



DEPARTMENT OF ANAESTHESIA AND ACUTE PAIN MEDICINE

ST VINCENT'S HOSPITAL MELBOURNE



Friday 13 March, 2026

March Meeting and Workshops

QUALITY & SAFETY IN ANAESTHESIA - CHALLENGING YOUR STANDARDS



DATE

Friday 13 March 2026
Registration from 12:30pm



VENUE

Level M
Melbourne Connect
700 Swanston St, Carlton



REGISTRATION

Online registration at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/DEPVN>

Our March Meeting and Workshops will again be at Melbourne Connect, an innovation precinct located in the heart of Carlton, adjacent to the University of Melbourne's Parkville campus. We have put together an afternoon that will be both stimulating and productive in terms of meeting many of the specific requirements of the ANZCA CPD program.

The main lecture session includes a panel discussion with audience participation that meets the criteria for Practice Evaluation (Measuring Outcomes). Registrants will be provided with a series of questions about their own practice ahead of time, and this will form the basis of a panel discussion that will form the second half of this session.

Following afternoon tea, registrants will do an Emergency Response activity (CICO or cardiac arrest) and, for the first time at our event, an Indigenous Cultural Awareness session. The Cultural Awareness session is being delivered by Wurundjeri Cultural and Education Services, and has been designed specifically to be of interest to doctors practicing in Melbourne. In this way, many of your ANZCA CPD requirements can be met in a single afternoon.

In addition, we are excited to be partnering with the Gastricus team to offer an optional add-on boutique workshop on gastric ultrasound. This will take place at the same location from 08:00, making it an all-day meeting for those who participate. Further details about the content and structure of this workshop are available at www.gastricus.org. We expect this session to be extremely popular and places are limited to the first 20 who register.

During the meeting there will be a gourmet afternoon tea, and time to mingle with colleagues and visit the trade displays. There will be drinks and nibbles from 7pm.

Our Lecture Session Comprises:

Policies, procedures and the law – where do you stand if you chose a different path – Dr Jina Hanna

Aspiration and rapid sequence induction – Dr Ben Slater

Opioids – modified release and beyond: ANZCA Safety and Quality Committee controversies – Associate Professor Phillipa Hore

Central lines – Ultrasound is not enough – Professor David Scott



PROGRAM

12:30 – 13:15 – Registration

13:15 – 13:20 – Welcome and Meeting Information
Associate Professor Brian Cowie

13:20 – 15:30 – Session 1 - Lecture Session
Chair Dr Craig Ironfield

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15:30 – 16:00 – Afternoon Tea with trade

16:00 – 19:00 – Session 2–Workshops: CICO, Cardiac Arrest, Indigenous Cultural Awareness

19:00 – 20:00 – Drinks and finger food

EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKSHOPS

All registrants have the opportunity to participate in either a Cardiac Arrest or a CICO Airway Management Workshop. Both workshops are accredited to meet the ANZCA Emergency Response standard. Registrants can select their Emergency Response Workshop at the time of registration.

Both workshops will be held in conference rooms adjacent to the lecture session. The workshops will have different content to previous years, and have been designed to be of interest to those who have attended our workshops in the past.

SPEAKERS

Dr Jina Hanna is a Staff Specialist at St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne with interests in quality and safety in medicine and the intersection of law and ethics in medical practice. She is a member of the Australian and New Zealand Tripartite Anaesthetic Data Committee (ANZTADC) and is involved in incident analysis. She co-leads the department QA committee and has completed a Master of Health and Medical Law through the University of Melbourne.

Dr Ben Slater is a Senior Staff Anaesthetist and Medical Lead of the Acute Pain Service at St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne. He is Deputy Chair of the Victorian Perioperative Consultative Council (VPCC), and a member of the Anaesthetic Subcommittee of the VPCC.

Associate Professor Phillipa Hore is a Senior Staff Anaesthetist at St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne and past Chair of the ANZCA Safety and Quality Committee. Phillipa is the past Deputy Chair of the Victorian Perioperative Consultative Council and is faculty at the Department of Critical Care at the University of Melbourne.

Professor David Scott is a Senior Staff Anaesthetist at St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne and faculty at the Department of Critical Care at the University of Melbourne. David is the Director of Professional Affairs in Policy and Professional Documents with ANZCA, and past chair of the Victorian Perioperative Consultative Council.

REGISTRATION

ONLINE REGISTRATION –

<https://www.trybooking.com/DEVPN>

Closing date: 10 March 2026

Consultant Medical Registration fee: **\$539**

Trainee Medical Registration fee: **\$297**

Nursing Registration fee: **\$165**

Optional morning Gastricus workshop: **\$764.50**

All prices are inclusive of GST

ANZCA CPD Categories:

“Knowledge and Skills”

Lectures/Presentations **2 hours**

Workshops **1.5 hours**

“Practice Evaluation”

Cultural Safety **1 hour**

M&M Meeting **1 hour**