



SPEAKERS



Prof Cynthia Wong
USA



Prof Tim Cook
UK



Prof Alicia Dennis
AU



Prof Edward Mariano
USA



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NSC25 CONVENORS' WELCOME

It is our great pleasure and honour to be the convenors of the **2025 Australian Society of Anaesthetists' National Scientific Congress in Canberra**. Our committee is excited to deliver a meeting that will be stimulating, interesting, and relevant whilst showcasing the highlights of Australia's capital.

Canberra is renowned for its rich history, vibrant cultural scene, and stunning natural beauty. There are numerous national institutions like Parliament House, the National Gallery of Australia, the Australian War Memorial, and the National Museum, it boasts beautiful parks, lakes, and a buzzing food and drink scene. Canberra is perfectly situated for exploring the surrounding regions, including the Snowy Mountains, Brindabella Ranges and numerous National Parks. **NSC25** will be held at the National Convention Centre, centrally located in the nation's capital close to accommodation options and restaurants. **NSC25** will also coincide with the iconic Floriade festival – Australia's largest open air flower exhibition.

The scientific program will run from **Thursday 2 October to Sunday 5 October 2025** and will include thought-provoking lectures and plenaries, outstanding masterclasses, workshops, and practice evaluations run by international and Australian experts.

The name "**Canberra**" means **Meeting Place in the language of the Ngunnawal people**. To complement this, the theme of our meeting is "Come Together" – and we have created a program to match. This event is more than just a conference—it's a gathering of minds, a celebration of innovation, and a unique opportunity to connect with peers and leaders in the field of anaesthesia. We have an absolute all-star line-up of keynote speakers including **Professors Tim Cook, Cynthia Wong, Edward Mariano and Alicia Dennis**.

There will be many opportunities to mingle and socialise including welcome drinks, a gala dinner, and relaxed social events. We encourage you to register for the congress to take advantage of the excellent education programs, develop your networks and enjoy all that Canberra has to offer.

We look forward to seeing you there.



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Convenor



Dr Adam Eslick
Scientific Convenor

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NSC25 KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Prof Cynthia Wong

University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine, Iowa City, USA
Professor of Anesthesia
Chair and DEO
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Prof Edward Mariano

Stanford University School of Medicine, USA
Professor of Anesthesiology, Perioperative and Pain Medicine



Prof Tim Cook

Royal United Hospitals
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Director of National Audit Projects
College Advisor on Airway



Prof Alicia Dennis

Douglas Joseph Professor of Anaesthesia, Fulbright Scholar, AU
Professor and Research Scholar Collaborator, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston USA
Professor, Department of Critical Care, University of Melbourne



NSC25 SPEAKERS



Prof Victoria Eley

Professor and Head of Mayne Academy of Critical Care
University of Queensland
Senior Staff Specialist Anaesthetist
Royal Brisbane Womens Hospital



Prof Russell Gruen

Associate Provost (Health and Medical Sciences)
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology



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Deputy Director of Anaesthesia
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Prof Andrew Klein

Consultant Cardiothoracic Anaesthetist
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Former Editor-in-Chief Anaesthesia



Dr Liz Crowe

Wellbeing Consultant
Executive Coach, Wellbeing and Social Science
Researcher, Loss and Grief expert, Advocate of Clinical Debriefing, AU



A/Prof Lachlan Miles

Staff Specialist and Deputy Head of Research
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Specialist Cardiothoracic
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Royal Papworth Hospital, Cambridge UK

Dr Eunice Onisimo

Specialist Anaesthetist
& President

Pacific Society of
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A/Prof Ben Antonio

Cardiac Anesthesiologist and
Health Economist

University of North Carolina, USA

Prof Emily Lancsar

Chief Health Economist of Australia
The Australian National University, AU

Prof Allan Cyna

Specialist Anaesthetist
Women's and Children's Hospital
Clinical Associate Professor
University of Adelaide, AU

Dr Jill Van Acker

Specialist Anaesthetist
Chief Medical Wellbeing Officer
Canberra Health Services, AU

Dr Ross Peake

Specialist Anaesthetist
Canberra, AU

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Paediatric Anaesthetist
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Specialist Anaesthetist
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Dr Nora Dai

Acting Chief Anaesthetist
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NDoH, PNG

Dr Gordan Mijovski

Specialist Cardiothoracic Anaesthetist
University Medical Centre Ljubljana
Slovenia



NSC25 CANBERRA PROGRAM

**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 1**

**President's
welcome reception**

**THURSDAY
OCTOBER 2**

Workshop day
Workshops
including ER,
SGD, Masterclasses

**Healthcare industry
drinks**

**FRIDAY
OCTOBER 3**

Opening plenary
Kester Brown lecture
Scientific program
Lunch sessions

Gala dinner

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 4**

Scientific program
Lunch sessions

**Geoffrey Kaye
Oration**

ASA AGM

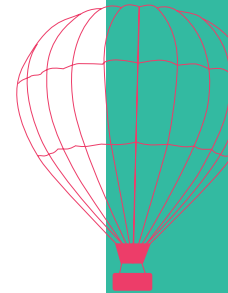
Family night

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 5**

Breakfast session
Scientific program

Closing plenary
Scientific prizes

"The Great Debate"



What does my registration include?

- Access to all scientific sessions, including onsite food and drinks (delegates encouraged to bring their own reusable water bottles and coffee cups)
- Access to book any workshop (restricted by category during the early bird period, after which access is unlimited to available sessions)
- Access to the industry exhibition held at the National Convention Centre Canberra
- Access to the President's welcome reception with a complimentary ticket included in your registration and guest tickets available to purchase
- Access to purchase Gala Dinner tickets for you and any guests
- Access to purchase tickets for organised social tours for you and any guests
- Access to all scientific session recordings, available on demand for 3 months post congress



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM - FRIDAY 3 OCTOBER 2025

0850-1015
OPENING CEREMONY
Chair: Dr Mark Sinclair
 Welcome to Country
 President's Welcome
 Kester Brown Lecture - Prof Russell Gruen

1015-1045 - Morning tea

1100-1215
PLENARY SESSION
Chair: Dr Adam Eslick
 Obstetric anesthesia research in the past 3 decades – what we have accomplished and where do we need to go - **Prof Cynthia Wong**
 Lessons learned from the National Audit Project - **Prof Tim Cook**
 Hypnotic communication for the busy anaesthetist - **Prof Allan Cyna**

1215-1330 - Lunch (Fisher & Paykel and Retired Anaesthetists lunches)

TMG BEST AUDIT/SURVEY

1330-1500
ACUTE PAIN SIG
Chair: Dr Manasi Rai
 Opioid free anaesthesia as a precursor to an opioid-minimised perioperative period – “A user’s manual”
Dr Adrian Sultana
 Applied pharmacology of the commonly used opioid sparing adjuncts
Dr Kaitlyn Cobcroft
 Rational opioid analgesic management in the perioperative setting
A/Prof Kok-Eng Khor

ODEC
Chair: Dr Meg Wamsley
 Developing simulation based education in a low resource environment: Challenges and successes in Fiji
Dr Eunice Onisimo
 2 anaesthetists for 760,000 people: Anaesthesia in the Solomon Islands
Dr Delwyn Pitakoe
 Anaesthesia services in PNG: An update
Dr Nora Dai

WEBAIRS
Chair: Dr Orysia Sandry
 From incident to insight: Airway safety lessons via webAIRS
Dr Yasmin Endlich
 “What do you mean?”
Dr James French
 When routes go wrong: Neuraxial & IV drug errors reported to webAIRS
Dr Jina Hanna

AIC
 “Popping the hood” researchers give a preview of what they are currently working on and where they hope it will lead
Chair: Dr Sharon Tivey & Prof Philip Peyton
 TBA
Dr Luke Perry
 AI in Medicine: Anaesthetic Intelligence, augmented Irritation, awfully important or all three together?
A/Prof Justin Skowno
 Sugammadex and hormones – is there any evidence to follow?
Dr Natalie Smith

WELLBEING SIG - Wellbeing advocacy: Scenarios for discussion
Chair: Dr Heman Tse
Dr Jill Van Acker
Dr Anna Hughes
Dr Kerrie Aust

TRAINEE BEST POSTER PRIZE



1500-1530 - Afternoon tea

1530-1700
PAEDIATRIC
Chair: Dr Jennifer Hartley
 Effective peri-procedural communication
Dr Erika Strazdins
 TIVA for children
A/Prof Justin Skowno
 Which child to send away
A/Prof Lance Lasersohn

AIRWAY SIG
Chair: Dr Rani Chahal
 PUMA extubation guidelines
Dr Louise Ellard
 A structured approach to triage of the predicted difficult airway
Prof Tim Cook
 Ventilation through a straw: A game changing solution for critical airway obstruction
Dr Sivan Wexler

HAEMATOLOGY
Chair: Dr Ross Hanrahan
 Perioperative management of DOACs
Dr Renee Eslick
 Update on ROTEM
Dr Catherine Downs
 State of the art in transfusion
A/Prof Philip Crispin

DAYCARE SIG
Chair: Dr Ken Sleeman
 Making day case lower extremity arthroplasty work
Prof Edward Mariano
 The “No Beds” audit
Dr Leena Nagappan
 DayCOR registry update
Dr Ken Sleeman

ECONOMICS
Chair: Dr Girish Palnitkar
 Health economics and anaesthesia
A/Prof Emily Lancsar
 Economic challenges in American anesthesiology. The No Surprises Act
A/Prof Ben Antonio
 Creating value in perioperative care - what we need to know
Prof Guy Ludbrook

GILBERT TROUP PRIZE



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM - SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER 2025

0900 - 1015
PLENARY SESSION
Chair: A/Prof Suzi Nou
 Symbolism, sacrifice and sex
Prof Alicia Dennis
 How regional anaesthesia and analgesia will change the future of our specialty
Prof Edward Mariano

1015-1045 Morning tea

1045-1215
REGIONAL SIG
Chair: Dr Ross Peake
 Phrenic sparing upper limb blocks with live demonstration
Prof Edward Mariano
 Gastric ultrasound
Dr Nav Sidhu
 The fast and the furious: Gastric ultrasound and GLP-1 receptor agonists
Dr Brigid Brown

COMING TOGETHER FOR OUTCOMES IN CARDIOVASCULAR SURGERY
Chair: Dr Jo Irons
 Uh oh, they've arrested
Dr Natalie Kruit
 Cardiac output monitoring in non-cardiac surgery
Dr Luke Perry
 Opioid sparing cardiovascular surgery
Dr Gordan Mijovski

OBSTETRIC SIG
Chair: Dr Jane Brown
 Making it work-optimising epidural labour analgesia
Prof Cynthia Wong
 Perioperative management of patients with pre-eclampsia
Prof Alicia Dennis
 Management of pain during LSCS under neuraxial anaesthesia
Prof Victoria Eley

MORBID OBESITY MANAGEMENT & BARIATRIC ANAESTHESIA
Chair: Dr Lan-Hoa Le
 Outside the anaesthetic bay - Obesity management
Dr Deborah Inman
 Metabolic bariatric surgery in adolescents - Too little too late?
Dr Douglas Hacking
 Lessons from enhanced recovery after bariatric surgery protocol
Dr Jacky Lin
 Opioids in obesity anaesthesia - A dream or a disservice?
Dr Mike Margaron

COMING TOGETHER FOR RESEARCH
Chair: Dr Louise Ellard
 Coming together to create research
Prof Natalie Smith
 An idiot's guide to interpreting Bayesian trials
A/Prof Lachlan Miles
 Applying Occam's Razor to understanding lung gas exchange in anaesthesia
Prof Philip Peyton

NSC BEST PO



1215-1330 - Lunch (Solventum sponsored lunch & Weli lunch)

1330-1500
NSC26 HUNTER VALLEY, NSW LAUNCH
GEOFFREY KAYE ORATION
Chair: Dr Vida Viliunas OAM
Dr Mark Sinclair
ASA President
 The science of wellbeing in health- past, present and future
Dr Liz Crowe

1500-1530 - Afternoon tea

1530-1700
PLENARY SESSION
Chair: Dr Girish Palnitkar
 The NOTACS study - nasal high-flow oxygen therapy to improve patient outcome: An international multicenter trial - **Prof Andy Klein**
 Coming together for IVC tumour resection - **Dr Louise Ellard**
 The psychology and sociology of teams and individuals in emergencies: Making them and coming together to fix them - **A/Prof Stuart Marshall**

1700-1830 - ASA AGM and drinks

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM - SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER 2025

0730-0830 **BREAKFAST: BUSINESS AND BILLINGS - ALL THINGS ASA**
Dr Michael Lumsden-Steel, Dr Janette Wright & Dr James Hosking

0900-1030 **PERIOPERATIVE SIG**
Partnering for Better Outcomes, Recovery, and Lifelong Health
Chair: Dr Jill Van Acker
The Evidence Gap: Why we overdiagnose and overtreat
Prof Ian Harris
Low-Value care and system reform: Insights from the NSW ACI
Dr Ellen Rawstron
Consumer led change: Health literacy and quality improvement in perioperative medicine
Dr Rajni Lal
Surgery at the end of life: Aligning interventions with patient goals
Dr Chuan-Whei Lee

LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT SIG
Chair: Dr Mark Priestly
Panel
Dr Jody Glading
Dr Antonio Di Dio
Prof Imogen Mitchell
A/Prof Suzi Nou

OBSTETRIC SESSION
Come together for the big, bad and scary
Chair: Dr Nik Kuruvilla
Rare complications in obstetric anaesthesia
Dr Lanie Stephens
Congenital heart disease in pregnancy
Dr Erica Sanderson
Pulmonary hypertension in pregnancy
Dr Sameeka Kariyawasam

CARDIAC SESSION
Under Pressure
Chair: Dr Girish Palnitkar
Cath lab crisis management
Dr Joanne Irons
Pulmonary hypertension for the non-cardiac anaesthetist
Dr Guillermo Martinez
CVP: The forgotten pressure
A/Prof Lachlan Miles

NEURO SIG
What's new in neurovascular
Chair: Dr Julia Hoy
The neurosurgeons perspective
Dr Nazih Assaad
The neuroradiologist's perspective
Dr Shiv Lalloo
The neuroanaesthetist's perspective
Dr Dani Goh

1030-1100 Morning tea

1100-1300 **CLOSING PLENARY**
Chair: Dr Vida Viliunas OAM
NSC Awards Presentation - Dr Indy Lin
Medicine for the Brave - **Prof Alicia Dennis**
"The Great Debate"
Debate: Aren't we all perioperative physicians ?
Team 1 Affirmative - Prof Tim Cook, Dr Carmel McInerney & Dr Sally Wharton
Team 2 Negative - Prof Andy Klein, Dr Maryann Turner & Dr Vaughn Oerder



BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SESSIONS

BREAKFAST SESSION

Business & billings: All things ASA

SUNDAY 5/10/2025 0730-0830

Cost Complimentary

Facilitators: Dr Michael Lumsden Steel, Dr Janette Wright & Dr James Hosking

Join us for Business & Billings: All Things ASA - a practical session covering key aspects of anaesthesia practice management. From billing insights to ASA guidelines, get the latest updates and expert advice to optimise your professional and financial success.

LUNCH SESSION

Trainee lunch

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 1230-1330

Cost Complimentary

Take a break and connect with fellow trainees at the Trainee Lunch. It's a perfect opportunity to connect with peers, network with mentors, and fuel up for a day of learning. Enjoy a casual setting with great food and even better conversations.

LUNCH SESSION

Fisher and Paykel sponsored lunch - Do my patients need nasal high-flow oxygen therapy during sedation for cardiology

FRIDAY 3/10/2025 1215-1330

Cost \$A25

Facilitator: Prof Andy Klein



LUNCH SESSION

Retired anaesthetists lunch

FRIDAY 3/10/2025 1215-1330

Cost Complimentary

Join fellow retired anaesthetists for a relaxed and engaging Retired Anaesthetist Lunch—a chance to reconnect, share experiences, and enjoy a delightful meal in great company. Celebrate a career well spent while catching up with old friends and making new ones.

LUNCH SESSION

Solventum sponsored lunch - Emerging evidence on normothermia solutions: Understanding differences in device performance

SATURDAY 4/10/25 1215-1330

Cost \$A25

Presenter: Prof David Sturgess and Prof Nick Ralph



LUNCH SESSION

WELI

SATURDAY 4/10/25 1215-1330

Cost \$A50

Presenters: Dr Suzi Nou, Dr Maryann Turner, Dr Alison Brereton and Dr Lia Freestone

All are welcome to join us for lunch as we discuss some of the work being done to address the issue of gender equity in anaesthesia. This lunch includes a mini workshop on introducing yourself and how to network at conferences. There will also be an opportunity to practice your skills with some of the big names in anaesthesia!

WORKSHOP PROGRAM - THURSDAY 2 OCTOBER

0900 SESSION

ER1	Adult ALS
ER2	Paediatric ALS
WS1	Hip and knee blocks
SGD1	TIVA Update and refresher on TCI models
WS2	Gastric ultrasound in the Ozempic era
WS3	Mastering eye blocks
WS4	Tracheostomy management
ER3	CICO
WS5	Cultural safety
MC2	ECMO concepts and cases
MC3	Patient safety and human factors
WS6	Anaesthetic side-hustles
WS22	Psychological First Aid

1100 SESSION

ER4	Adult ALS
ER5	Paediatric ALS
WS7	Upper limb blocks
SGD3	Emergencies in obstetrics
T1	Tracheostomy management for trainees
ER6	Major haemorrhage
WS8	Mastering eye blocks
WS9	Pre-hospital medicine
ER7	CICO
SGD4	Anaesthesia for ECT
WS10	Cultural safety
MC4	Cases in TAVI
MC5	Persuasion and influence - A workshop to strengthen your influence and leadership skills 1100-1500
SGD7	Neurosurgical emergencies for the occasional neuroanaesthetist

1330 SESSION

ER8	Anaphylaxis management
ER9	Neonatal ALS - 1330-1700
WS11	Chest wall blocks
MC6	Daycase plastic surgery
MC7	Viscoelastic testing - real world examples
WS12	Focused TTE for busy anaesthetists
MC8	Anaesthesia and pain management without opioids
T2	Coaching for success in training, managing imposter syndrome and passing exams
SGD5	Medicolegal workshop – Reducing risk and increasing serenity
SGD6	Medical statistics for anaesthetists: Simples
SGD9	Special care dental

1530 SESSION

ER10	Anaphylaxis management
WS15	Gastric ultrasound in the Ozempic era
WS16	Lung Isolation and bronchial blockers
ER11	Obstetric ALS
WS17	Focused TTE for busy anaesthetists
WS18	Introduction to intraoperative neuromonitoring
SOCIAL	Wine tasting
WS19	Critical incident debriefing
MC10	Adult congenital heart disease
SGD8	Managing complex acute-on-chronic pain
WS20	Hypnosis and communication
WS21	Truncal Blocks
T3	Tips, tricks and insights for obstetric anaesthesia

FRIDAY 3 OCT

SOCIAL	Yoga 0700-0800
ER12	CICO 1330-1530
ER13	ALS 1530-1700
MC9	Perioperative management of RV dysfunction

SATURDAY 4 OCT

ER14	ALS 1045-1215
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SUNDAY 5 OCT

Audit1	Clinical audit 0900-1030
SOCIAL	Paddle boarding 1400-1600

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 1 & 4 - Adult ALS

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	ER 1 - 0900-1030 ER 4 - 1100-1230
Cost	\$A200

Facilitator: Dr Stuart McKnown

Through low-fidelity anaesthetic-based Advanced Life Support (ALS) simulations, this adult ALS session will provide delegates with an opportunity to work within small groups to practice theatre-based ALS and gain CPD hours for the cardiac arrest emergency response activity. Pre-reading will be sent out in advance.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop
ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Cardiac Arrest

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 2 & 5 - Paediatric ALS

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	ER 2 - 0900-1030 ER 5 - 1100-1230
Cost	\$A200

Facilitator: Dr Jen Hartley

Through low-fidelity anaesthetic-based Advanced Life Support (ALS) simulations, this paediatric ALS session will provide delegates with an opportunity to work within small groups to practice theatre-based ALS and gain CPD hours for the cardiac arrest emergency response activity. Pre-reading will be sent out in advance.

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ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Cardiac Arrest

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 3 & 7 - CICO

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	ER 3 - 0900-1030 ER 7 - 1100-1230
Cost	\$A200

Facilitator: Dr Shruti Krishnan

Our 'Can't intubate, can't oxygenate' is a workshop which will prepare participants to perform both oral and scalpel methods for emergency airway situations.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop
ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - CICO

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 6 - Major Haemorrhage

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	ER 6 - 1100-1230
Cost	\$A200

Facilitator: Dr Vida Viliunas OAM

This interactive workshop will provide a framework for managing critical haemorrhage across a range of clinical scenarios. It will include discussion of technical and non-technical skills as well as updates and tricks that can be translated to daily practice.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop
ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Major Haemorrhage

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 8 & 10 - Anaphylaxis Management

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	ER 8 - 1330-1500 ER 10 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A200

Facilitator: Dr Melinda Ford

This emergency response workshop will guide participants through a review of current anaphylaxis management guidelines highlighting the most recent changes. Using several case-based discussions we will discuss different ways anaphylaxis may present and review treatment options. We will conclude by presenting our local experience in anaesthetic allergy investigations. Pre-reading will be sent out in advance.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop
ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Anaphylaxis

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 9 - Neonatal ALS

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	ER 9 - 1330-1700
Cost	\$A200

Facilitator: A/Prof Tejasvi Chaudhari & Dr Freya Aaskov

Through low-fidelity anaesthetic-based Advanced Life Support (ALS) simulations, this neonatal ALS session will provide delegates with an opportunity to work within small groups to practice theatre-based ALS and gain CPD hours for the cardiac arrest emergency response activity. Pre-reading will be sent out in advance.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop
ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Cardiac Arrest

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 11- Obstetric ALS

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 ER 11 - 1530-1700

Cost \$A200

Facilitator: Dr Katie McCloy

Through low-fidelity anaesthetic-based Advanced Life Support (ALS) simulations, this obstetric ALS session will provide delegates with an opportunity to work within small groups to practice theatre-based ALS and gain CPD hours for the cardiac arrest emergency response activity. Pre-reading will be sent out in advance.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop

ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Cardiac Arrest

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 12 - CICO

FRIDAY 3/10/2025 ER 12 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A200

Facilitator: Dr Shruti Krishnan

Our 'Can't intubate, can't oxygenate' pre-reading will prepare participants to perform both cannula and mask methods for emergency airway situation.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop

ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - CICO

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOP

ER 13 & 14- ALS

FRIDAY 3/10/2025 ER 13 - 1530-1700

SATURDAY 4/10/2025 ER 14 - 1045-1215

Cost \$A200

Facilitator: Dr Stuart McKnown

Through low-fidelity anaesthetic-based Advanced Life Support (ALS) simulations, this session will provide delegates with an opportunity to work within small groups to practice theatre-based ALS and gain CPD hours for the cardiac arrest emergency response activity. Pre-reading will be sent out in advance.

CPD Home - Educational Activities - Emergency Response Workshop

ANZCA CPD - Emergency Response - Cardiac Arrest

WORKSHOP

WS 1 - Hip and knee blocks

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 1 - 0900-1030

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Dr Ross Peake

Join us for a hands-on workshop focused on the latest techniques in hip and knee nerve blocks. This session is designed for anaesthetists looking to enhance their skills in regional anaesthesia for orthopaedic and pain management procedures. Learn from Dr Peake as he covers ultrasound-guided techniques, anatomical landmarks, patient selection, and clinical applications to optimise pain relief and improve patient outcomes. Whether you're new to nerve blocks or seeking to refine your technique, this interactive workshop will provide valuable insights and practical experience.

CPD Home - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP

WS 2 & 15 - Gastric ultrasound in the ozempic era

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 2 - 0900-1030
WS 15 - 1530-1700

Cost \$A120

Facilitators: Dr Daniel Foong & Dr Mitch Blake

With the rising use of GLP-1 receptor agonists like Ozempic, perioperative aspiration risk assessment has become increasingly complex. This workshop equips anaesthetists with the skills to utilise gastric ultrasound for real-time evaluation of gastric content, ensuring patient safety and optimising fasting guidelines. Through expert-led instruction and hands-on scanning practice, participants will learn to interpret gastric antral measurements, identify high-risk patients, and apply findings to clinical decision-making. Stay ahead of the curve in this evolving landscape and refine your approach to airway management in the Ozempic era.

CPD Home - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP

WS 3 & 8 - Mastering eye blocks

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 3 - 0900-1030
WS 8 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A120

Facilitators: Dr Nerida Robinson & Dr Catherine Muggeridge

Refine your skills in ophthalmic regional anaesthesia with this comprehensive workshop on eye blocks. Designed for anaesthetists seeking to enhance their expertise, this hands-on session covers peribulbar, retrobulbar, and sub-Tenon's techniques. Learn from experienced faculty as we focus on anatomy, needle techniques, complication avoidance, and ultrasound guidance to improve precision and patient safety. Whether you're new to eye blocks or looking to refine your approach, this workshop will provide the knowledge and confidence to excel in ophthalmic anaesthesia. Note that deceased animal tissue will be used in this workshop.

CPD Home - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

WORKSHOP

WS4 - Tracheostomy Management

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS4 - 0900-1030

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Dr Connor O'Meara

Enhance your expertise in tracheostomy management with this hands-on workshop designed specifically for anaesthetists. This session will cover essential skills, including airway assessment, tracheostomy insertion techniques, perioperative care, troubleshooting complications, and emergency management.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP

WS 7 - Upper limb blocks

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 7 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Dr Ross Peake

Upper limb blocks are frequently required for orthopaedic, vascular and plastic procedures – for analgesia or anaesthesia. This workshop will go through the major plexus blocks as well individual nerve blocks using ultrasound. Catheter placement and continuously delivered local anaesthetics will also be examined.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP

WS 5 & 10 - Cultural safety

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 5 - 0900-1030
WS 10 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A240

Facilitator: Dr Danelle Arabena

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP

WS 9 - Pre-hospital medicine

FRIDAY 3/10/2025 WS 9 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A120

Facilitators: Dr Chris Partyka & Dr Natalie Kruit

Pre-hospital medicine is a critical aspect of emergency care, requiring quick thinking, effective decision-making, and seamless teamwork. This workshop is designed for healthcare professionals involved in out-of-hospital care, including paramedics, anaesthetists, and emergency physicians. Participants will develop skills in trauma assessment, airway management, fluid resuscitation, and pre-hospital resuscitation, with a focus on the unique challenges of delivering care in non-hospital settings. Through case-based discussions, simulations, and hands-on training, you will gain the expertise to enhance your response to medical emergencies, ensuring better patient outcomes before hospitalisation.

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WORKSHOP

WS 6 - Anaesthetic side-hustles

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 6 - 0900-1030

Cost \$A120

Facilitators: Dr David Reiner & Dr Brandon Barks

Anaesthesia is great but there's more to life than anaesthesia!! Have you ever dreamt of running your own "side hustle" whilst still working? Do you have a great idea that you would love to see materialise into a thriving business? If so, this SGD is for you! Join successful anaesthetists/entrepreneurs David Reiner and Brandon Barks in a focused discussion designed for anaesthetists who juggle clinical practice with running a side business. Gain pearls from experts on idea conception to implementation, time management, and navigating the various challenges faced. This session offers a space to share experiences, gain insights, and network with like-minded professionals.

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WORKSHOP

WS 11 - Chest wall blocks

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 11 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Dr Andrew Deacon

This workshop is designed for anaesthetists looking to enhance their expertise in performing chest wall blocks for thoracic pain management. Covering techniques such as the intercostal, paravertebral, and serratus anterior plane blocks, participants will learn both traditional and ultrasound-guided methods for precise, effective pain relief in thoracic surgery and trauma. Emphasis will be placed on anatomy, needle placement, and managing complications, with a focus on optimising patient safety and improving recovery outcomes. Through hands-on practice and expert guidance, participants will leave with the skills and confidence to incorporate chest wall blocks into their clinical practice. Note that deceased animal tissue will be used in this workshop.

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

WORKSHOP

WS 12 & 17 - Focused TTE for busy anaesthetists

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	WS 12 - 1330-1500 WS 17 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A120

Facilitator: Dr Derek Potgieter

This workshop is designed for anaesthetists looking to quickly integrate focused transthoracic echocardiography (TTE) into their perioperative practice. Learn the key techniques for performing rapid, high-quality cardiac assessments, including evaluating left and right ventricular function, assessing fluid status, and identifying potential complications such as valvular dysfunction and pulmonary hypertension. Through hands-on practice and expert guidance, participants will gain confidence in using TTE to inform clinical decision-making in the operating theatre and ICU. This session will help busy anaesthetists optimise patient care with minimal time investment.

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WORKSHOP

WS 18 - Introduction to intraoperative neuromonitoring

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	WS 18 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A120

Facilitator: Dr Jessie Ly & A/Prof Adam Hastings

Intraoperative neuromonitoring (IONM) is a vital tool for ensuring the safety of patients undergoing high-risk surgery, particularly those involving the nervous system. This introductory workshop is designed for anaesthetists looking to understand the fundamentals of IONM. Topics will include the principles of neuromonitoring, equipment setup, interpreting neuromonitoring data, and integrating IONM into anaesthetic management to reduce complications. Through practical demonstrations and expert discussions, participants will gain the skills needed to enhance patient safety and improve surgical outcomes in procedures where nerve function is at risk.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
ANZCA CPD - Knowledge and skills - short format learning

WORKSHOP

WS 16 - Lung Isolation and bronchial blockers

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	WS 16 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A120

Facilitator: Dr Andrew Deacon

Lung isolation is a required skill for various clinical situations and operations. This can be daunting for those who do not practice this skill on a regular basis. Bronchial blockers are a critically important tool, but are often underused for this purpose. This hands-on workshop is aimed at the occasional thoracic anaesthetist wanting an update/refresher.

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WORKSHOP

WS 19 - Critical incident debriefing

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	WS 19 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A120

Facilitator: Dr Liz Crowe

Critical incidents in healthcare can have significant emotional and psychological impacts on staff. This workshop provides healthcare professionals with the skills to effectively debrief after such events, promoting emotional resilience and supporting team wellbeing. Topics include the principles of critical incident debriefing, communication techniques, identifying signs of stress, and creating a supportive environment for open discussion. Through role-playing, case studies, and expert guidance, participants will learn how to facilitate constructive debriefing sessions, helping to reduce burnout, enhance team cohesion, and improve overall mental health following high-pressure situations.

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WORKSHOP

WS 20 - Hypnosis and communication

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	WS 20 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A120

Facilitators: Prof Allan Cyna & Dr Andrew Watson

This workshop explores the powerful combination of hypnosis and effective communication skills to improve patient outcomes. Designed for healthcare professionals, it focuses on using hypnosis as a tool for pain management, anxiety reduction, and enhancing the overall patient experience, particularly in high-stress medical settings. Learn the principles of conversational hypnosis, suggestibility, and how to incorporate hypnotic techniques into your practice to foster trust, ease discomfort, and support healing. Through practical demonstrations and interactive sessions, participants will develop the skills to integrate hypnosis into their clinical communication, improving patient rapport and care quality.

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

WORKSHOP

WS 21 - Truncal blocks

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 21 - 1530-1700

Cost \$A120

Facilitators: Dr Katrina Webster

Enhance your regional anaesthesia skills with our hands-on Truncal Block Workshop! This comprehensive session covers key techniques, including TAP (Transversus Abdominis Plane), rectus sheath, and erector spinae plane blocks—essential for post-operative and acute pain management.

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WORKSHOP

WS 22 - Psychological First Aid

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 WS 22 - 900-1030

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Australian Red Cross

Psychological first aid is a support activity that helps people impacted by an emergency, disaster or traumatic event. It is a humane, supportive response to another person who is suffering and may need support. Learn fundamental skills to use when responding to a crisis. Understand how to take care after an event. The importance of self-care in a stressful context psychological first aid principles, distressing situations and reactions and complex reactions - examining indications where further support is required

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

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MASTER CLASS

MC 2 - ECMO concepts and cases

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 2 - 0900-1030

Cost \$A55

Facilitators: Dr Natalie Kruit

Your next patient on the emergency list needs a laparotomy. By the way, they're on ECMO. How would you approach this situation? ECMO is an increasingly important and accessible therapy for critically ill patients, with enormous relevance to operating theatres, cardiac cath labs and emergency departments. The reach of ECMO is ever-expanding, with numerous regional hospitals now initiating this therapy. Presented by an anaesthetist and retrievalist, this Masterclass will demystify the management of patients on ECMO.

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MASTER CLASS

MC 3 - Patient safety and human factors

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 3 - 0900-1030

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr James French

Understanding human factors is essential for improving patient safety and reducing errors in healthcare. This interactive workshop explores the principles of human factors science, communication, teamwork, and system design to enhance clinical performance. Through case studies, simulations, and practical exercises, participants will gain insights into error prevention, situational awareness, and strategies to create a safer healthcare environment. Led by experienced facilitators, this session is ideal for healthcare professionals committed to strengthening patient safety and optimising team dynamics in high-pressure settings.

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

MASTER CLASS

MC 4 - Cases in TAVI

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 1 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Cameron Maxwell

Transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI) is a complex procedure requiring multidisciplinary collaboration and expert anaesthetic management. This workshop is designed for anaesthetists involved in the perioperative care of TAVI patients, focusing on real-world cases and the unique challenges presented by these high-risk patients. Topics will include preoperative assessment, anaesthetic techniques, managing haemodynamics during the procedure, and post-procedural care. Through case-based discussions and expert-led sessions, participants will gain practical insights into managing complications and optimising outcomes in TAVI procedures, enhancing their skills in this rapidly evolving area of cardiovascular medicine.

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MASTER CLASS

MC 7 - Viscoelastic testing - Real world examples

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 7 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Catherine Downs & Dr Kathryn Santiford

This workshop focuses on the practical use of viscoelastic testing (such as TEG and ROTEM) in guiding blood management and transfusion strategies. Designed for anaesthetists, intensivists, and perioperative teams, it will provide insights into interpreting viscoelastic data in real-world clinical settings, including trauma, cardiac surgery, and liver transplantation. Participants will explore how these tests can optimise coagulation management, reduce unnecessary transfusions, and improve patient outcomes. Through case-based examples and hands-on sessions, attendees will gain confidence in applying viscoelastic testing to enhance decision-making and tailor haemostatic therapy in complex clinical scenarios.

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MASTER CLASS

MC 5 - Persuasion and Influence - A workshop to strengthen your influence and leadership skills

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 5 - 1100-1500

Cost \$A110

Facilitator: Dr Andrew Ottaway

Effective leadership relies on the ability to persuade and influence others with integrity and impact. Based on an in-depth course previously taught at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, this interactive workshop is designed to help healthcare professionals enhance their communication, negotiation, and leadership abilities. Through exploring psychological principles, communication strategies, and real-life case studies, participants will learn to influence decision-making, build rapport, and foster collaboration in multidisciplinary teams. Whether you're looking to motivate colleagues, guide patient care discussions, or lead projects, this workshop will equip you with the tools to strengthen your influence and leadership, fostering positive outcomes and stronger professional relationships.

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MASTER CLASS

MC 8 - Anaesthesia and pain management without opioids

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 8 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Adrian Sultana

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
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MASTER CLASS

MC 6 - Daycase plastic surgery

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 MC 6 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Nerida Robinson

Working in a daycase centre presents challenges that are often not encountered whilst working in a hospital setting. This case-based discussion examines some of these issues and provides tips/techniques to avoid perils and pitfalls.

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

MASTER CLASS

MC 9 - Perioperative management of RV dysfunction

FRIDAY 3/10/2025	MC 9 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A55

Facilitators: A/Prof Lachlan Miles, Dr Guillermo Martinez

Managing right ventricular (RV) dysfunction in non-cardiac surgery can be challenging, requiring an understanding of both anaesthetic techniques and cardiac pathophysiology. This workshop is designed for anaesthetists seeking to enhance their ability to manage patients with RV dysfunction intraoperatively. Topics will include assessing RV function, understanding its impact on haemodynamics, pharmacological strategies, ventilation techniques, and managing fluid balance and airway pressures. Through case-based discussions and practical guidance, participants will develop the skills needed to optimise outcomes and manage complications in patients with RV dysfunction undergoing non-cardiac surgery.

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 3 - Emergencies in obstetrics

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	SGD 3 - 1100-1230
Cost	\$A55

Facilitator: Professor Victoria Eley

Managing obstetric emergencies requires rapid decision-making, effective teamwork, and advanced clinical skills. This hands-on workshop is designed for anaesthetists to refine their response to high-risk scenarios, including postpartum haemorrhage, eclampsia, difficult airway management, and obstetric haemodynamic crises. Through simulations and case-based discussions, participants will develop confidence in recognising and managing emergencies to optimise maternal and neonatal outcomes. Join us to strengthen your expertise and improve multidisciplinary collaboration in obstetric crises situations.

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MASTER CLASS

MC 10 - Adult congenital heart disease

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	MC 10 - 1530-1700
Cost	\$A55

Facilitator: Dr Emma Lei

Adult congenital heart disease (ACHD) presents unique challenges in both diagnosis and management. This workshop is designed for anaesthetists, cardiologists, and multidisciplinary healthcare teams involved in the care of ACHD patients. Topics will include preoperative assessment, anaesthetic considerations, intraoperative management, and post-operative care for patients with various congenital heart defects. Through expert-led discussions and case-based scenarios, participants will gain a deeper understanding of the complexities involved in managing ACHD, equipping them with the tools to deliver safe, tailored care across the lifespan of these patients.

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 4 - Anaesthesia for ECT

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	SGD 4 - 1100-1230
Cost	\$A55

Facilitator: Dr Andrew Hehir

Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) is a vital treatment for patients with severe psychiatric conditions, and anaesthesia plays a key role in ensuring safety and efficacy. This workshop is designed for anaesthetists looking to enhance their knowledge and skills in the anaesthetic management of ECT. Topics include pharmacological considerations, managing patient risk factors, airway management, seizure monitoring, and optimising recovery. Through interactive case studies, practical demonstrations, and expert guidance, participants will gain the confidence to deliver high-quality anaesthesia for ECT, contributing to positive patient outcomes in this delicate procedure.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 1 - TIVA Update and refresher on TCI models

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	SGD 1 - 0900-1030
Cost	\$A55

Facilitator: Dr Andrew Hehir & Dr Julia Hoy

The new Eleveld models for both propofol and remifentanyl will be discussed. These models span infants to the elderly and are better calibrated for age related changes in drug disposition and effect, as well as extremes of weight, including obesity. Are they the one model to rule them all? The new models for dexmedetomidine (Hannivort and Colin) will also be discussed.

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 5 - Medicolegal workshop – Reducing risk and increasing serenity

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	SGD 5 - 1330-1500
Cost	\$A55

Facilitators: Dr Prue Martin and Mr Harry McCay

Unfortunately, in our careers it is quite common to be entangled in a medico legal case. As anaesthetists we are often ill-prepared to deal with these stressful situations. This case-based discussion will examine the process of dealing with medicolegal complaints or coronial inquests and provide strategies to best deal with them.

PDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity
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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 6 - Medical statistics for anaesthetists: Simples

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 SGD 6 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Gemma Tyler

Understanding medical statistics is essential for anaesthetists to interpret research, evaluate clinical outcomes, and make evidence-based decisions. This workshop is designed to demystify medical statistics, breaking down complex concepts into simple, practical tools that can be applied directly to anaesthesia practice. Topics will include basic statistical methods, interpreting p-values, confidence intervals, risk ratios, and understanding study design. Through real-world examples and hands-on exercises, participants will gain the confidence to critically assess clinical data, improve decision-making, and incorporate evidence into their practice more effectively.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 8 - Managing Complex acute-on-chronic pain

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 SGD 8 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Luke Murtagh

Managing complex acute-on-chronic pain requires a nuanced approach that addresses both the underlying chronic condition and the acute pain episode. This workshop is for anaesthetists, pain specialists, and multidisciplinary teams seeking to refine their skills in this challenging area. Topics will include effective assessment, advanced analgesic strategies, interventional techniques, and the role of psychology and rehabilitation in pain management. Through case-based discussions and practical exercises, participants will develop the tools to manage these patients holistically, improve pain relief, and enhance quality of life while minimising the risk of opioid misuse.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 7 - Neurosurgical emergencies for the occasional neuroanaesthetist

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 SGD 7 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Jessie Ly & A/Professor Adam Hastings

Neurosurgical emergencies are a common occurrence after hours and can be challenging for those anaesthetists not doing regular neurosurgery. These case-based discussions will cover spinal surgery, endovascular emergencies including subarachnoid haemorrhage and neurosurgical trauma.

CPDHome - Educational CPD - Group-focused activity

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

SGD 9 - Special care dental

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 SGD 9 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A55

Facilitator: Dr Natalie Marshall

This workshop is designed for anaesthetists and dental professionals who work with patients requiring special care during dental procedures. Topics will include managing sedation and anaesthesia for patients with physical, intellectual, and behavioural disabilities, as well as those with medical comorbidities. Participants will explore techniques for assessing risks, understanding specific challenges in airway management, and delivering safe anaesthesia tailored to each patient's needs. Through case discussions, practical demonstrations, and interactive sessions, participants will gain the confidence to provide high-quality, compassionate care in the special care dental setting.

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CLINICAL AUDIT

AU 1 - Clinical audit - Communication app use in medical practice

SUNDAY 5/10/2025 AU 1 - 0900-1030

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Dr Indy Lin

This audit project aims to capture a snapshot of current practice for anaesthetists across Australia who use mobile phone apps to communicate with colleagues and patients. **Please refer for further requirements to the audit requirements section in the box to the right.**

CPD Home - Improving Patient Outcomes - Clinical Audit

ANZCA CPD - Practice Evaluation - Measuring Outcomes - Clinical Audit

Audit Requirements

To meet the requirements for CPD, participants must:

- Subscribe to the audit during conference registration [max 25 participants]
- Perform data collection with a minimum of [10] successful survey responses (no maximum)
- Each participant will be provided with a URL and QR code linked to a unique copy of the audit survey, from which respondents can complete the survey. This will allow the principal auditor to monitor each participant's progress and ensure compliance with the minimum response target
- Attend the audit presentation session at the ASA NSC in Canberra on Sunday 5, October 2025 at which the results of the audit will be presented and discussed within the context of Australian and international practice.

TRAINEE PROGRAM

TRAINEE SESSION

T 1 - Tracheostomy management for trainees

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 T1 - 1100-1230

Cost \$A120

Facilitator: Dr Jennifer Herrick

Enhance your expertise in tracheostomy management with this hands-on workshop designed specifically for trainee anaesthetists. This session will cover essential skills, including airway assessment, tracheostomy insertion techniques, perioperative care, troubleshooting complications, and emergency management.

TRAINEE SESSION

T 2 - Coaching for success in training, managing imposter syndrome and passing exams (Virtual)

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 T2 - 1330-1500

Cost \$A25

Facilitator: Dr Sancha Robinson

Anaesthesia training and exams are stressful for all trainees. This trainee specific session examines strategies aimed to minimise stress and maximise potential throughout all of the training years. It draws on the unique insight and experience of active anaesthetist, supervisor of training and qualified coach Dr Sancha Robinson.

TRAINEE SESSION

T 3 - Tips, tricks and insights for obstetric anaesthesia

THURSDAY 2/10/2025 T3 - 1530-1700

Cost \$A25

Facilitator: Prof Victoria Eley

Obstetric anaesthesia presents unique challenges that require quick thinking, technical precision, and a deep understanding of maternal and fetal physiology. This practical guide is designed specifically for trainees, offering essential tips, proven techniques, and key insights to build confidence in managing labour analgesia, spinal and epidural anaesthesia, and obstetric emergencies. Covering real-world scenarios, troubleshooting strategies, and evidence-based practices, this resource is an invaluable companion for anaesthesia trainees navigating the fast-paced world of obstetric care.



SOCIAL CALENDAR

SOCIAL WORKSHOPS

Golf - Federal Golf Club

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	1230 - 1800
Cost	\$A245 per person, includes lunch and transfers to/from NCCC/FGC

The Federal Golf Club is one of Canberra's premier public golf courses and has featured in the Golf Digest Top 100 Australian Courses, currently ranking 48th in Golf Australia's best public access courses. Private transfers will depart NCCC at 12.30pm (boxed lunch available) for 18 holes of golf, including motorised carts, before delegates are returned to the NCCC at approximately 6.00pm. Golf club hire available.

SOCIAL WORKSHOPS

Paddle boarding

SUNDAY 5/10/2025	1400-1600
Cost	\$A45

Celebrate the end of the NSC, by enjoying some fresh air on Lake Burley Griffin. Explore Yarralumla Bay on stand up paddle boards, single or double kayaks over 2 hours, while being supported by qualified and trained instructors.



SOCIAL WORKSHOPS

Wine tasting

THURSDAY 2/10/2025	1530-1700
Cost	\$A130
Facilitator: Mr Sebastian Crowther	

Wine Tasting with Sebastian Crowther
Join Sebastian Crowther, a Master Sommelier, who has worked in many of Australia's finest dining establishments, including being Head of Beverage with Neil Perry's Rockpool Restaurants. Seb is also Chairman of Wine Selection for Qantas and owns his own wine importation and distribution company – Real Wines. Seb grew up in Canberra and went on to become the second Australian ever to pass the stringent Court of Master Sommelier's examination in London. This unique experience will give delegates the opportunity to try six hand selected wines from the Canberra region and test their own sommelier skills with a mystery wine blind tasting to finish.

SOCIAL WORKSHOPS

Morning yoga

FRIDAY 3/10/2025	0700-0800
Cost	\$A25
Facilitator: Ms Nayan Sarda	

Join local yogi, Nayan Sarda and start your morning with a rejuvenating yoga session.
A limited number of yoga mats will be available. Please bring your own if possible.



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- Access to purchase workshop specific registrations
- Access to the trade exhibition
- Social functions: Welcome Reception and Family Night included; Gala Dinner tickets available to purchase
- Catering: morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea
- Access to on-demand content

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- Access to specific congress plenary sessions

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- Welcome Reception
- Gala Dinner
- Family Night
- Tours and Canberra activities

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- In the Delegate List published for the congress;
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