

**VPNG COUNTRY  
CONFERENCE 2024**

# **COLLABORATION FOR SUCCESS**

Strengthening Perioperative Care

## TRADE BROCHURE



**SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024**  
9AM - 5PM



**WANGARATTA PERFORMING  
ARTS & CONVENTION CENTRE**

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## PRESIDENT WELCOME

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Dear Healthcare Partner

The 2024 VPNG Country Conference program is shaping up well with plans to include a breadth of topics from mental wellbeing and self-care, de-escalation and managing behaviours of concern, massive transfusion protocol in a small regional facility, use of virtual reality for needle phobic patients, Mercy ships, professionalism in advanced nursing roles, responding to acute physiological deterioration in PACU and implementing ACORN perioperative audit tools and more!

The VPNG Country Conference will provide Healthcare Partners with the opportunity to make contact with perioperative nurses in the bustling rural city of Wangaratta and surrounding areas. A limited number of Trade Exhibition spaces are available for the Wangaratta Country Conference with the main exhibition able to accommodate approximately 30 single stands.

The Conference and Trade Exhibition is being held at The Wangaratta Performing Arts & Convention Centre, corner of Ford and Ovens Streets, Wangaratta on Saturday 23rd March 2024 with delegate registration from 0800hrs. Conference presentations commence at 0910hrs and close at 1615hrs. The Trade exhibition will be open to delegates on Saturday from 0800-0900hrs, as well as during morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

There are two workshops/masterclass sessions available after the lunch break from 1300-1430hrs for Platinum and Gold sponsors.

VPNG are offering Platinum, Gold and Silver sponsorship packages once again with all details included in the brochure. This is an opportunity for extra marketing exposure during the Conference. In addition, if companies would like to place brochures or advertising material in the digital Conference Program, a small charge will apply.

Please come and join VPNG in Wangaratta for a fun and enterprising weekend.



Karolin King  
VPNG President

## EXHIBITION DETAILS

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### EXHIBITION OPENING HOURS:

Set-up time: Friday 22nd March 2024 from 4.00-7.00 pm

Pack-up time: Saturday 23rd March 2024 from 3.30-5.00 pm

### EXHIBITION STAND DETAILS:

Cost per stand: \$500 (+ GST)

Two representatives per stand. Food and refreshments for two representatives on Saturday, including registration, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Stand tables will be dressed with a black table cloth.

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM DETAILS

0800 – 0855	<b>REGISTRATION, WELCOME TEA &amp; COFFEE</b>	
0900 – 0910	<b>Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country</b> Karolin King   President, VPNG	
0910 – 0945	<b>Saving patients, saving staff, saving time: Applying one quality system for both patient and staff safety in Operating Theatres</b> Dr Michael Sinnott   Co-Founder & Dr Chamindika Konara   Contributor, Education and Advocacy Programs, StaffandPatientSafety.org	
0945 - 1015	<b>Well-being and retention of perioperative nurses</b> Ada Xie   RN/CNS, Cabrini Health	
1015 – 1045	<b>MORNING TEA &amp; OPENING OF TRADE EXHIBITION</b>	
	<b>JUDITH BRIDGES SESSION</b>	
1045 – 1115	<b>'Once in a Career Emergency' in a Small Regional Facility</b> Jo Simes   Perianaesthesia CNS, West Gippsland Hospital & Sharyn Norris   Clinical Specialist, Public & Private Hospitals	
1115 – 1145	<b>Anaphylaxis – an update to risk reduction practices and management in 2024</b> Michelle Dehaini   Lecturer in Nursing, Swinburne Institute	
1145 – 1215	<b>Outcomes of a feasibility study exploring the use of virtual reality to alleviate patient fear of needles during medical treatment</b> Craig Gilbertson   ANUM & Masters by Research Candidate, Albury/Wodonga Health & LaTrobe University	
1215 – 1315	<b>LUNCH</b>	
	<b>HELEN BARALLON CONCURRENT SESSION 1 (CONFERENCE ROOM)</b>	<b>SR MARY FELIX CONCURRENT SESSION 2 (MAIN AUDITORIUM)</b>
1315 – 1345	Trade workshop   Platinum Sponsor	<b>Mercy Ships: The why, where, how, and what.</b> Amy Skiller   CNS & Anaesthetic Research Nurse, Eastern Health & Jenny Adamthwaite   ANUM, Dhelkaya Health
1345 – 1415	Trade workshop   Gold Sponsor	<b>Shivering sucks</b> Karen Neaton   RN, Queensland Health & Tracey Kielying   RN, SA Health
1415 – 1445	Trade workshop   TBA	<b>How nurses recognise and respond to acute physiological deterioration in patients in the Post Anaesthetic Care Unit: A descriptive-exploratory study</b> Luke Bendle   Academic in Nursing
1440 – 1515	<b>AFTERNOON TEA &amp; TRADE EXHIBITION</b>	
	<b>MARY BARRY SESSION</b>	
1515 – 1545	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards</b> Karolin King   President, VPNG & Education Subcommittee Rep	
1545 – 1615	<b>How to Maintain Professionalism and Standards in Advanced Nursing Roles</b> Prudence Simpson   Perioperative RN/PNSA, The Bays Hospital & Francene Kavanagh   Perioperative RN/NP, Plastic Surgery Victoria & Ramsay Health	
1615 – 1645	<b>Back to Basics: Strategies to Improve Perioperative Practices</b> Rebecca Donald & Anna Hinz   Monash Health	
1645 – 1700	<b>Close of day</b> Karolin King   President, VPNG	

Draft program only - subject to change.

## APPLICATION TO EXHIBIT

**PLEASE PRINT CAREFULLY**

Title (circle one):     Dr     Mr     Mrs     Ms     Miss

Name: .....

Company: .....

Address: .....

Suburb: ..... State: ..... P/Code: .....

Telephone: ..... Fax: .....

Email: .....

Contact Person: ..... Position: .....

Number of company representatives attending: .....

Please identify any special dietary needs eg. Diabetic, vegetarian, gluten free: .....

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Will you be providing your own display stand?      Yes      No

Do you require the provided trestle table and table cloth?      Yes      No

Please detail any company the you DO NOT want to be positioned next to in the trade display

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Do you require access to powerpoint?      Yes      No

**Cancellation Policy:** In the event that any applicant to exhibit cancels, for whatsoever reason, the Application to Exhibit, it is understood and agreed that any monies paid for exhibition booths will not be refundable on any cancellation received after Thursday 29th February 2024. Excepting Force Majeure (see Sponsorship and Exhibition Agreement 2.4).

**Attendance:** I/We understand that all attendees and exhibitor staff must be registered to participate in any aspect of the VPNG Country Conference 2024.

I/We have read and understand the Terms and Conditions attached herein and I/We agree to be bound by the said Terms and Conditions.

Signed ..... Date .....

*(For and on behalf of the exhibitor)*

**Please forward completed application form to VPNG:**

Fax: 1300 721 170

Email: [enquiries@vpng.org.au](mailto:enquiries@vpng.org.au)

Postal: VPNG Country Conference, PO Box 106, East Melbourne VIC 8002

*Payment in full is required to secure each stand by Friday 8th March 2024. If payment is not received the booking may be cancelled and given to next available company on the waiting list.*

## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

	AMOUNT	TOTAL
<b>PLATINUM: A DOUBLE STAND +</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for 4 representatives</li> <li>Sponsorship of one conference session</li> <li>Recognition in the conference program</li> <li>1x A4 page advertisement in Snippets newsletter</li> <li>1x Workshop at Conference</li> </ul>	<b>\$2000 +GST</b>	<b>\$ 2200</b>
<b>GOLD: A DOUBLE STAND +</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for 4 representatives</li> <li>Sponsorship of one conference session</li> <li>Recognition in the conference program</li> <li>1 x Workshop at Conference</li> </ul>	<b>\$1000.00 +GST</b>	<b>\$ 1100</b>
<b>SILVER: A SINGLE STAND +</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for 2 representatives</li> <li>Sponsorship of one conference session</li> <li>Recognition in the conference program</li> </ul>	<b>\$750.00 +GST</b>	<b>\$ 825</b>
<b>A SINGLE STAND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for 2 representatives</li> </ul>	<b>\$500.00 +GST</b>	<b>\$ 550</b>
<b>COFFEE VOUCHERS</b> May be purchased to give out to delegates from your stand to enable them to enjoy complimentary barista coffee from café. (Non refundable)	(x20) \$100 +GST (x50) \$250 +GST (x100) \$500 +GST	\$ 110 \$ 275 \$ 550
<b>WORKSHOP</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To be conducted 1415-1445</li> </ul>	<b>\$150.00 +GST</b>	<b>\$ 165</b>
<b>CONFERENCE PROGRAM DIGITAL BROCHURE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1x A4 page</li> </ul>	<b>\$100.00 +GST</b>	<b>\$ 110</b>
<b>TOTAL PAYABLE: \$</b>		

## PAYMENTS

1. **Electronic Transfer:** Identify name in payment. Bank: Bendigo Bank | BSB: 633 000 | Account No: 204 097 091

2. **Credit card:** Visa  MasterCard

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_      Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Name of card holder: ..... Amount to be authorised: \$ .....

Signature: ..... Date: .....

A tax invoice will be supplied upon Registration for the Conference.

### REGISTRATION DETAILS

Complete the Registration Form and forward with payment to: VPNG Country Conference, PO Box 106, East Melbourne, VIC, 8002 **or** email with credit card details to [enquiries@vpng.org.au](mailto:enquiries@vpng.org.au).

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## WANGARATTA TOURISM & ACCOMMODATION



Wangaratta makes a fantastic choice for your stay in High Country Victoria. Sitting on the junction of the Ovens and King Rivers, it offers plenty to see and do within walking distance.

The city offers diverse shops, contemporary cafes, bars, galleries, an arts precinct, parks and gardens, as well as beautiful churches and historic buildings – each marking a piece of its rural history.

Wangaratta offers the chance to experience world-class, award-winning wines from nearby regions such as King Valley, Glenrowan, Milawa Gourmet Region and Beechworth. Regional produce is celebrated both within our modern restaurants and throughout farm gates nestled around the region.

The town itself is a fantastic base for yourself, friends or family, with weeks' worth of activities on your doorstep.

Wangaratta is a rural city located just two and a half hours north of Melbourne along the Hume Freeway. The vibrant CBD has daily rail services between Melbourne and Sydney stopping at the Wangaratta station.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

[visitwangaratta.com.au](https://visitwangaratta.com.au)

[visitwangaratta.com.au/Stay](https://visitwangaratta.com.au/Stay)

## ALL CONFERENCE ENQUIRIES

Contact VPNG via **1300 721 169**  
or email [enquiries@vpng.org.au](mailto:enquiries@vpng.org.au)

Office hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00am - 5:00pm

## SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITION AGREEMENT

### 1.1 Delivery and collection

Client deliveries must be arranged in advance with your Event Coordinator and marked with the contact name, event title and date. Goods may only be received and dispatched from the loading dock no earlier than two (2) days prior to the event.

All contractors entering the property must register with security and obtain a contractor's pass.

All goods must be collected within (2) working days after the event, unless prior arrangements have been made with the venue.

### 1.2 Storage

Material for packaging, crates and boxes should be removed from stands during exhibition open hours. No fire exits may be blocked.

### 1.3 No Responsibility

The venue will not accept any responsibility for damage or loss of equipment or goods left on the venue prior to, during, or after the event.

### 1.4 Exhibition and Set Up

Stand construction - any materials used for stand construction, display purposes or theming should conform to the following standards:

- Non-combustible material
- Self-extinguishing plastic material
- Inherently non-flammable material
- Flame proof fabric
- Plywood, hardwood, pulpboard or fibreboard rendered 'flame resistant' by an acceptable process of impregnation.

### 1.5 Signage

You may not screw, nail, staple or glue any signage to any part of the building, fittings or fixtures.

You may erect stand-alone signage in the part of the venue dedicated to the event provided this does not cause damage to any part of the building, fittings or fixtures.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

### 2.1 Injury and Other Damage to Persons and Property

You are responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused by any person acting under your direction, order or control in connection with the event, save to the extent such loss, damage or injury is caused or contributed to by WPACC.

You must report any damage caused to the venue property as soon as possible.

### 2.2 Force Majeure

If either party is unable wholly or in part to carry out any of its obligations under this agreement due to accident, government restrictions, act of God, war, fire, shortage of suitable materials or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of that party ("Force Majeure Events"), the prevented party must give notice of such an occurrence to the other party and, to the extent of the inability, the prevented party will be excused from its obligations under this agreement without any liability.