



Dear Delegate,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our 3rd Practice Nurse Clinical Education conference to be held in Sydney. Over the three years we have run this program we have seen the role of the practice nurse expand to cover more and more areas of general practice, and this year's conference program is a reflection of this change. Thank you to the APNA for providing a high quality program, offering clinical and practical up-skilling seminars as well as smaller practical breakout sessions. The focus for the PNCE is to assist you in up-skilling your clinical knowledge and to provide you with a valuable opportunity to network with your peers. I look forward to seeing you at this year's Sydney PNCE.

Simon Gillson Director Healthcare – Reed Medical Education



APNA WELCOME

It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Sydney 2008 Practice Nurse Clinical Education (PNCE) program. This is the third time the Australian Practice Nurses Association has been involved with PNCE and by designing a program specifically for Practice Nurses we aim to provide delegates with a wide variety of topics relevant to you and your General Practice. The program offers clinical, practical and professional sessions on the most contemporary practice nursing issues. The Australian Practice Nurses Association encourages you to attend this exciting and popular program and to take the opportunity to network with your colleagues from the nursing and primary health care industry. We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you in May at PNCE Sydney 2008.

Belinda Caldwell Executive Officer – Australian Practice Nurses Association



Practice Nurse Clinical Education Conference Program

SATURDAY 24th May		SUNDAY 25th May	
Session	Program	Session	Program
	REGISTRATION 8.00AM		REGISTRATION 8.00AM
6	8.45 – 9.45AM	11	8.45am – 9.45am
	S6D Mental Health First Aid		S11D Legal issues and professional indemnity
	N6A Diabetes Management		N11A Triage
	N6B Sterilisation for accreditation in GP		N11B Chronic Kidney Disease – what the practice nurse needs to know
	N6C Respiratory		N11C Suturing
	MORNING TEA 9.30 – 10.30AM		MORNING TEA 9.30 – 10.30AM
7	10.30 – 11.30AM	12	10.15 – 11.15am
	S7D Chronic Wounds – venous leg ulcers and the diabetic foot		S12D Understanding your scope of practice
	N7A Travel Health		N12A Cervical Screening and HPV update
	N7B Alliance of NSW – NiGP Program		N12B Men's reproductive health
	N7C Respiratory		N12C Strapping
8	12.00 – 1.00PM		LUNCH 12.00 – 2.00PM
	S8D Acute Wounds – tears, cuts, abrasions and minor burns	13	12.00 – 1.00pm
	N8A Undertaking an effective Mini-Mental		S13D Wound exudate and the role of dressings
	N8B Developing clinical policies and procedures		N13A IT Management – Medical Director, a how to for PN's
	N8C ECG		N13B Continence management
	LUNCH 12.00 – 2.00PM		N13C Strapping
9	1.45 – 2.45PM	14	1.45 – 2.45pm
	S9D Managing the patient with Hepatitis C		S14D Effective communication skills for practice nurses
	N9A Setting up a diabetes clinic		N14A Foot check and assessment
	N9B Streamlining accreditation – a demonstration of AccreditationPro		N14B The importance of a hearing test for the over 50s
	N9C ECG		N14C Casting
	AFTERNOON TEA 3.00 – 3.45PM		AFTERNOON TEA 2.45 – 3.30PM
10	3.30 – 4.30PM	15	3.15 – 4.15pm
	S10D Childhood immunisation update		S15D Understanding your role in managing disease outbreaks
	N10A Suspecting child abuse and mandatory child protection reporting		N15A Managing vomiting and diarrhoea in children
	N10B Sexual Health – Contraceptive Update		N15B APNA salary and conditions
	N10C Suturing		N15C Casting

■ PRACTICAL SESSIONS – 20 places max. per session. You may chose one practical session per day as part of your program

Session Synopses

SATURDAY SEMINARS

- S6D Mental Health First Aid**
Identification of acute mental health emergencies in general practice and how to assess and refer patients at risk.
- S7D Chronic Wounds – venous leg ulcers and the diabetic foot**
Management of chronic wounds including venous leg ulcers and diabetic foot ulcers.
ConvaTec
- S8D Acute Wounds – tears, cuts, abrasions and minor burns**
The management of the most common acute wounds presenting in General Practice.
ConvaTec
- S9D Managing the patient with Hepatitis C**
Hepatitis C testing, management and referral options will be discussed in this session using the DHS Hepatitis C quick reference chart.
- S10D Childhood immunisation update**
Update on immunisation issues, new vaccines and changes to the schedule or handbook.

SUNDAY SEMINARS

- S11D Legal issues and professional indemnity**
Professional indemnity and legal issues are an area of uncertainty for practice nurses. Nurses face a range of legal issues in general practice such as documentation, duty of care, consent and accepting medical orders. Understand the issues and plan your professional protection.
- S12D Understanding your scope of practice**
Do you understand your scope of practice? Understanding your scope of practice is critical in the current environment of the rapidly expanding role of the practice nurse. Learn about simple tools for determining your scope of practice.
- S13D Wound exudate and the role of dressings**
A summary of research evidence on the best way to manage wound exudate. *ConvaTec*
- S14D Effective communication skills for practice nurses**
Including effective communication skills for PNs, effective negotiation skills, effective presentation skills, and working as part of a team in general practice.
- S15D Understanding your role in managing disease outbreaks**
Focusing on pandemic influenza, this session will explore the role of general practice and practice nurses in pandemic preparedness.

WORKSHOPS

Diabetes Management
Preventing pre-diabetes, type 2 diabetes and other metabolic disorders. Understand the role of lifestyle advice, diet, assessment and medication in diabetes management. *Session 6* *Lilly Diabetes*

Sterilisation for accreditation in general practice
Learn or be updated on procedures for all aspects of the sterilisation process if instruments are sterilised on-site or for those instruments sterilised off-site, covering both their sterilisation and transport, and for validating or obtaining evidence of validation for all on and off-site aspects of sterilisation. *Session 6* *Visiomed*

Respiratory
Interactive session involving auscultation and respiratory assessment. This is a practical session on identifying normal and abnormal chest sounds. Includes the latest in techniques and equipment. *Session 6, 7*

Travel Health
Learn principles of pre-travel health care requirements. This session includes common infectious diseases encountered when travelling, such as mosquito and 'Bali Belly'. Learn the appropriate nursing measures that can be taken to prevent such illnesses. *Session 7*

Alliance of NSW – Nursing in General Practice Program
New and innovative Nursing In General Practice Programs initiatives by NSW Divisions of General Practice. *Session 7*

Undertaking an effective Mini-Mental
Understanding the Mini-Mental as a diagnostic tool. *Session 8*

Developing clinical policies and procedures
Practical workshop to provide skills in developing policies and procedures for clinical activities undertaken in the practice. *Session 8*

ECG
Interactive session recognising critical rhythms involving a rhythm simulator. *Session 8, 9*

Setting up a diabetes clinic
Learn practical tips on how to set up a diabetes clinic in your practice. *Session 9* *Lilly Diabetes*

Streamlining accreditation – a demonstration of AccreditationPro
AGPAL's accreditation process is now completely electronic from the practice self assessment to the survey visit. AccreditationPro has streamlined accreditation by reducing the turnaround time on reports, assisting users understand and interpret the relevant standards and has improved the consistency of assessment and data collection by surveyors. Come and see how AccreditationPro can enable practices to easily prepare for accreditation and streamline the quality improvement process. *Session 9*

Suspecting child abuse and mandatory child protection reporting
Are you, as a practice nurse, aware of your mandatory reporting requirements? What should happen when you suspect child abuse? Do you know how to assess risk? This is a 'must attend' workshop for practice nurses! *Session 10*

Sexual Health – contraceptive update
Learn about the latest in contraception. *Session 10*

Suturing
Introduction into suturing and removal of sutures outlining and demonstrating the current trends in wound closure. This is a practical session in setting up, assisting and performing suturing. *Session 10, 11* *Dynek*

Triage
The principles of effective triage. A team approach to the identification and management of prioritising the medical needs of patients. *Session 11*

Chronic Kidney Disease – what the practice nurse needs to know

Improve your knowledge of the population at increased risk of developing chronic kidney disease (CKD), and the importance of early detection. The role of the practice nurse in slowing the progression of CKD, including the impact of lifestyle modification and relevant item numbers. *Session 11*

Cervical screening and HPV update
Understanding Cervical Screening. Who do you need to screen, how often and overcoming the barriers. What is HPV and the implications of vaccination. *Session 12* *CSL Biotherapies*

Men's reproductive health
Overview of the basic knowledge and core skills in the detection and management of a range of common disorders in the area of male reproductive health. *Session 12*

Strapping
A hands on session and introduction into general strapping for managing a range of pre-existing and new injuries. *Session 12, 13*

IT Management – Medical Director, a how to for PN's
It is one thing to know what Medical Director is, and another to know how to use it! This session will provide technical tips on understanding the software, its uses, how to access it, and how to gain the maximum benefits from it. At last, an opportunity exists for nurses not only to know what 'Medical Director' stands for but also to know how to use it. *Session 13* *Health Communication Network*

Continence management
Identification and management of continence issues presenting in general practice, including a case study on products and how to choose what is best for your patient. *Session 13* *The Continence Foundation*

Foot check and assessment
A key aspect of best practice care for diabetes and related to other conditions. Checking feet and assessing for abnormalities is a key role for practice nurses. *Session 14*

The importance of a hearing test for the over 50s
One in six Australians is affected by a hearing loss. A routine check-up should include a hearing screen to determine a hearing loss. Identifying the symptoms of age related hearing loss and interpretation of the audiogram results. *Session 14* *HearingLife*

Casting
A hands on session and introduction to application of casting and types of material used. *Session 14, 15*

Managing Vomiting and Diarrhoea in Children
Assessing and preventing dehydration in children. *Session 15* *Hydralyte*

APNA Salary and conditions
The APNA conducts a national practice nurse salary and conditions survey each year. The session is an opportunity to learn about the current salaries and trends occurring in practice nursing. *Session 15* *APNA*

REGISTRATION FEES

	Member	Non-member
1 Day without lunch	\$200.20	\$223.30
1 Day with lunch	\$222.75	\$246.95
2 Day without lunch	\$359.70	\$399.30
2 Day with lunch	\$394.35	\$348.90

How to Register for PNCE

Please visit www.pnce.com.au/pnce/sydney and click on 'registration'.

Alternatively, please call **02 9422 2941** to register over the phone.

Online registration code: **WEB**