volunteers with Working with Children Checks and we will have a high carer to child ratio.</p> <p><u>What to bring</u> All meals are provided so there is no need to bring food or drinks unless your child is on a special diet. We will also have lots of games and craft for the children when they are not attending activities, but please supply an Ipad/tablet if your child likes to play on a screen during their downtime.</p> <p>A kids club schedule of activities is available on our website and will be provided in your conference pack.</p> <p><u>https://hemispherectomyaustralia.org.au/hemispherectomy-foundation-australia-conference-2025/</u></p>
<p>Parking</p> 	<p>Limited car parking is available onsite at Sea World Resort. Overflow parking is available on Sea World drive at no cost as well as additional parking at Sea World marine park</p>
<p>Breakfast options</p> 	<p>A buffet breakfast (at your own expense) is available at the Shoreline restaurant at SeaWorld. It can get very busy in the morning, so we recommend allowing plenty of time for your family to have breakfast before the conference starts.</p>
<p>Hemi T-shirts</p> 	<p>We love our hemi kids and their siblings to wear their special HemiCon Tshirts, Especially on Day One of the conference for the hemi family group photo. It also helps with keeping track of them all when they are at the resort activities! Shirts will be distributed at registration.</p>
<p>Conference sessions</p> 	<p>Conference sessions will be held in the Ocean Room ground floor of the SeaWorld resort.</p> <p>The conference program is available on the Hemispherectomy Foundation Australia website. <u>https://hemispherectomyaustralia.org.au/hemispherectomy-foundation-australia-conference-2025/</u></p>

	Printed conference programs will also be available in the family welcome packs.
Food at the conference 	During the conference morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided to everyone.
Conference dinner 	Our conference dinner will be held from 6pm on Friday Family BBQ at The Boatshed, SeaWorld. This will be a fun, casual dinner for our hemi-families to further connect and socialise. Please note that drinks are at own expense.

