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**Enthralling trainings with patient care: gut feelings, rating scales or tick boxes**

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**Apoeeons, anaesthesiology and anesthesiology in children**

**Tuesday May 8, 1.30-3pm**

**Presenters:** Professor Karen Watts, Dr Megan Hobson and Dr David Kitchens, Children’s Hospital at Westmead, Sydney, Children’s Hospital at Westmead and Children’s Hospital at Concord.

This session aims to answer the pertinent questions for obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) anaesthesia: What does obstructive sleep apnoea, airways and anaesthesia in children. The focus will be on the future of surgery and how the field will transform in the future. The audience will be encouraged to ask questions and engage in interactive discussions.

**Basic sciences**

**Tuesday May 8, 1.30-3pm**

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**New frontiers in robotic surgery**

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**Surgery**

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**Obstetric masterclass and regional anaesthesia**

**Tuesday May 8, 1.30-3pm**

**Presenters:** Dr Ariadne Varley, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, Dr Scott Leslie, Institute of Academic Surgery, Sydney, Srini Ravindran, Robotic Surgeon, Sydney University, Dr Matthew Tal, Macquarie University Hospital, Sydney, Dr Damien Tall, Macquarie University Hospital, Sydney, Dr Matthew Weller, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney.

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**Practical non-invasive intra-operative cardiac output monitoring**

**Thursday May 10, 2-3.30pm**

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This session examines the complexities and the evidence-based information about various techniques will be available to download in advance of the session. The audience are encouraged to offer questions and opinions, and evidence-based information about various techniques will be available to download in advance of the session. The audience are encouraged to offer questions and opinions, and evidence-based information about various techniques will be available to download in advance of the session.

**The cerebral aneurysm cases**

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The session examines the cerebral aneurysm cases. A panel of experienced clinicians from various expert panels will focus on the future of surgery and how the field will transform in the future. The audience will be encouraged to ask questions and engage in interactive discussions.

**The team approach to the burn injured – multidisciplinary case presentations**

**Thursday May 10, 2-3.30pm**

**Presenters:** Professor Gene Lee, Royal North Shore Hospital and St Vincent’s Hospital Sydney, Professor Monty Myhill, Smiths Medical, Medical Director of Anaesthesia and Critical Care, Johannesburg, Dr Charlotte Johnstone, Anaesthetist and Pain Medicine Specialist, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, NSW, Dr Michael Paleologos, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney.

This is a relaxed and interactive session for surgeons and anaesthetists to assist in designing an analgesia pathway for patients having major abdominal surgery. The session will commence with two short presentations from two surgeons followed by case based discussions from both surgical and anaesthetic perspectives on challenging patients with burns. The panel will cover all aspects of the patient journey, from initial assessment, resuscitation, emergency management, infection control, wound management and early burn injury debridement, scar and pain management and microsurgical reconstruction.

**How to stay up-to-date in the age of social media**

**Friday May 11, 9-10am**

**Presenters:** Dr Ben-Ragose, Royal North Shore Hospital, Sydney, Dr Michael Paleologos, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, Facilitator: Dr Ryan Downey, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney.

We’ve come a long way from reading to barely a physical copy of a journal to reading the latest research. But finding time to keep up-to-date with using social media is a current challenge. A guide to the benefits and pitfalls of using social media will be provided, along with some useful resources to help you keep up-to-date in social media!

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