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# Annual Scientific Meeting 2019

Melbourne

STOP. START. CONTINUE.



13 October – 16 October 2019 Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

## Registration & Program



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# This year we celebrate all things Melbourne.

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# Welcome and Program Highlights

It is with great pride that we invite you to join us in Melbourne for the RANZCOG 2019 Annual Scientific Meeting (RANZCOG 2019 ASM), from 13–16 October 2019.

The meeting will be held in the recently opened expansion wing of the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre and we will be celebrating all things Melbourne! We promise great coffee, a vibrant culture, fabulous food and a stimulating program that will inspire.

This year's theme, **Stop. Start. Continue.** provides an opportunity to pause and reflect on practices that we should consider abandoning based on evidence that suggests they are either ineffective or not cost effective. We will explore the evidence to consider starting new therapies and provide important updates on the ways in which our specialty should continue to evolve.

For families, there is plenty to do in Melbourne. October sees the start of the Spring Racing Carnival and plenty of opportunities to get outdoors and around town. We will once again have a crèche onsite, so families will be able to bring children without missing out on the opportunities for networking and professional development.

Our ASM Dinner promises to be an event not to be missed, with plenty of entertainment and fabulous food.

So STOP delaying, START clearing your diary for the RANZCOG ASM on 13–16 October and we will CONTINUE to ensure that the RANZCOG ASM delivers all your educational and networking needs.

We look forward to welcoming you as we celebrate all things Melbourne at the 2019 RANZCOG ASM!



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Co-Chair, Organising Committee



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# Call for Abstracts

Abstracts are invited for Free Communication (Oral) and Poster presentations for the **Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists 2019 Annual Scientific Meeting (RANZCOG 2019 ASM)** being held in Melbourne, Victoria, from Sunday 13 to Wednesday 16 October 2019. Abstracts are welcome on any of the areas of interest listed below; papers must not have been published elsewhere.

The deadline for abstract submission is **5pm Thursday 16 May 2019**.

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Organising Committee and will be selected using criteria such as:

- Clarity and appropriateness of the design and methods
- Relevance and appropriateness of the results and analysis
- Originality and relevance of the discussion
- Overall quality of the abstract
- Presentation of new research findings
- Papers that challenge current thinking in obstetrics and gynaecology

All papers should be presented by the person named in the program, except in the case of illness or other extenuating circumstances (as approved by the Organising Committee).

Only one author per abstract can be nominated as the 'presenting author'. Please note that all accepted presenters (Free Communication and Poster presentations) must register for the meeting and pay the appropriate registration fee by the early bird deadline **Thursday 8 August 2019**. It will be assumed any presenter not registered by this date has withdrawn their abstract from the program.

**Abstracts may be submitted in the following areas of interest:**

- General Gynaecology
- General Obstetrics
- Gynaecological Oncology
- Maternal-Fetal Medicine
- Obstetrical and Gynaecological Ultrasound
- Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
- Urogynaecology
- Other

The theme for the 2019 Annual Scientific Meeting is **Stop. Start. Continue.** In line with this theme, the Organising Committee would like all abstract authors to reflect on, from their own area of expertise, what O&G clinicians should stop, start and continue doing in order to deliver the best outcomes. You will therefore be required to select which category your abstract best fits into from the options of, stop, start, or continue, as part of the submission process.







## Presentation Type

If you wish for your abstract to be considered for Free Communication Oral presentation only.

### Poster

If you wish for your abstract to be considered for a Poster presentation only.

### Free Communication Or Poster

If you wish for your abstract to be considered firstly for Free Communication Oral presentation and secondly for Poster presentation (if abstract not accepted for Free Communication Oral presentation).

### Free Communication Oral Presentation Format

Free Communications will be allocated 12 minutes: 10 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion. Abstracts not selected for Free Communication may be eligible for Poster presentation. Please note that following acceptance of an abstract for Free Communication Oral presentation, the abstract must not be presented to any other scientific body before the RANZCOG 2019 ASM.

## Poster Presentations Format

The top 20 Poster presentations will be prominently displayed in the meeting venue; all other posters will be in electronic format available for viewing by delegates via the Meeting App and online abstract platform. Detailed instruction regarding the format and display of posters will be included within acceptance notifications sent to nominated presenting authors.

## Key Dates

**Monday 28 January 2019**

Abstract Submission Opens

**Friday 8 March 2019**

ASM Registrations Opens

**Thursday 16 May 2019**

Deadline for receipt of abstracts

**Friday 12 July 2019**

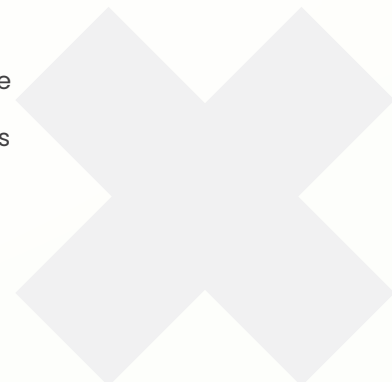
Authors notified whether abstracts have been accepted

**Thursday 8 August 2019**

Early bird registration closes

**Thursday 8 August 2019**

Deadline for presenting authors to register



## Awards and Prizes

The presentations will be judged onsite during the ASM. Prizes will be awarded for the following:

### **Aldo Vacca Award – Best Free Communication**

During the meeting, a prize will be awarded to the Best Free Communication presented. The Aldo Vacca Award has been established in honour of the exceptional contribution that Aldo Vacca made to both the College and to the health of women and their babies around the world.

### **Best Static Poster Award**

A prize will be awarded to the best static poster displayed in the Exhibition Hall.

### **RANZCOG Early Career Researcher Award**

A prize will be awarded to the Best Free Communication presented by an Early Career Researcher.

To be eligible, the presenting author must be a FRANZCOG trainee or a RANZCOG Fellow five years or less post-Fellowship at the date of the meeting.

### **RANZCOG Early Career Researcher Award**

A prize will be awarded to the Best Free Communication presented by a Diplomat Researcher.

To be eligible, the presenting author must be a RANZCOG Diplomat trainee or a DRANZCOG/DRANZCOG Advanced holder.

## Preparation Guidelines

**1. Length:** The maximum of the main body of the abstract should be 250 words (i.e. excluding title, authors and institutions).

**2. Title:** The abstract title should reflect the main content and nature of the abstract while remaining as brief as possible; do not use abbreviations within the title.

**3. Structure:** Abstracts must be structured using the following format; any abstracts not following the correct structure may not be accepted.

a. Structure of abstract for original research / systematic reviews

- i. Introduction
- ii. Methods
- iii. Results
- iv. Discussion

b. Structure of abstract for case studies

- i. Background
- ii. Case
- iii. Discussion

### **4. Spelling and Grammar:**

All abstracts should be written in English and thoroughly checked for spelling and grammar before submission. Use standard abbreviations only; place any unusual abbreviations in brackets after the word appears for the first time within the body of the abstract, abbreviations may be used thereafter.

### **5. Layout and Format:**

a. Each abstract must be prepared in Microsoft Word. No other formats will be accepted.

b. The title of the abstract should be written in sentence case, i.e. initial capital letter, followed by lower case.

c. List details of the author/s name/s (surname followed by initial of first name with a comma separating each author). Name of the presenting author must be underlined.

d. List author/s affiliation/s (organisation, city, state if applicable, country) separated by commas. Author/s and affiliation/s to be linked by a superscript letter.

e. Please note that double spacing should separate the title, author/s name/s, affiliation/s and body of the text.

f. Please refrain from using printed enhancements such as italics, underlining, bold text etc. Italics may be used for non-English words or scientific names where necessary.

g. Figures, tables, charts and graphs are not permitted.

h. Please ensure results are detailed within the abstract (abstracts must not state 'results will be presented at the meeting') and appropriate statistical tests have been used and reported.

i. Sources of funding should be indicated at the bottom of the abstract, as applicable.

j. Use generic names of drugs, where applicable.

k. References should be avoided or, if essential, should be kept to a minimum and presented in Vancouver (numbered) style. Note that all references will be included in the maximum abstract length (250 word total).

l. Please note abstracts may be reformatted and edited for publication in the program handbook.

## Submission Guidelines

All abstracts must be submitted electronically via the online submission facility (Abstract Submission Portal) accessible on the meeting website: [ranzcog.eventsair.com/PresentationPortal/ranzcog-2019-asm-melbourne/abstract-submission-portal](http://ranzcog.eventsair.com/PresentationPortal/ranzcog-2019-asm-melbourne/abstract-submission-portal)

- Authors wishing to submit more than one abstract may do so by clicking 'New Abstract' in the Presenter Portal (please avoid submission of several abstracts generated from the same study).
- Only one author per abstract can be nominated the 'presenting author'.
- All submissions must be accompanied by a maximum 80-word biographical paragraph of the presenting author. Biographical details will be used by the session Chair for introduction purposes and may also be published in meeting literature.
- Submission of abstracts implies the author's agreement to publish the abstract in the meeting program handbook and other meeting literature as applicable.
- Abstracts accepted for Free Communication and Poster presentations may be provided upon request to media outlets promoting a specific presentation. Please note that submission of abstracts implies the author's consent.

## General Guidelines

Please note that all accepted presenters (Free Communications and Poster presentations) must register for the meeting and pay the appropriate registration fee by the early bird deadline, **Thursday 8 August 2019**.

Please ensure the following required information is available before beginning the online abstract submission process:

- Your contact details.
- The title of your abstract.
- Preferred presentation type (Free Communication or Poster Presentation).
- Name and organisation of your co-author/s, if applicable.
- Your (the presenting author's) brief biography (maximum 80 words). Biographies are to be written in full sentences (not dot points) and in third person.
- Your abstract prepared in the format specified under Abstract Preparation Guidelines. Failure to meet the specified deadlines or guidelines may result in exclusion from the program.

Submission of your abstract/s implies you have read, understood and comply with the *Presenter Terms and Conditions*. These are available to view within the Abstract Submission Portal (online submission facility) at the time of submitting your abstract.

## Double Check Your Submission

Once your submission is uploaded correctly, you will receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive this email, your abstract has not been uploaded correctly. The abstract will be found under the 'Edit Abstract' tab and you will need to submit it correctly.

If you have any concerns, please contact the meeting Secretariat by email to [asm@ranzcog.edu.au](mailto:asm@ranzcog.edu.au) or by phone on +61 3 9412 2930.

## Acceptance Notification

Acceptance or otherwise is at the discretion of the Organising Committee. Notification will be sent to the presenting author by Friday 12 July 2019. Full instructions for accepted presenters will be forwarded on acceptance of the abstract.

## Publication in ANZJOG

Abstracts accepted for Free Communication Oral, Poster and e-Poster presentations may be put forward for publication in ANZJOG (Supplement) following the conclusion of the RANZCOG 2019 ASM; consent or otherwise should be indicated for each submitted abstract during the abstract submission process.

## Further Information

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### ABSTRACT SAMPLE

Obstetric Solutions

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Main body of abstract text: typed in English, not exceeding 250 words, under relevant structure headings

Introduction: insert text

Methods: insert text

Results: insert text

Discussion: insert text

# Keynote Speakers



## Prof Basky Thilaganathan

Prof Basky Thilaganathan was appointed Director of Fetal Medicine at St George's Hospital in 1999. His research interests focus on maternal-fetal medicine, with a particular interest in placental dysfunction and preeclampsia. He has authored two undergraduate and five postgraduate textbooks in obstetrics and fetal medicine and over 250 peer-reviewed publications in indexed journals.

Prof Thilaganathan is the lead trainer for the maternal-fetal medicine subspecialty training program at St George's Hospital and was Editor-in Chief of *Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynaecology*, the medical journal affiliated to ISUOG, from 2010 to 2018.



## Dr Ranee Thakar

Ranee Thakar is a subspecialist in urogynaecology and consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist at Croydon University Hospital as well as an honorary senior lecturer at St George's University of London. She completed her basic medical training in India prior to moving to the UK, where she obtained her MRCOG degree in 1994.

Dr Thakar is a consultant in a busy tertiary referral urogynaecology department at Croydon University Hospital, with a large clinical workload, dealing with complex urogynaecological problems, teaching medical students, training junior doctors and undertaking clinical research. Dr Thakar is currently the clinical lead on a joint Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologist (RCOG) and Royal College of Midwifery (RCM) national project funded by the Health Foundation with a view to minimising the rising rates of obstetric anal sphincter injuries.



## A/Prof Sawsan As-Sanie

A/Prof Sawsan (Suzie) As-Sanie received her medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and then completed her clinical training in obstetrics and gynecology at Case Western Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio. Currently an A/Prof in the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at The University of Michigan, she is the Director of the Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery Program and Fellowship, and Director of the Endometriosis and Chronic Pelvic Pain Center at the University of Michigan.

A/Prof As-Sanie is an NIH-funded clinician scientist whose research interests are aimed at defining the underlying mechanisms involved in the initiation and maintenance of chronic pelvic pain and post-surgical pain, with a focus on endometriosis-associated pelvic pain.



## Prof William Grobman

After receiving his BA from Amherst College and his MD from Harvard Medical School, Dr Grobman undertook training in obstetrics and gynecology as well as maternal-fetal medicine at Northwestern University. He is presently the Arthur Hale Curtis Prof in the Departments of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Preventive Medicine, and the Center for Healthcare Studies and the Vice-Chair of the department of obstetrics and gynecology. His research focus has been on the prediction and prevention of adverse obstetric outcome, he has been the PI on multiple NIH and foundation grants, and has authored over 300 peer-reviewed publications.



# Memorial and Oration Speakers



## Ella Macknight Memorial Lecture

### A/Prof Ryan Hodges

A/Prof Ryan Hodges is an obstetrician and gynaecologist by training and a Maternal-Fetal Medicine (MFM) Subspecialist. He completed a PhD at Monash University, under the supervision of Prof Euan Wallace. His PhD explored the utility of amnion cells as a regenerative therapy for preterm lung disease. With support from a NHMRC Hamilton Fairley Fellowship, A/Prof Hodges worked as a postdoctoral research and clinical MFM Fellow with Prof Jan Deprest in Leuven, Belgium, and then undertook additional MFM training through the University of Toronto at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Upon returning to Australia as Head of Perinatal Services at Monash Health and a member of the Victorian Fetal Therapy Service, A/Prof Hodges established a translational research group at the Ritchie Centre in fetal therapy. This research has been supported by, among others, the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation.

Most recently, A/Prof Hodges was appointed Program Director of the Women's and Newborn Program and Director of Obstetric Services at Monash Health. A/Prof Hodges is responsible for leading the clinical care and governance of 10,000 mothers and babies born at Monash Health every year.

A/Prof Hodges is also an Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor within the department of obstetrics and gynaecology at Monash University and has recently graduated from Harvard University in healthcare leadership and innovation.



## Arthur Wilson Memorial Oration

### A/Prof John McBain

A/Prof John McBain is a Glasgow University Medical Graduate who came to Australia in 1976, just as IVF was beginning to be offered clinically.

He developed the regimes for safe multiple follicle recruitment for IVF using human pituitary gonadotrophin and clomiphene citrate.

In his over 40-year career he led the Australian IVF community to transfer fewer embryos. He led the team that was the first in the world to measure the full embryonic karyotype from a single cell.

He successfully sued the Victorian Government in 2000 for unmarried and unpartnered women to have access to assisted reproductive technology, and was in turn sued by the Australian Catholic Bishops Council in the High Court in 2002.

His whole career has been at the Royal Women's Hospital and he retired as Head of Reproductive Medicine at the end of 2018.



# Breakfast Masterclasses



Start the day right with an informative and energising Breakfast Session. Running from 7.15am – 8.15am daily from Monday 14 October through to Wednesday 16 October 2019, you will have a choice of sessions exploring important issues in O&G, delivered by industry experts. Further information about Breakfast Masterclasses will be available on the website

Breakfast Sessions are included in both day and full ASM Registration, as is the delicious breakfast that will be served during the session.

<b>Monday 14 October</b>	7.00am – 8.00am
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<b>Tuesday 15 October</b>	7.15am – 8.15am
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<b>Wednesday 16 October</b>	7.15am – 8.15am
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## ASM Crèche



Recognising the ever-increasing demands to support parents, particularly women, needing to care for their children while attending important professional and continuing education events such as the ASM, an onsite crèche for the exclusive use of ASM delegates will be available.

The crèche will be staffed by fully qualified childcare professionals, with children between the ages of 12 months to 12 years welcome.

The crèche will be located in close proximity to the Plenary Hall and will open during the following dates and times:

<b>Monday 14 October</b>	7.00am – 5.30pm
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<b>Tuesday 15 October</b>	7.00am – 5.30pm
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<b>Wednesday 16 October</b>	7.00am – 3.00pm
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# Pre-Meeting Workshops and Satellite Meetings

The following Pre-Meeting Workshops are scheduled for **Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 October 2019**. Please visit [www.ranzcogasm.com.au](http://www.ranzcogasm.com.au) for the most current information and booking options.

Workshop numbers are limited, so early registration is encouraged. Each workshop is subject to sufficient attendance and may be cancelled if minimum numbers are not reached; in this event, fees paid will be fully refunded.

## Diplomates Days

### Saturday 12 & Sunday 13 October

**Facilitators:** Various

**Venue:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Cost:** \$570 daily

**Includes:** Morning and afternoon tea and lunch on the day of attendance. One ticket to the Diplomates Cocktail Function on Saturday 12 October 2019 at 5.15pm

**Participants:** Limited to 75

The Diplomates Day program has been prepared by the RANZCOG GP Obstetric Advisory Committee and each day is tailored to meet the needs of RANZCOG Diplomates.

As the program is limited to 75 participants, preference will be given to RANZCOG Diplomates, with a waiting list to apply for other registrants.

#### Day One: Obstetrics

- Obstetric medicine update
- Fetal/neonatal ultrasound
- Neonatal/infant medicine
- Peri-viability/in-utero transfers
- Human factors/critical incidents/event analysis
- Lactation
- Postpartum hemorrhage

#### Day Two: Gynaecology

- Paediatric/adolescent gynaecology
- Polycystic ovarian syndrome
- Menopause
- Pelvic pain
- Intrauterine device insertion
- Dermatology
- Transgender health

## Dysplasia and Gynaecology Oncology

### Saturday 12 October

**Facilitator:** Kym Reid

**Venue:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Cost:** \$570

**Participants:** 40

**Includes:** Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea

A one-day course targeted at Fellows, Trainees and General Practitioners. The aim of this workshop is to provide an update on the management of gynaecological malignancies, vulval disorders and cervical dysplasia. There will also be an overview on the interpretation of gynaecologic histology and post-operative management of the complex surgical patient. Presentations are designed to be a summary of contemporary management using case studies as examples of complex or common scenarios, with discussion encouraged.

## Training Supervisor Workshop

### Saturday 12 October

**Facilitator:** Alana Gilbee

**Venue:** RANZCOG College House

**Cost:** Free

**Participants:** 20

**Includes:** Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea

This seminar delves into the issues encountered by Training Supervisors as they balance a wide range of workplace demands, College requirements and trainee requests while supporting trainees on their learning journey.

The format for the day aims to be interactive, drawing upon your experience and the contributions of the facilitators, to resource you as a training supervisor.

There'll be a range of strategies for you to replenish your supervisor toolkit.







## PVOGS Presents: The Silver Speculum

**Saturday 12 October**

**Facilitators:** Hannah Gordon

**Venue:** To Be Advised

**Cost:** Full day – \$120,  
Academic morning – \$70  
(tickets can be purchased from  
[www.pvogs.org/members](http://www.pvogs.org/members))

**Participants:** Full day – 50,  
Academic morning – 50

**Includes:** Morning tea, lunch,  
afternoon tea

This workshop is for prevocational doctors with an interest in O&G. Join us for a stimulating morning of inspiring talks themed on the management of obstetric and gynaecological emergencies. Team up with like-minded O&G enthusiasts to work through a series of challenges and claim the Silver Speculum\*!

Silver Speculum competition will feature teamwork, knowledge and skills-based challenges, with time for feedback.

Visit [pvogs.org/ranzcogasm](http://pvogs.org/ranzcogasm) for more information. Join PVOGS for free at [pvogs.org/members](http://pvogs.org/members)

\*Not actually a speculum. Prizes up for grabs!

## Psychological Safety for Simulation

**Sunday 13 October**

**Facilitators:** Sarah Janssens

**Venue:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Cost:** \$410

**Participants:** 30

**Includes:** Morning tea

This half-day workshop aims to develop an understanding of the importance of pre-briefing to support psychological safety in simulation.



## Laparoscopy Skills Workshop (Half day)

**Sunday 13 October**

**Facilitators:** Claire Myers and Althea Askern

**Venue:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Cost:** \$410

**Participants:** 20 (morning),  
20 (afternoon)

**Includes:** Morning or  
afternoon tea

This workshop will offer an introduction to laparoscopy for the novice, and will allow experienced operators to fine tune their techniques.

The workshop will run over two sessions. The first is for prevocational and junior trainees who are beginning their laparoscopic training, with information covered including basic laparoscopy equipment, theory and techniques, hand-eye coordination and skills exercises, and outlining an approach to simple laparoscopic procedures.

The second session is aimed at experienced trainees and general gynaecologists who are looking to upskill and improve their confidence with higher level techniques such as laparoscopic suturing and approaching laparoscopic hysterectomy.



## Media Training Workshop

**Sunday 13 October**

**Facilitators:** Tash Katu and Lourdes Zamanillo

**Venue:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

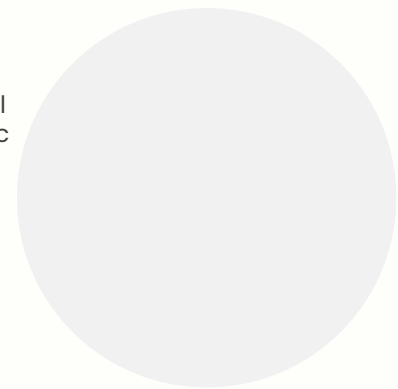
**Cost:** \$570

**Participants:** 20

**Includes:** Morning tea, lunch

This workshop will teach you more about the media landscape, including what journalists want, how to avoid jargon, and how to frame topics so that they are newsworthy. It will also provide you with tools to plan and prepare for an interview – be it on a clinical or a controversial topic.

Finally, it will introduce you to the world of social media, help you understand why it is an important space to build your network, and teach you the best practices to increase your reach; ensuring you are part of the important conversations with the right people.







## Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injury Workshop

### Sunday 13 October

<b>Facilitators:</b>	Oliver Daly, Raneer Thakar and Abdul Sultan
<b>Venue:</b>	The Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
<b>Cost:</b>	\$410
<b>Participants:</b>	32 (morning), 32 (afternoon)
<b>Includes:</b>	Morning tea or afternoon tea

This workshop will run twice and is a half-day program. The workshop is aimed at registrars and Fellows who regularly work on labour ward and are involved in the care of women who sustain an obstetric anal sphincter injury (OASI).

Attendees will become familiar with the new classification of OASIS and develop clinical skills in the techniques of accurate diagnosis of anal sphincter injury. Using the anal sphincter model, techniques in repair of the internal and external sphincter will be taught in a hands-on environment. Prevention and management of subsequent pregnancy will also be discussed.



## Ultrasound Workshop

### Sunday 13 October

<b>Facilitators:</b>	Janet Vaughan
<b>Venue:</b>	RANZCOG College House
<b>Cost:</b>	\$1,500*
<b>Participants:</b>	20
<b>Includes:</b>	Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea

This full-day practical workshop focuses on basic ultrasound knowledge and skills. This workshop fulfils the requirement for post-December 2016 FRANZCOG trainees to undertake an approved ultrasound workshop in the first two years of training.

The workshop consists of five hours of live scanning tuition and 2.5 hours of targeted lectures. The five hours of practical hands-on scanning includes training in transabdominal and transvaginal imaging using a combination of pregnant women and pelvic phantoms. Five workstations are organised to enable interactive small group teaching. Each workstation has a pregnant subject, an experienced tutor and a Sonosite ultrasound machine.

*\* Please note: The print version of the Registration and Program brochure showed a cost of \$1,050 which was correct at the time of printing. The revised and approved college fee for 2019 is \$1,500.*



## Urogynaecology Society of Australasia (UGSA) Workshop

### Sunday 13 October

<b>Facilitators:</b>	Abdul Sultan, Jenny King and Marcus Carey
<b>Venue:</b>	The Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
<b>Cost:</b>	Member – \$250 and Non Member – \$280
<b>Participants:</b>	40
<b>Includes:</b>	Morning tea

Much has changed recently for gynaecologists caring for women with pelvic floor dysfunction. The demand for this care remains huge while the expectations, pressures and regulations affecting clinicians have greatly increased. So how do we meet the challenge of ensuring high standard care for all women in all areas?

This workshop looks at what we need to know in urogynaecology to provide our patients with optimal care. What is the evidence for the latest treatments? What other options are there? How do we make best use of conservative management? Who needs subspecialty assessment? We also focus on treatment of urinary incontinence for women in rural and regional areas.

We have presentations from experienced urogynaecologists including the renowned Dr Abdul Sultan from the UK who will address some complex issues in pelvic floor medicine.

# Day One Program

## Morning

07.00–08.00 Breakfast Masterclasses

08.00–08.30 Opening Session

08.00–08.15 ASM Welcome

08.15–08.30 Welcome to Country

08.30–10.20 Plenary – STOP, START, CONTINUE

08.30–09.05 Ella McKnight Memorial Lecture: Building the Research to Progress New Therapies

09.05–09.35 Lessons from Mesh (Ranee Thakar)

09.35–10.05 Using Evidence Based Medicine to Stop, Start, Continue in Women's Health

10.05–10.20 Discussion

10.20–10.50 Morning Tea

10.50–12.20	Hypertensive Disorders in Pregnancy	Gynaecological Surgery	Free Communications	How to Session
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10.50–11.15	Prediction/Prevention of Pre-Eclampsia: Aspirin – A Miracle Drug? (Basky Thilaganathan)	Hysterectomy For Chronic Pelvic Pain: 'Is it All Hype or Our Best Hope?' (Sawson As Sanie)	Free Communications STOP!	Breech Delivery (1 hour session)
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11.15–11.40	The SFLT/PLGF Ratio – The Women's Experience in Implementing a New Test	Preparing Patients for Surgery Prehab, ERAS		
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11.40–12.10	Managing Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy and Postpartum	Long-Term Health Outcomes After Hysterectomy		
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12.10–12.20	Discussion	Discussion		
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12.20–13.20 Lunch, Exhibition and Posters

Monday 14 October 2019

## Afternoon

13.20–15.00	Urogynaecology	Multiple Pregnancy	Office Gynaecology	How to Session
13.20–13.45	Cosmetic Vaginal Surgery: Hype or Good Clinical Practice? (Ranee Thakar)	Perinatal Mortality in Multiple Pregnancy	Approach to Management of Vulval Conditions (Interactive Q&A Session)	Breech Delivery (1 Hour Session)
13.45–14.10	Urodynamics: An Evidence Based Review of Role in Urinary Tract Assessment	Fetal Monitoring in Monochorionic Twins (Basky Thiliganathan)	Menopause Management for Women Following Cancer	
14.10–14.35	Vault Suspension Procedures at the Time of Hysterectomy: Prophylaxis and Therapeutic	Preventing Preterm Birth in Multiple Pregnancy	Sexual Dysfunction	
14.35–15.00	Update on SUI Surgery	Update From Twins Genetic Studies	STI Management in the Era of Antibiotic Resistance	

## 15.00–15.30 Afternoon Tea, Exhibition and Posters

15.30–17.30	Fetal Growth Restriction	Gynaecological Surgery	Free Communications	How to Session
15.30–16.00	Fetal Growth Restriction – Understanding the Dopplers and Timing Birth (Basky Thiliganathan)	Laparoscopic Hysterectomy – Tips & Tricks for the Learner and Teacher	Free Communications START!	Breech Delivery (1 Hour Session)
16.00–16.25	The Fetal Longitudinal Assessment of Growth (FLAG) Study	Crunching The Numbers in Gynaecological Surgery: Surgical Volume, Training and Maintaining Surgical Skill		
16.25–16.50	Beyond FLAG – The Hunt for Biomarkers of Fetal Growth Restriction	Perioperative Pain Management in Gynecologic Surgery: Evidence-Based Approach in the Era of the Opioid Epidemic (Sawsan As Sanie)		
16.50–17.15	The SCV FGR Education Program	Navigating Tiger Territory: Approaches to the Pelvic Side Wall		
17.15–17.30	Discussion	Discussion		

## 17.30–19.00 Welcome Reception – Exhibition Bays 23 & 24

# Day Two Program

## Morning

07.15–08.15 Breakfast Masterclasses

8.30–10.30 Plenary – Pelvic Pain

08.30–09.10 Does One Size Really Fit All? Understanding the Neurobiology of Chronic Pain to Enhance Pelvic Pain and Endometriosis Care  
(Sawsan As Sanie)

09.10–09.30 Priorities for Endometriosis Research

09.30–09.50 The Role of the Physiotherapist in Managing Chronic Pelvic Pain

09.50–10.10 The Role of the Psychologist in Managing Chronic Pelvic Pain

10.10–10.30 Discussion

10.30–11.00 Morning Tea

11.00–12.30	Caesarean Section	Surgical Training	Free Communications	How to Session
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11.00–11.25	Vaginal Birth After Caesarean – Preventing the First Caesarean and Predicting Successful VBAC (William Grobman)	Robotics – Role, Access, Training and Learning Curve, Volume: International Perspectives (Sawsan As Sanie)	Free Communications CONTINUE!	Cystoscopy
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11.25–11.50	Placenta Acreta Spectrum – Preoperative Preparation and Operative Techniques	Simulation in Obstetrics & Gynaecology, What Should we Stop, Start, Continue?		
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11.50–12.15	Caesarean Section Techniques in Obese Women	Training The Laparoscopists of The Future Deciding Who Gets to do What – General Principles		
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12.15–12.30	Discussion	Discussion		
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12.30–13.30 Lunch, Exhibition and Posters



Tuesday 15 October 2019

## Afternoon

13.30–15.15	Stillbirth	Sticky and Tricky Pelvic Masses	The Journey Through Fellowship	How to Session
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13.30–13.55	Overview of Stillbirth in High and Low Income Countries	Deep Infiltrating Endometriosis	The Role of Journal Editors in Supporting Training in O&G (Basky Thilaganathan)	Cystoscopy (1 Hour Session)
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13.55–14.20	Prevention Of Stillbirth	Ultrasound Assessment of Adnexal Masses Benign/ Borderline Malignant	Supporting the Transition to Fellowship	
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14.20–14.45	Altered Fetal Movements	MRI Assessment of Pelvic Masses	Supporting Trainee Research Projects	
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14.45–15.10	Governance for Stillbirth	Tricky Pelvic Masses with Surgical and Histopathological Correlation	STOP – When Are You Too Old to Operate?	
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15.15–15.45	Afternoon Tea, Exhibition And Posters			
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15.45–17.30	Early Pregnancy Complications	Caring for Vulnerable Women	Developmental Origins of Health & Disease	How to Session
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15.45–16:10	Medical Management of Miscarriage	Antenatal Care for Women with Drug and Alcohol Dependency	The Role Of The Microbiome In Contributing To Asthma And Allergies In Children	Cystoscopy (1 Hour Session)
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16:10–16.35	Pregnancy of Unknown Location	Family Violence	Epigenetic Transmission in Obesity and Diabetes	
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16.35–16.55	Diagnosis and Management of Caesarean Scar Pregnancy	Brain Injury and Family Violence	Critical Periods and Lifestyle Interventions Programming Developmental Disease Risk	
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16.55–17:15	SOMANZ Guideline for Management of Nausea and Vomiting in Pregnancy	Gynaecological Care for Vulnerable Women	Gen V – A Population Approach to Discovering Developmental Origins of Health and Disease	
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17:15–17.30	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion	
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19.00–Late	Meeting Dinner			
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# Day Three Program

## Morning

07.15–08.15 Breakfast Masterclasses

08.30–10.15 Plenary

08.30–08.40 President's Address

08.40–09.00 Emily's Gumboots

09.00–09.20 Mental Health in the Medical Profession

09.20–09.40 Empowering trainees in O&G – How to build a specialist

09.40–10.00 Discussion

10.00–10.30 Morning Tea

10.30–12.15	Genetics in the Future	Reproductive Endocrinology	Sexual and Reproductive Health	Managing the Pelvic Floor
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10.30–10.55	New Frontiers in Perinatal Genetics	Guidelines, Translation and Clinical Impact in the Investigation and Management of PCOS	Abortion: Equity of Access	RCOG Perineal Bundle: Reduction in Anal Sphincter Injuries – The UK Experience (Ranee Thakar)
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10.55–11.20	Genetic Carrier Screening	Infertility Assessment & Management for the Generalist	Postpartum LARC Insertions	(10.55–11.10) Sexual Function and Perineal Trauma
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11.20–11.45	Cell Free DNA	Fertility Interventions – What is the Evidence Base?	Contraceptive Choice and the Transgender Individual	(11.10–11.25) Postnatal Management of Perineal Pain
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11.45–12.10	Ethical Issues in Perinatal Genetics	Ovarian Preservation for Women with Cancer	Mifepristone: A Drug to be Treated Like Any Other	(11.25–11.45) Operative Vaginal Birth, Levator Trauma and Long Term Consequences
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12.10–12.15				(11.45–12.00) Systemic Causes of Variation in OASI Incidence and Management in Victoria
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12.15–13.15 Lunch, Exhibition and Posters

Wednesday 16 October 2019

## Afternoon

13.15–13.45 Arthur Wilson Memorial Oration – The Changing Landscape of Fertility Management

13.45–14.25 Debate

14.25 –14.30 Closing Remarks

14.30–14.40 Presentation of Prizes

14.40–14.45 Presentation of the RANZCOG 2020 ASM

14.45–15.00 Closing of ASM



## Register Now!

Take advantage of early bird registration —  
register before 8 August 2019 and **SAVE** up to **20%**

# Continuing Professional Development

## Maximising Points

### Fellows, Associate Members and Educational Affiliates

This meeting has been approved as a RANZCOG accredited meeting and eligible Fellows, Associate Members and Educational Affiliates of this College will earn Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points for attendance as follows:

Full Attendance (meeting only)	22 points
Attendance Monday 14 October 2019	8 points
Attendance Tuesday 15 October 2019	8 points
Attendance Wednesday 16 October 2019	6 points



### RANZCOG Diplomates

GPs attending the meeting and/or the Diplomates Days program can self-claim RACGP Category 2 points at the rate of two points per hour; QI&CPD points are capped at 20 points per triennium. ACRRM points can be claimed at the rate of one point per hour; capped at 30 points per triennium. GPs are advised to retain details and evidence of participation for future reference, including a certificate of attendance and a program outline.

### Diplomates Days

RACGP Category 1 and ACRRM PRDP/MOPS points have been applied for.

### Rural Procedural Grants Program (RGP)

GPs registered and accepted into the RGP may be able to claim payment for activities including scientific conferences that they subsequently attend. The activities must be a minimum of six hours in duration and relevant to the discipline in which they have been registered in the program.

If you deliver unsupervised obstetrics and/or surgery in a rural or remote location, you may be eligible to participate in the program. However, to receive these grants, you must apply to register in the RGP through either the RACGP or through the ACRRM prior to attending grant approved training. GPs are encouraged to contact the RACGP or the ACRRM to confirm whether they are eligible for program support.

To register for the Rural Procedural Grants Program (RGP) before attending, please visit the following websites:

**RACGP Rural Procedural Grants Program (RGP)**  
[www.racgp.org.au/the-racgp/awards-and-grants/racgp-grants/training-grants](http://www.racgp.org.au/the-racgp/awards-and-grants/racgp-grants/training-grants)

**ACRRM Rural Procedural Grants Program (RGP)**  
[www.acrrm.org.au/continuing-development/assistance-and-grants/rpgp](http://www.acrrm.org.au/continuing-development/assistance-and-grants/rpgp)

### Pre-Meeting Workshops

Points for pre-Meeting workshops to be advised once allocated. Please refer to the meeting website for further information.



# Social Program



## Diplomates Cocktail Function

Saturday 12 October 2019

17.15 – 19.00

Level 1, Foyer 1.3

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre,  
1 Convention Centre Place, South Wharf

An included function for all registered Diplomates, this reception will be held in the Foyer 1.3, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre on 12 October 2019, immediately following the conclusion of Diplomates Day One.

This function is a prime networking opportunity, offering the chance to meet with colleagues, the RANZCOG President, members of the RANZCOG GP Obstetric Advisory Committee, the RANZCOG Board and College Council. A highlight of the reception will be the presentation of newly certified Diplomates.

**Includes:** Drinks and canapés

**Cost:** Included for Diplomates Day One and Day Two attendees

**Tickets:** Additional tickets are available for purchase via the online registration portals

**Dress Code:** Smart casual



## Presentation Ceremony and New Fellows Reception

Sunday 13 October 2019

17.30 – 18.30 Presentation Ceremony

18.30 – 20.00 Reception

Grand Hyatt, 123 Collins St, Melbourne

The New Fellows Presentation Ceremony and Reception will be held at the Grand Hyatt on Sunday 13 October 2019. Newly elevated Fellows and recently certified subspecialists will be joined by family and friends to celebrate this significant milestone in their career.

This function, which is an inclusion of full delegate registration, will also include presentation of medals for outstanding achievements in RANZCOG examinations, and the awarding of Honorary Fellowships and College Medals. Following the formalities, the reception will be held at the same venue.

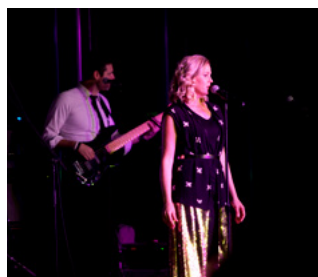
**Includes:** Drinks and canapés

**Cost:** Inclusive with full registration

**Tickets:** Bookings are required in advance and additional tickets are available for purchase via the online registration portals

**Dress Code:** Smart casual

# Social Program



## Welcome Reception

Monday 14 October 2019

17.30 – 19.00

Exhibition Bays 23 & 24

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre Expansion  
1 Convention Centre Place, South Wharf

An included function for all registered delegates, this reception will be held at Exhibition Bays 23 & 24, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre Expansion on Monday 14 October 2019, immediately following the conclusion of the plenary session.

This function is a prime networking opportunity, offering the chance to meet with colleagues, exhibitors and speakers while enjoying drinks and canapés.

**Includes:** Drinks and canapés

**Cost:** Inclusive with full registration

**Dress Code:** Smart casual

## Annual Scientific Meeting Dinner

Tuesday 15 October 2019

19.00 – Late

Metropolis Events

Level 4, Southgate, Melbourne

The social highlight of the meeting, the Meeting Dinner will be held at Melbourne's most chic and stylish event space, Metropolis Events. Located on the top level of Southgate Melbourne on the banks of the Yarra River, the venue features sweeping views of Melbourne city skyline and iconic landmarks including Flinders Street Station, Federation Square and Princes Bridge.

**Includes:** Dinner, beverages and coach transportation to/from MCEC

**Cost:** \$180

**Tickets:** Bookings are required in advance and additional tickets will be available for purchase.

**Dress Code:** Lounge suit/Cocktail dress



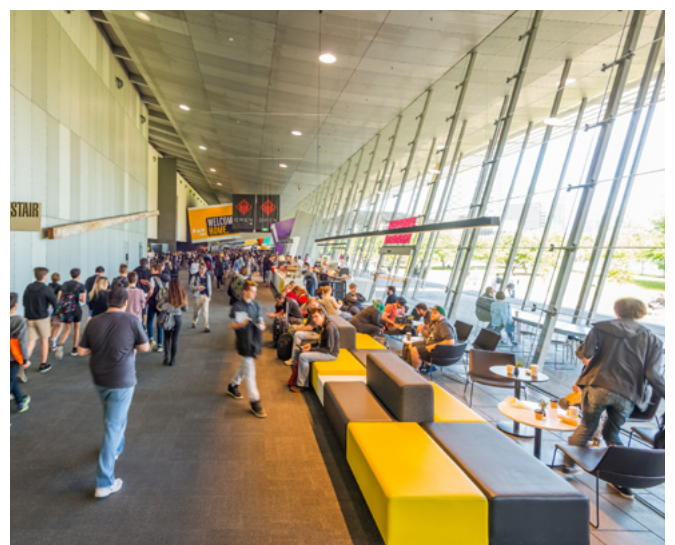
# Venue & Host City



## Venue

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists 2019 Annual Scientific Meeting (RANZCOG 2019 ASM) will be held at Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, Melbourne.

**Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre**  
1 Convention Centre Place  
South Wharf, VIC 3006  
T: +61 3 9235 8000





# About Melbourne



Melbourne's dynamic mix of style, sport and culture means you'll never want to leave. With a combination of world-class dining, art galleries, homegrown fashion and a packed sports calendar – it's no surprise Victoria's capital has been regarded the world's most liveable city for seven consecutive years.

Possessing a vibrant, multicultural population, Melbourne city serves as Australia's cultural capital. It's possible to completely immerse yourself in Melbourne's world-class food and wine scene with options from a complete mix of international cuisines. You must, of course, experience the coffee culture Melbourne is renowned for.

The city is prided on its opportunities for exploration, from world-famous laneways and cosy bars to funky pop-ups and public art. Prominent offerings in the form of major events and festivals, drama, musicals, comedy, music, art, architecture, literature, film and television are always on offer.

Getting to Melbourne is easy with international and domestic flights arriving direct to Melbourne Airport from many major hubs. Melbourne's straightforward visa requirements and 24/7 international airport makes travelling from overseas a very positive experience. From the airport it's a quick 30 minute taxi or shuttle bus ride to the central business district which in itself is compact.





# Accommodation

The Production House Events can coordinate your accommodation requirements for your visit to Melbourne. Attractive rates have been negotiated for RANZCOG 2019 ASM delegates at the following properties. Rates are quoted per room, per night in Australian dollars (AUD), inclusive of GST and do not include breakfast, unless stated otherwise. We encourage you to book early to ensure availability.



## Novotel ★★★★★

### 7 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf VIC 3006

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre –  
Walking Distance: 160m Time: 2min (approx.)

Whether travelling for business or leisure, Novotel Melbourne South Wharf provides sophisticated yet comfortable guest rooms removed from the hustle and bustle of city life. From the hotel's elevated position with floor-to-ceiling windows, each room offers striking views from the city to the bay. Rooms at this stunning Melbourne hotel feature a Novotel Live 'N Dream signature bed, LED Smart TV with media hub, a minibar, work desk and complimentary wireless internet access.

#### Superior King Room/Standard Double

A sophisticated design with Live 'N Dream bedding and floor to ceiling windows with views across the City or Port Philip Bay. Stay connected with high speed Wi-Fi, smart TV and bedside USB power. Bathrooms feature walk-in showers and fair trade amenities.

**Superior King Room** – \$280 per night  
**Standard Double Room** – \$280 per night



## Pan Pacific ★★★★★

### South Wharf, 2 Convention Centre Pl, Melbourne VIC 3006

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre –  
Walking Distance: 180m Time: 2min (approx.)

#### Premier King City Skyline

Our Premier King City Skyline Room comes with thoughtfully appointed amenities, complemented by floor-to-ceiling views of the Yarra River and Melbourne cityscape, to offer you a satisfying stay.

#### 2 Bedroom Suite

Our 2 Bedroom Suite comes with thoughtfully appointed amenities, complemented by floor-to-ceiling views of the Yarra River and Melbourne cityscape, to offer you a satisfying stay.

**Premier King City Skyline** – \$299 per night  
**2 Bedroom Suite** – \$574 per night

# Accommodation



## Crown Promenade ★★★★★ 1/2

### 8 Whiteman St, Southbank VIC 3006

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre –  
Walking Distance: 550m Time: 8min (approx.)

#### Standard

Our contemporary standard rooms offer a spacious 34sqm, with relaxed tones and textures and modern Australian art. Floor-to-ceiling windows offer an abundance of natural light.

**Standard Room** – \$275 per night



## Crown Metropool ★★★★★

### 8 Whiteman St, Southbank VIC 3006

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre –  
Walking Distance: 400m Time: 6min (approx.)

#### Luxe

This luxury accommodation in Melbourne's Southbank features a king size bed, large desk/dining table, ISD telephones with data-port and complimentary wireless internet access, in-house movies, PayTV and an ottoman window seat to take in the city and bay views.

**Luxe Room** – \$295 per night



## Crown Towers ★★★★★

### 8 Whiteman St, Southbank VIC 3006

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre –  
Walking Distance: 400m Time: 6min (approx.)

#### Deluxe

The Deluxe Room at Crown Towers Melbourne features a spacious bathroom with double marble vanities and deep soaking bath with television, separate shower, walk-in dressing room and the latest in-room technology.

**Deluxe Room** – \$370 per night



## Belle Apartments ★ ★ ★ ★ ½

### 250 City Rd, Southbank VIC 3006

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre –  
Walking Distance: 650m Time: 8min (approx.)

#### 1 bed room

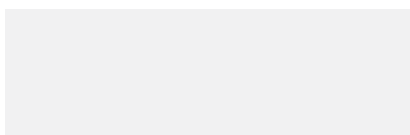
This spacious apartment includes one bedroom, a bathroom and a separate living area. With city views these apartments offers a unique perspective of Melbourne and surrounds. Kitchen facilities include an oven, microwave, dishwasher and assorted crockery. The apartment includes air conditioning, smart TV's, and laundry facilities. Please note this apartment does not have a balcony. Guests enjoy free WiFi and free local and national phone calls.

#### 2 bed 1 bath

This spacious two bedroom apartment includes a bathroom and separate living area. With city views from your own private balcony these apartments offers a unique perspective of Melbourne and surrounds. Kitchen facilities include an oven, stovetop, microwave, dishwasher and assorted crockery. The apartment includes air conditioning, Smart TV's, and laundry facilities. Guests enjoy free WiFi and free local and national phone calls.

**1 Bedroom Apartment** - \$199 per night

**2 Bedroom, 1 Bath Apartment** - \$299 per night



## Change of booking and cancellation

All reservations are subject to the individual hotel cancellation policies as stated in the hotel information in this brochure. **Any cancellation or change to a reservation must be forwarded via email to the Meeting Secretariat (info@tphe.com.au) and not directly to the hotel.** Verbal changes or cancellations cannot be accepted.

## How to book accommodation

Please indicate your accommodation requirements when registering. As there is limited space available at each hotel, it is important that you book early. Accommodation will be allocated strictly in order of receipt of registration and credit card guarantee.

## Booking deadlines

The meeting hotels impose strict block booking release dates of 30 days prior to arrival; therefore, any bookings made after 12 September 2019 will be subject to availability. We strongly suggest you book accommodation prior to this date.

## Credit card guarantee

Credit card details are required as a guarantee for your accommodation booking; these details will be provided to the selected hotel. The credit card is not charged and is used as a security deposit only. The final account must be settled on check-out direct with the accommodation venue. A tax invoice/receipt will be issued at that time.

## Payment of accommodation

The accommodation account and any incidental charges must be paid in full, directly to the hotel, on departure.

## Early or late arrival

Check in time for the meeting hotels is from 15.00. Please advise the Meeting Secretariat in writing if you will be arriving before this time as you may be required to book the previous night to guarantee immediate access to your room. Please also advise TPHE in writing if you will arrive at your hotel after 18.00, to avoid your room being released.

# Registration Information

Full Registration	Earlybird	Standard
Fellow / Specialist / Consultant	\$1, 410	\$1,760
Trainee / Diplomate / GP	\$1,060	\$1,320
Pacific O&G Specialist	\$705	\$880
Midwife / Retired Fellow / Nurse	\$705	\$880
Pacific O&G Trainee*	\$353	\$440
Low Resource Country**	\$480	\$480
Medical Student (full time)***	\$270	\$270

Day registration	Earlybird	Standard
Fellow / Specialist / Consultant	\$570	\$770
Trainee / Diplomate / GP	\$430	\$580
Pacific O&G Specialist	\$285	\$385
Midwife / Retired Fellow / Nurse	\$285	\$385
Pacific O&G Trainee*	\$145	\$200
Low Resource Country**	\$230	\$230
Medical Student (full time)***	\$150	\$150

\* For delegates registering at the Pacific O&G Trainee registration rate, please note that evidence may need to be provided upon request.

\*\* Please refer to the list of LRC countries on the meeting website to determine your eligibility to register at the Low Resource Country (LRC) registration rate.

\*\*\* This rate is not applicable to PhD students. Proof of full-time student status is required in the form of a copy of a student card or copy of current enrolment status proving full time student status. Please email the supporting documentation to [ranzcog@wsm.com.au](mailto:ranzcog@wsm.com.au) once registration is completed.

**Note:** Post-Doctoral Research Fellows and Research Scientists (non MBBS) can register at the Trainee / Diplomate / GP rate.

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## Registration Confirmation

All registrations will be acknowledged via an official confirmation email (where available) upon receipt of full payment.

### Full Registration includes:

- Attendance at all meeting sessions (Monday to Wednesday)
- Trade exhibition admission
- Morning and afternoon teas (if applicable and lunches for the duration of the meeting)
- Presentation Ceremony and New Fellows Reception
- Welcome Reception
- Satchel containing the Program Handbook

*Please note tickets to the Meeting Dinner are an additional cost.*

### Day Registration includes:

- Attendance at all meeting sessions on day of attendance (Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday)
- Trade exhibition admission on day of attendance
- Morning and afternoon tea (if applicable), and lunch on day of attendance
- Satchel containing the Program Handbook

*Please note tickets to the Presentation Ceremony and Meeting Dinner are an additional cost.*

### Diplomates Day Registration includes:

- Morning, afternoon tea and lunch on day of attendance
- Diplomates Cocktail Reception – Saturday

### Workshop Attendance includes:

- Attendance at nominated Workshop
- Catering (as specified)

### UGSA Satellite Meeting includes:

- Attendance at Satellite Meeting
- Catering (as specified)

## Cancellation Policy

Cancellation of a registration must be advised via email to the Meeting Secretariat via [info@tphe.com.au](mailto:info@tphe.com.au). Verbal changes or cancellations cannot be accepted.

### The following refunds will apply from the date of receipt of notification:

- On or before 15 July 2019: 100% refund less an administration fee of \$110 including GST
- On or before 13 August 2019: 75% refund less an administration fee of \$110 including GST
- On or before 16 September 2019: 50% refund less an administration fee of \$110 including GST
- After 16 September 2019: No refund available

The refund will be returned via the same payment method as the original receipt of funds.

No refund will be made after 16 September 2019. However, an alternative delegate name may be provided in writing and the booking and funds will be allocated accordingly.

Please note no refund or discount will be made if a function or event within the registration fee is not taken up or is subsequently cancelled.

Optional functions or events may be cancelled before or on 03 October 2019 and will be refunded in full via the same payment method as the original receipt of funds. After 03 October 2019, no refunds will be made however an alternative delegate name may be provided via email and the booking and funds will be allocated accordingly.

## Payment

All prices are in Australian dollars and include GST. Payment must accompany your registration.

Meeting registration cannot be confirmed until payment is received. Please also note that accommodation cannot be confirmed until credit card details are received by the Meeting Secretariat.

Payment can be made in the following ways:

### Credit Card

MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

### BPay

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Payments via BPay are accepted

Please note that payment by cheque is not available.



# General Information



## Trade Exhibition

The trade exhibition will be an integral component of the ASM. This is a great opportunity for delegates to meet with trade representatives from the leading companies that provide products and services to the fields of obstetrics and gynaecology and find out about the latest developments and trends designed to assist practitioners. The trade exhibition will be located in Exhibition Bays 23 and 24 of the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. To acknowledge the importance of the exhibition, the meeting program has been structured to ensure delegates have ample time to visit the trade area. Daily morning, afternoon teas (if applicable) and lunches will be held in this area.

## Dress Code

Please note that the dress standard for the meeting will be smart casual.

## Liability Disclaimer

In case of industrial disruption, the Organising Committee, RANZCOG and the Meeting Secretariat accept no responsibility for loss of monies incurred by delegates.

## Privacy Statement

Information provided on the registration form will be used to administer the Meeting including accommodation, catering, transport, sponsorship and exhibition. Data obtained will remain the property of RANZCOG and The Production House Events (TPHE).

## Visa Information (International Only)

With the exception of New Zealand citizens travelling on New Zealand passports, all foreign nationals must obtain a visa/ETA before travelling to Australia. New Zealand citizens are issued with a visa on arrival in Australia. For information about visa applications to enter Australia, please visit:

**[www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav)**.

Please note that visa processing times may vary. Delegates are encouraged to apply for the appropriate visa six to eight weeks before departure to Australia.

Importantly, it is the policy of the Meeting Secretariat not to supply an 'invitation letter' to unpaid or unregistered delegates as it is not required and does not assist in the visa-application process. Upon payment of registration fees, each delegate receives a confirmation letter of acceptance of registration and receipt of payment.





## Online registration

To register online simply visit the registration page on **[www.ranzcogasm.com.au](http://www.ranzcogasm.com.au)** and select Registration and then Register online. Complete your details and print off a copy of the summary page for your records.


Please contact the ASM Secretariat if you are unable to complete the online registration.

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