

**CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

**PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS AND REGISTRATION: Wednesday 19 May 2010**

0830 Registration - Central Foyer - Level 2

**0900 - 1230 PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (includes tea break from 1030 - 1100)**

N Stenning & Co Pty Ltd	ConMed Linvatec Australia	Covidien
M12 - Level 2	M8 - Level 2	M3 - Level 2
<p>N. STENNING &amp; CO. PTY. LTD. <small>Innovation, Quality and Service Since 1953</small></p>		
<p><b>Caring for your surgical instrument assets</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The limitations of tray tracking and why is it worth fighting for instrument level tracking</li> <li>Life and smoke in post Industrial Revolution operating theatres</li> </ul>	<p><b>An insight into the latest technologies used in theatres</b></p> <p>ConMed Linvatec is once again proud to support ACORN.</p> <p>We are pleased to have the opportunity to facilitate hands-on workshops that will provide you with an insight into the latest technologies used in theatres.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>HD Camera Systems:</b> High Definition Camera Systems have a tendency to sound complicated and confusing. In this workshop, we will break down the system to understand each of the components, how they work, how they fit together and most importantly, what to do when something goes wrong.</li> <li><b>Power Tools:</b> There are many subtleties that differentiate surgical power tools from standard drill and saws. This session will run through the most noticeable differences and include tips on maximising the performance of your surgical power tools.</li> <li><b>Electrosurgery:</b> This session will present an overview of electrosurgery safety, along with troubleshooting and identifying the most common causes of problems associated with electrosurgery. The new AER Defense Smoke Evacuator and the new GoldVac smoke pencils will also be demonstrated.</li> <li><b>Smart OR:</b> Integrated Operating Rooms, Digital ORs, Smart ORs – there are many names for what should be a fully functioning, safe, ergonomic and patient focused operating theatre. We will discuss and outline the most important aspects to consider when building new theatres, adding theatres to an existing complex or refurbishing old theatres.</li> <li><b>Environmental Considerations in your OR:</b> This session will show how good environmental decisions in the OR can also be commercially and clinically beneficial to the hospital. We will also discuss some simple methodologies when comparing the environmental impact of two products.</li> <li><b>Equipment Life Cycle Considerations:</b> Nothing is free – This session will examine the many costs and performance factors that should be reviewed when considering the latest special offer that appears on your desk.</li> </ul> <p>The sessions are interactive and recommended for any nurse working in an operating room or day surgery unit.</p>	<p><b>Innovations in Surgery - Innovative new products and the evolution in surgical techniques</b></p> <p>The operating room is a challenging environment due to the constant stream of innovative new products and the evolution in surgical techniques.</p> <p>Covidien's workshop will provide both educational and hands-on sessions that cater to addressing your challenges and answering your questions across the following focus areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Single incision surgery</b> Understanding the different set-ups for single incision surgery with the SILS™ port and insertion of the Roticulator™ instruments for the correct angles of approach</li> <li><b>Hernia Meshes</b> Tips and techniques for handling and inserting Parietex™ Composite meshes in ventral hernias</li> <li><b>Electrosurgical Effects</b> Hands-on demonstration of different tissue effects utilising various waveforms (cut, coagulation, Valleylab™ mode) and the potential detrimental effects of high voltage to the patient</li> <li><b>Tissue reinforcement</b> Easy loading of Duet TRS™ endostapling cartridges fully integrated with tissue reinforcement</li> <li><b>Hydrogel sealants</b> Tips and techniques for preparing PleuraSeal™ pleural sealant and VascoSeal™ vascular sealant</li> <li><b>Knotless Sutures</b> Loading of the V-Loc™ 180 device - an innovation in unidirectional barbed technology</li> <li><b>Smoke Evacuation</b> Benefits of the RapidVac™ smoke evacuation system for an optimal OR environment</li> </ul>

<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2
1300	<b>ACORN NEWCOMERS SESSION - (Information Session)</b>
1400	<b>ACORN 2010 AGM AND OPEN FORUM - (includes State Reports)</b>
1600	<b>Afternoon Tea - Theatre Foyer, Level 2</b>
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2
1630	<b>JUDITH CORNELL ORATION AND INVESTITURE OF FELLOWS</b>
1800 - 2000	<b>WELCOME RECEPTION AND OFFICIAL OPENING OF HEALTH PARTNERS EXHIBITION - Pavilion 1, Level 2</b>



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**DAY ONE: THURSDAY 20 MAY 2010**

0800	Registration - Central Foyer - Level 2			
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2			
0830	<b>WELCOME AND OPENING CEREMONY</b>	Cheryl Winter (ACORN President)		
0900	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b>	From strength to strength – nurturing our roots and spreading our wings <i>Professor Mary Chiarella</i>		
0945	<b>Morning Tea Break with the Exhibition</b> - Pavilions 1 and 2			
<b>CONCURRENT SESSION ONE</b>				
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2	M1/2 - Level 2	M4 - Level 2	M5 - Level 2
<b>Theme</b>	<i>Judy Bridges Memorial Stream</i> <b>Professional Growth</b>	<b>Teamwork</b>	<b>Innovation</b>	<b>Influential</b>
1015	<i>Nanette Lundie</i> Westward bound... building a strong future through workforce planning	<i>Phyllis Davis</i> Clinical Governance What Why and How?	<i>Melanie Robinson</i> The growth of instrument coordinators role	<b>Product Knowledge Session</b> <i>Dr Catherine Murphy</i> Reducing non-parenteral occupational exposures to potentially infectious body fluids through better technology, behavioural change and organizational factors <i>Dr Robert Baird</i> Antimicrobial gloves: the need, their effectiveness and their safety for theatre nurses <i>sponsored by ANSELL</i>
1040	<i>Dr Lois Hamlin and Dr Brigid Gillespie</i> Measuring perioperative nurses' competence – and building a stronger future	<i>Deborah Burrows</i> Rural NSW area clinical nurse consultant – promoting teamwork from a distance	<i>Kari King</i> Evidence-based best practise principles for minimally invasive procedures	
1105	<i>Fiona Adcock and Jane Thomas</i> Optimising the Division 2 Workforce in the perioperative environment	<i>Heather Stormonth</i> Managing difficult behaviours in perioperative settings	<i>Colin Brook</i> Water quality, chemical quality, inventory quality and instrument tracking	<i>Dr Cathryn Murphy</i> Drama in theatres: Can we ignore long-held infection control measures and still provide safe patient care
1130	<i>Catherine Smith and Justine Jones</i> Towards the future - change management and keeping the culture	<i>Leanne Mastin</i> A willing team	<i>Wendy Di Trani</i> Head and neck cancer: Our 2-team approach to improve efficiency	<i>Mary Hickson, Lilian Blair and Barbara May</i> Systematic review for best practise in infection control in the Hastings Macleay Network (HMN), NCAHS NSW
1200 - 1430	<b>Lunch Break with the Exhibition and Judging of Best Poster Award</b> - Pavilions 1 and 2			
<b>CONCURRENT SESSION TWO</b>				
<b>Theme</b>	<i>Judy Bridges Memorial Stream</i> <b>Professional Growth</b>	<b>Teamwork and Innovation</b>	<b>Innovation</b>	<b>Influential</b>
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2	M1/2 - Level 2	M4 - Level 2	M5 - Level 2
1430	<i>Leanne Rowlands</i> Introducing the "Always" factor within perioperative services	<i>Michelle Loth and Anne Maree Allanson</i> University bound: Ensuring a strong future	<i>Lesley Stewart</i> O&G Specialists Surgical Outreach Northern Territory	<i>Carolyn Ellis</i> Unmasking research
1455	<i>Peter Teekens</i> The perioperative career pathway – a South Australian perspective	<i>Avril Brown</i> Innovation from the workplace: Evaluation of an interdepartmental collaboration providing supportive learning environments to undergraduate nurses	<i>Prof Marina Wallace</i> Road to recovery - advances in colorectal surgery	<i>Tracy Kerle</i> Laser safety: Demystifying standards and regulations
1520	<i>Jane Griffiths</i> New and challenging environment for the perioperative nurse	<i>Paula Foran</i> The value of operating room nursing for the undergraduate nurses - innovative national research	<i>Karen Briggs</i> The use of simulation in anaesthetic nursing	<i>Mona Asghari Fard</i> Many faces: Managing diversity in health care
1545	<b>Special Interest Group Sessions</b> - Locations to be advised, subject to interest			
1630	Close of Sessions			
	Evening free			

**DAY TWO: FRIDAY 21 MAY 2010**

0800	Registration - Central Foyer - Level 2			
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2			
0830	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b>	Designing and implementing the WHO Safe Surgery Saves Lives Checklist <i>Professor Bruce Barraclough AO</i>		
0915	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b>	On Q with Surgical Safety <i>Captain Richard Sudlow</i>		
0945	<b>Morning Tea break with the Exhibition</b> - Pavilions 1 and 2			
<b>CONCURRENT SESSION THREE</b>				
<b>Venue</b>	M1/2 - Level 2	M4 - Level 2	M5 - Level 2	Riverside Theatre - Level 2
<b>Theme</b>	<b>Standards</b>	<b>Innovation</b>	<b>Influential</b>	<b>'Judy Bridges Memorial Stream' Professional Growth</b>
1015	<i>Kathryn Fisher</i> From east to west: Future directions for latex allergy	<i>Sally Squire and Merilyn Annells</i> PACU handover: Are we getting it right?	<i>Leigh Anderson</i> Safer surgery to save lives	<i>Margaret Thomson</i> Building a strong future through effective communication: Part 1 The way people communicate
1040	<i>Virginia O'Hearn</i> Get the lead out: Knowing how and when with radiation safety and protection	<i>Leanne Mastin and Andrew Hawes</i> Empowering recovery nurses	<i>Dr Brigid Gillespie, Prof Wendy Chaboyer and Dr Nicole Fairweather</i> The influence of interruptions on the length of delay in surgery	<i>Margaret Thomson</i> Building a strong future through effective communication: Part 2 It's all about me!
1105	<i>Diane Gilmour</i> The WHO surgical checklist - the UK perspective	<i>Mark Taylor</i> Sweet dreams - improving the patients' journey	<i>Colleen Hamilton</i> Cultural change: The foundation for a unified workplace	<i>Libby Webb</i> A Nursing Portfolio
1130	<i>Bonnie McLeod</i> The role of nurses in greening the health care system	<i>Tracey Nicholls</i> FESS made functional	<i>Jennifer Bessell and Lesley Gilbert</i> CQI plus - an impetus for change and professional growth	<i>Karen Clark-Burg</i> In leaps and bounds: Towards a strong future
1200 - 1430	<b>Lunch Break with the Exhibition</b> - Pavilions 1 and 2		M10 - Level 2 1400 – 1430 <i>Rob McCann</i> Using the web to go with ACORN	
<b>CONCURRENT SESSION FOUR</b>				
<b>Venue</b>	M1/2- Level 2	M4 - Level 2	M5 - Level 2	Riverside Theatre - Level 2
<b>Theme</b>	<b>Influential</b>	<b>Teamwork</b>	<b>Innovation</b>	<b>'Judy Bridges Memorial Stream' Professional Growth</b>
1430	<b>Special Session</b> <i>Sponsored by Device Technologies</i>	<i>Ken Leeming and Caroline McLoughlin</i> Paediatrics, enhancing our practice	<i>Susan Frew</i> Organ Donation the theatre retrieval	<i>Patricia Nicholson</i> Going west to teach and learn: Developing competencies in the operating theatre
1455	The latest trends in operating theatre design (45 mins)	<i>Barbara McArthur</i> An exploration of damage control surgery and the multiple trauma patient	<i>Zaneta Smith, Gavin Leslie and Dianne Wynaden</i> Australian perioperative nurses experiences in multi-organ procurement surgery: Preliminary findings	<i>Patricia Nicholson</i> Going west to teach and learn: Developing competencies in the operating theatre
1520	Faster turnaround in the operating room (45 mins)	<i>Angela McKay, Nigel Chong, James Harrison</i> Team time out - observational simulation "How the West Will be Won for training team behaviour	<i>Anne Cowie</i> A broad overview of femoral head donation and cadaveric - retrieval, processing and implantation	<i>Rose Lyall and Peter Callan</i> Implementing the WHO surgical safety checklist in a private hospital
1545	<i>Lesley Bateman</i> ACHS – EQUIP	<i>Jenny Cubitt</i> Systems that enable operating theatre personnel to contribute to the safety quality and performance of medical devices	<i>Dr Lois Hamlin</i> The perioperative nursing workforce program in NSW - heading in the right direction	<i>Joanne Agnew</i> Informed consent from which point of view
1610	Close of Sessions			
1900	<b>CONFERENCE DINNER and EXCELLENCE IN PERIOPERATIVE NURSING AWARD</b> - Bellevue Ballroom 2 <i>Sponsored by Johnson &amp; Johnson Medical</i>			

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**DAY THREE: SATURDAY 22 MAY 2010**

0800	Registration - Central Foyer - Level 2			
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2			
0830	<b>KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b>	Advances in Neurosurgery <i>Dr Charlie Teo</i>		
0900	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b>	Humanitarian Aid <i>Phyllis Davis; Mary Jo Steiert; Caroline Higgins; Mr Chris Allen</i>		
1000	<b>Morning Tea break with the Exhibition</b> - Pavilions 1 and 2			
<b>CONCURRENT SESSION FIVE</b>				
<b>Theme</b>	<b>International</b>	<b>Innovation</b>	<b>Influential</b>	<i>'Judy Bridges Memorial Stream'</i> <b>Professional Growth</b>
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2	M5 - Level 2	M4 - Level 2	M1/2 - Level 2
1030	<i>Mary Jo Steiert</i> The power of the perioperative voice: International networking, collaboration, leadership	<i>Dr David Huber</i> Preventing heel pressure ulcers beginning in the operating theatre – a discussion of the new European and North American consensus document	<i>Mr Chris Allen</i> Plastic surgical aid to Tanzania	<i>Suellen Moore</i> Preparing the perioperative staff for national registration and continuing education requirements
1055	<i>Margaret Bell</i> Delivering medical humanitarian aid in Haiti: The Médecins Sans Frontières experience	<i>Sally Sutherland-Fraser</i> Building a strong future from research on pressure ulcer risk management	<i>Pam Carter</i> Systems that enable operating theatre personnel to contribute to the safety, quality and performance of medical devices	<b>Perioperative NOVICE PAPERS</b> 4 x 15 min presentations plus Q&A <i>Lorraine Boerth</i> Perky valves – a future for those who aren't!
1120	<i>Caroline Siwi Toikilik</i> Papua New Guinea Perioperative Nurses Society (PNGPNS) - Formation, progress to date and future vision	<i>Lynda Mitchell</i> Using clinical supervision to build strong future direction for nursing practice	<i>Donna Watson</i> Surgical smoke – what we know	<i>Nicole Jones</i> The role of the nurse sedationist <i>Carolyn Lister</i> Use of face masks by non-scrubbed operating room staff: A randomized controlled trial
1145	<i>Caroline Higgins</i> Building a strong future	<i>Fiona Shipman and Patricia Nicholson</i> Working together: A partnership approach to maintaining standards by the medical technology industry	<i>Libby Webb</i> The Ashmore Reef Incident	<i>Michelle Skrivanic</i> Recycling waste and reducing clinical waste in the operating suite – a team approach <i>Question time</i>
1205 - 1400	<b>Lunch Break with the Exhibition</b> - Pavilions 1 and 2 <b>Exhibition Raffles and Prizes</b>			
<b>Venue</b>	Riverside Theatre - Level 2			
1400	<b>MOTIVATIONAL KEYNOTE</b>	<i>Dr Charlie Teo</i>		
1445	<b>PRESENTATION OF AWARDS AND CLOSING CEREMONY</b>	Closing Remarks - Cheryl Winter (ACORN President) <b>Best Paper and Best Novice Paper</b> <i>Awards Sponsored by N Stenning &amp; Co</i>		
1515	Conference Close			

## SOCIAL PROGRAM

### POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Posters will be on display throughout the conference. Poster presenters will be available for discussion during the tea and coffee breaks.

*Nicole Campbell and Kristy Acreman*

Developing a system of ensuring completion of competencies within appropriate timeframes

*Noel Dawson, Clare Lewis and Ruth Bock*

Total joint replacement surgical site infection eliminated plus skin blistering almost eliminated by closing case with polymeric membrane dressings. 900 case review report

*Naida Hutton*

Communication initiatives for specimen management and management of blood for transfusion

*Ken Leeming*

Drager Primus Q+A

*Tracey Nicholls*

Winning a premiers scholarship: Where it will take you

*Carol Rosevear (Joanne Dott presenting)*

Reducing risk of post-operative complications after joint replacement surgery

*Sandy Thatcher and Yvette Rogers*

Transition from linen to disposable gowns – a project undertaken in 2009

*Helene Topaloudis and Kathryn Sherrard*

Improved patient outcome through performance feedback to anaesthesia providers

### WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 2010

#### WELCOME RECEPTION AND OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE HEALTH PARTNERS' EXHIBITION

Perth Convention Exhibition Centre - Pavilion 1/2  
1800 - 2000

Please join us for a special opportunity to renew old acquaintances or make some new friends while viewing the comprehensive Health Partners Exhibition.

The Reception is included in full, student and exhibitor registrations.

Guest Tickets @ \$110 (\$10 GST)

### WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 2010

#### JUDITH CORNELL ORATION AND INVESTITURE OF FELLOWS

Perth Convention Exhibition Centre  
- Riverside Theatre  
1630 - 1800

The Judith Cornell Oration serves as an occasion of celebration for the achievements of Australian perioperative nurses and allows for future visions to be shared. The Judith Cornell Orators are distinguished perioperative nurses who throughout their careers, have made a significant contribution to advancing perioperative nursing in Australia.

The Oration is included in full and student registrations.

Guest Tickets @ A\$110 (\$10 GST)

### FRIDAY 21 MAY 2010

#### CONFERENCE DINNER AND EXCELLENCE IN PERIOPERATIVE NURSING AWARD - 'JEWELS OF THE WEST'

Perth Convention Exhibition Centre  
- Bellevue Ballroom  
1900 - late

This premier function provides an opportunity for all participants to join together in an informal social setting. The dinner will include a three-course meal, fine wines, music and entertainment and will be a memorable night for all.

The theme of the dinner is 'Jewels of the West.' We encourage you to come dressed for an evening of fun! During the dinner we will be presenting the Excellence in Perioperative Nursing Award.

Tickets @ \$110 (\$10 GST)

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