

# PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

## Veterinary Dentistry

GOLD COAST CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

THURSDAY 23 JULY 2026



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### Contemporary Endodontics: Evidence, Technique & Materials



Thursday 23 July 2026  
9:30AM to 5:30PM



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This full-day masterclass bridges human and veterinary endodontic evidence to deliver practical, clinically grounded learning across every stage of root canal therapy. Dr Ha – a specialist with over twenty peer-reviewed publications, a Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, and an active researcher and educator – guides participants through contemporary access cavity design, canal preparation philosophy, NiTi instrumentation, advanced obturation materials including BC Sealer and MTA, and frameworks for assessing long-term success and retreatment decisions.

From access cavity design through to canal preparation, file selection, obturation materials, and long-term outcome assessment, this day covers the full breadth of contemporary endodontic practice – with a particular focus on the latest evidence, instrumentation advances, and challenging clinical scenarios such as large open apices and complex anatomy.

#### What You'll Learn

- The human–veterinary evidence interface, and what each field can learn from the other
- Reduced, incisal, and proximal access cavity approaches
- Optimising canal preparation: apical size, taper, irrigation, and activation strategies
- NiTi file systems: alloys, rotary vs reciprocation, OTR, motor customisation, and the XP Shaper for difficult anatomy
- BC Sealer and MTA: properties, technique, and clinical evidence compared to AH Plus
- Defining success: periapical healing, clinical signs, and decision-making around retreatment and failure

#### Who It's For

Suitable for all Members or Qualified Veterinarians in the field of Dentistry seeking to refine and update their endodontic practice.



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Dr William Ha is Head of Endodontics at the University of Sydney. He completed his specialist endodontic training through the DClinDent program at the University of Adelaide and South Australian Dental Services in 2021 – a program through which he contributed nine peer-reviewed journal articles, one further article currently in press, and a book chapter. His PhD added a further eleven peer-reviewed publications to his body of work.

Dr Ha holds certification in systematic review methodology through the JBI Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program and is a recipient of multiple research and travel grants. He is a Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, an international honour recognising leaders of the dental profession, and holds membership of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in Endodontics.

An active researcher and educator, Dr Ha presents his findings at scientific meetings locally and internationally, contributes to dental teaching and philanthropy, and serves as a committee member of the International Association of Dental Traumatology.



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09:30-10:30	Introduction & History: Speaker introduction, Human Evidence – based on animal studies, Vet Evidence – based on human studies, Back to animals, Outline for the day
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea
11:00-11:30	Access Cavities: Reduced access cavities, Incisal access, Proximal access
11:30-12:15	Ideal Preparation size: Apical Size, Taper, Irrigation Needle, Long canals, Activation
12:15-13:00	NiTi files: Basic preparation goals, NiTi alloys, Rotary vs Reciprocation, OTR, Motor customisation, XP Shaper for odd anatomy (large open apices)
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-15:30	Sealers + MTA: BC Sealer properties, How to use BC Sealer, Clinical evidence vs AH Plus, MTA obturation (esp for large open apices)
15:30-16:00	Success in endodontics: PA healing, Clinical signs
16:00-16:30	Afternoon Tea
16:30-17:30	Assessment for retreatment/failure