



Wednesday 4 September 2024

11am – 5pm	Registration open
11.45 – 1.00pm	Careers Expo and Lunch
1.00pm	Welcome to Country (tbc) Welcoming address, ACNN President Amy Curran Welcoming address, ACNN Conference Chair Melissah Burnett
Plenary session 1 - 'The state of play'	
1.30 – 3.00pm	National Nursing Workforce Strategy (working title) – Karrie Long The ACNN Neonatal Nursing Workforce Workshop Outcomes - A/Professor Margaret Broom and Trish Lowe <i>Synopsis: In March 2024, the ACNN Leadership and Research Special Interest Groups co-convened a neonatal nursing workforce workshop to explore the challenges faced by the neonatal healthcare workforce and construct a list of recommendations and strategies to share among the neonatal nursing community and other stakeholders to address them. We emerged with many recommendations regarding neonatal nurse recruitment, transition to specialty practice, workforce planning, staffing and skill mix, education, and professional development. A summarised version of these discussion findings will be presented, along with how these results will be shared with the neonatal nursing community and other stakeholders.</i> Healthcare worker attitudes to climate change and health (WATCH) study – Dr Michael Loftus
3.00 - 3.50pm	Afternoon Tea – Careers Expo and Exhibitors
Plenary session 2 – 'The long game'	
3.50 – 5.20pm	Changes in approach to care and outcomes of the most immature neonates, born at 22 weeks' gestation – A/Professor Rosemarie Boland 'Going the Distance' - Matt Levy, retired Para-Olympian
5.30 – 7.30pm	Welcome Reception at the Australian Sports Museum, MCG



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CAREERS EXPO

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Breakfast Sessions on Thursday 5 September 2024

Breakfast is between 6.30 and 7am in the Foyer area for delegates registered for a breakfast session. Sessions commence at 7 am sharp and conclude at 8.15 am

Session 1: 7 – 8.15am

General Movement Assessments (working title)

Presenters: *Professor Alicia Spittle and Dr Joy Olson*

Session 2: 7 – 8.15am

To be advised

NEONATAL NURSING CONFERENCE GAME ON

4 - 6 SEPT 2024 | MCG, MELBOURNE



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TOURING IDEAS

Thursday 5 September 2024

6.20 am – 5.30 pm	Registration open
Plenary session 3 – ‘The balls in your court’	
8.30 – 10.00am	<p>Learning to lead: An Essential Skillset in Nursing Education and Practice – Professor Linda Johnston</p> <p>‘What’s Next?’ – Dr Joanne Scott</p> <p><i>Synopsis: A nursing career is a life journey. Regardless of what inspired you to embark on this journey, it is the decisions you make along the way that determine the direction you will take. Nursing is a dynamic profession; it is constantly evolving, thus allowing new opportunities for professional growth and development. It is up to us as individuals to map out our own career pathways. The professional pathway I chose was that of a Nurse Practitioner. Through sharing my journey, I hope to encourage you to reflect on your own careers, and inspire you to consider “What’s Next?”</i></p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
10.00 to 10.30am	Morning tea, Trade Exhibit and Posters
Concurrent 1: ‘Leading from the front’ – hosted by the Leadership SIG	
10.30am – 12.30 pm	<p>‘Every contest matters. Why a deeper understanding of our experience of work really matters to our wellbeing’ Karen Olver, Organisational Wellbeing Consultant</p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
Concurrent 2: ‘Don’t drop the ball’ – hosted by the Research SIG	
10.30am – 12.30pm	<p>‘Navigating the Boundaries of Trust – Protecting your Players’ – Bianca Devsam</p> <p><i>Bianca’s presentation will discuss the strategies used to build trust between neonatal nurse researchers and parents when using waived and delayed consent pathways in neonatal research.</i></p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
12.30 to 1.30pm	Lunch, Trade Exhibit and Posters
Concurrent 3: ‘Run interference’ – hosted by the Neonatal Nurse Practitioner SIG	
1.30 – 3.00pm	<p>Pharmacological Management of Neonatal Seizures - Simone Huntington</p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
Concurrent 4: ‘Changing the game’ – hosted by the Nutrition and Feeding SIG	
1.30 – 3.00pm	<p>How can ABA provide support for nursing staff working in neonatal environments – Dr Jen Hocking</p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
3.00 to 3.30pm	Afternoon tea, Trade Exhibit and Posters
Plenary session 4 – ‘A hat trick’	
3.30 – 5.00pm	<p>High-frequency oscillation ventilation (working title) – Professor David Tingay</p> <p>Supraglottic Airways: The Future of Surfactant Administration? Dr Calum Roberts</p> <p><i>Synopsis: Traditional methods of surfactant administration are dependent upon laryngoscopy, but many infants with respiratory distress syndrome are cared for by clinicians who do not have opportunities to maintain and develop skills in this procedure. Supraglottic airways may represent an easier, more generalisable method of surfactant administration for clinicians, which may also be more</i></p>

	<i>comfortable for infants. In this presentation, I will summarise the current evidence for supraglottic airway surfactant administration, and describe the research that our team are currently leading in this area, including the international 'SURFSUP Trial'.</i> Clinical research pathways (working title) – <i>Dr Jennifer Dawson</i>
5.00pm	Close
Free evening	

Breakfast Sessions on Friday 6 September 2024

Breakfast is between 6.30 and 7am in the Foyer area for delegates registered for a breakfast session. Sessions commence at 7 am sharp and conclude at 8.15 am

Session 3: 7 – 8.15 am

Barriers and Facilitators in the Implementation of Developmentally Supportive Care Practices in Healthcare Settings in Ghana

Presenter: *Professor Linda Johnston*

Low Resource Countries Special Interest Group Annual General Meeting

Session 4: 7 – 8.15 am

To be advised



Friday 6 September 2024

6.20am – 5.15pm	Registration open
Plenary session 5	
8.30 – 10.30am	<p>Replanting the Birthing Trees: Transforming cycles of intergenerational trauma to cycles of nurturing and recovery Professor Cath Chamberlain</p> <p><i>Synopsis: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have adapted, thrived and survived for at least 2000 generations, but since colonisation, have been impacted by intergenerational cycles of trauma. This presentation will highlight the important life course opportunities for healing the past by nurturing the future in the first 2000 days. Key findings from four years of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led co-designed strategies to improve perinatal awareness, recognition, assessment and support for parents experiencing complex trauma will be outlined. We will share our approach for recreating safe and sacred spaces in our innovative model, Replanting the Birthing Trees, grounded in Indigenous knowledges and worldviews and governed by community-controlled peak bodies. This project supports families to transform cycles of intergenerational trauma and harm to intergenerational cycles of nurturing and recovery so that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families can, once again, live health happy lives in this abundant land we now share.</i></p> <p>ACNN Annual General Meeting and Presentation of Awards</p>
10.30 to 11.00am	Morning tea, Trade Exhibit and Posters
Concurrent 5: 'Call the shots' – hosted by the Neo-Skin SIG	
11.00am – 12.30 pm	<p>Stoma care (working title) - Hayley Nugara and Amy Bodley</p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
Concurrent 6: 'A slam-dunk' – hosted by the Education SIG	
11.00am – 12.30 pm	<p>Invited speaker – Dr Marta ThioLluch</p> <p>Free abstracts</p>
12.30 - 1.20pm	Lunch, Trade Exhibit and Posters
Plenary session 6: 'A level playing field' - hosted by the Neurodevelopmental Care SIG	
Facilitator – Natalie Duffy	
1.20 – 3.20 pm	<p>Infant mental health (working title) – A/Professor Campbell Paul and Megan Chapman</p> <p>Reading from the same play book: Infant and family centered developmental care models used in Australian neonatal units</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newborn Individualised Developmental Care Assessment Program (NIDCAP)/ Family and Infant Neurodevelopmental Education (FINE) Nadine Griffiths Newborn Behavioural Observations (NBO) Erin Church Family Integrated Care (FiCare) Joanne Bell Circle of Care Optimising Outcomes for Newborns (COCOON) Arnie Krishnan
3.20 to 3.40pm	Afternoon tea and Trade Exhibit
Plenary session 7: 'A whole new ball game'	
3.40 – 5.10pm	<p>Title to be advised - Professor Denise Harrison</p> <p>'Care beyond the cot side' (working title) - A/Professor Rosemarie Boland</p> <p>Title to be advised – Dr Brian Dunn</p>
5.15 pm	Presenters Awards and Close