

VPNG

Annual State Conference

The Sebel
Albert Park, Melbourne
Friday 6th August 2010



**WORKING
TOGETHER**
*for
Success*

REGISTRATION
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

The Victorian Perioperative Nurses Group's (VPNG) 47th Annual State Conference theme for 2010 is 'Working Together for Success', where the educational content will focus on working together as a team for better patient outcomes. There will be an emphasis on clinical practice with a range of medical and nursing speakers - all will compliment the conference theme and hopefully provoke discussion and enhance knowledge.

Due to the ACORN Conference being held in Perth during May, the VPNG committee have decided to hold a one day event only and reduce the costs to delegates. With the 2009 conference being such a wonderful event we have once again chosen 'The Sebel' Hotel in Albert Park. The Sebel have excellent facilities and the exhibitors will again be located in the beautiful Grand Ballroom with views overlooking Albert Park Lake.

Based on members' feedback we have planned a diverse educational program for your learning needs with plenary sessions, clinical presentations, perioperative updates and concurrent workshops. There will be opportunities for you to renew old acquaintances and develop new ones.

Our trade exhibition will provide you with the latest products and information, so please take the time to visit the exhibits. New for 2010, the trade exhibition will be open from morning tea throughout the day giving registrants the opportunity to spend more time at the exhibits. A conference like this would not be possible without the continued support of our healthcare partners.

To our regional and interstate visitors, we hope you take the time to enjoy the many features which Melbourne has to offer. On behalf of the conference committee, I take this opportunity to invite you to learn and enjoy what is new in perioperative nursing.

As this will be my last day as VPNG President, I along with the VPNG committee look forward to seeing you at the conference.



Nanette Lundie
VPNG President 2008-2010

CONFERENCE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Nanette Lundie, Belinda Davie, Jennifer Furness, Lesley Gilbert, Gaye Hose, Nolene Schofield and Shelley Strauss.

MORNING PLENARY SESSION

'Surgery of conjoined twins'

Emma Beard, Registered Nurse
Marie Devlin, Registered Nurse

On the 16th November 2009 at The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) Melbourne, surgery to separate Bangladeshi conjoined twins Trishna and Krishna commenced after a lengthy period of planning.

Almost three years old, the twins were joined at the head and were first brought to the RCH by Moira Kelly's Children First Foundation (CFF) in 2007 where they were assessed and a decision was made to attempt separation. Since then RCH neurosurgeon Wirginia Maixner and her team performed several delicate life threatening procedures to redirect shared blood flow.

During this time the plastic and maxillofacial team led by surgeon Andrew Greensmith inserted tissue expanders to create the new tissue required for the separation procedure. The first tissue expanders were removed in January 2009 due to a serious infection and subsequent ones were reinserted in August 2009.

During all these procedures, the anaesthesia team provided crucial care for the twins, caring for two children having major surgery at the same time whilst dealing with the complex life threatening stresses that the twins' unique and changing cross circulation created.

At least 20 other departments at the RCH came in contact with the girls over the past two years.

For the final separation procedure, a team of 16, comprising neuro and plastic surgeons, anaesthetists, perioperative nurses and technicians participated in the complex and extremely high risk surgery.

Today, two of these perioperative nurses will share with you their experiences in working with the team to achieve the successful separation. They will outline the planning required and the subsequent surgery.

AFTERNOON PLENARY SESSION

'Legal issues relating to perioperative nursing practice'

Associate Professor Linda Starr, RN, RPN, BNg SACAE, GradDipDistEd SACAE, LLB Adel, GCLP SAust, LLM Adel, FRCNA, PhD Flin
**Dean School of Nursing and Midwifery
Flinders University, South Australia**

Dr Starr is an expert in the field of nursing and the law having published numerous papers, contributed to legal texts and presented at multiple conferences. She is a member of:

Royal College of Nursing Australia;
Australian Nursing Federation Law Society of SA;
Women's Lawyers Association;
Registration Advisory Committee NBSA;
Institute of Justice, Royal Australian College of Mental Health Nurses
Board Member: Australian National Institute of Health, Law and Ethics;
Australian Regional Representative: International Association of Forensic Nursing;
Board of Directors, International Association of Forensic Nursing;
Editorial Service: Law for Health Professionals, Harcourt Book Co.

Dr Starr has also received numerous awards which include the Virginia Lynch Pioneer Award in Forensic Nursing, Vice-Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence and the Enterprising Women: Recognition of Achievement Award.

Associate Professor Linda Starr will cover the topics of informed consent, wrong side-wrong site surgery and retained items following surgery.

VENUE: THE SEBEL, ALBERT PARK



The Sebel Albert Park is centrally located overlooking Albert Park and the lake in Queens Road, just minutes from Melbourne's CBD and 20 minutes from Melbourne Airport. The hotel also has the 'Windows' Restaurant, and the 'Atrium Bar and Lounge' also cater for snacks and beverages. A gymnasium, indoor heated swimming pool, spa, sauna and nearby jogging tracks will also complement your spare time between the educational and exhibition hours.

ACCOMMODATION

The Sebel and Citigate Albert Park have both 4 and 4 ½ star ratings for room accommodation. The conference committee has negotiated the following accommodation rates for the conference:

DATES	CITIGATE KING/TWIN 4 STAR	SEBEL QUEEN/TWIN 4 1/2 STAR
Early Bird until 31/5/10	\$160.00 - room only	\$180.00 - room only
From 1/06/10 onwards	\$170.00 – room only	\$190.00 - room only

Breakfasts booked individually are charged at \$23.00 per person per night.

The above rates are subject to change without notice, due to any changes in, or imposition of Government charges, taxes or levies. All rates quoted are per room per night and are subject to availability. Check in time is 2pm and check out is 10.00am.

You will need to contact the Reservations Team on 13 15 15 and quote "Victorian Perioperative Nurses Group" to make a booking.

All guests will need to provide a credit card to guarantee their booking.

Accommodation details – The Sebel and Citigate Albert Park

65 Queens Road, Melbourne, Victoria, 3004
The Sebel and Citigate Albert Park
email: reservations@tsapm.mirvac.com.au

PARKING AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Parking is located beneath the hotel and accessible via Lorne Street, the car park has 400 bays for your convenience. At the time of writing the rate is \$16.00 per vehicle flat rate per exit, therefore car parking is not only stress free but also inexpensive (parking rates are subject to change without notification).

Tram access on St Kilda Road is via Tram Number 5, 6, 64, 67 from Flinders Street Station.

TRADE EXHIBITION

The Trade Exhibition will open at 0945 hours with an expected 45 companies displaying the latest in surgical products and advice. New for 2010 the trade exhibition will remain open all day until 1530 hours to allow the registrants more time to view the exhibits. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be served throughout the trade exhibition area whilst networking and relaxing with colleagues, new acquaintances and our healthcare representatives. The exhibition will allow registrants and purchasing officers the opportunity to view and discuss state-of-the-art health related technology.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

This conference will allow you to develop learning objectives which will contribute towards your continuing professional development hours. Each hour of educational content you attend can be included in your professional portfolio. Also use the knowledge gained at the trade exhibition as contributing to your overall development.

PROPOSED CONFERENCE PROGRAM

FRIDAY 6TH AUGUST 2010

0700 - 0830 **REGISTRATION**
Grand Ballroom Lobby
and WELCOME REFRESHMENT
State Ballroom Lobby

0830 – 0945 **CONFERENCE OPENING, AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND PLENARY SESSION**
State Ballroom

'Surgery of conjoined twins'

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Marie Devlin, Registered Nurse
Royal Children's Hospital

0945 – 1015 **OPENING OF TRADE EXHIBITION AND MORNING TEA**
Grand Ballroom

Join us for the 'cutting of the ribbon' into this years trade exhibition and over 45 trade companies displaying the latest in surgical products and advice.

The trade exhibit will be open all day from 0945 to 1530 hours

Gold coin donation to aid Moira Kelly's Children First Foundation (CFF)

1015 – 1115 **MORNING SESSION ONE**
State Ballroom

'Colo-Rectal Surgery'

Associate Professor Paul McMurrick
Jane Burgess, CNS
Cabrini Hospital Malvern

MORNING SESSION TWO
Park Room

'Institute for Forensic Medicine - Coroners Court'

Michelle Skinner
Coroners Department

MORNING SESSION THREE
Grand Ballroom 2

'Exhibitor Workshops'

1115 -1215 **MORNING SESSION FOUR**

State Ballroom

'Obstetric Surgery - Placenta Accreta'

**Euan Wallace, Obstetrician
Vangy Malkoutzis, Anaesthetist
Southern Health**

MORNING SESSION FIVE

Park Room

'Intestinal transplant surgery'

The Austin Hospital

MORNING SESSION SIX

Grand Ballroom 2

'Exhibitor Workshops'

1215 - 1400 **TRADE EXHIBITION AND LUNCH**

Grand Ballroom

(1330 – 1400) **VPNG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

State Ballroom

1400 – 1500 **AWARDING OF VPNG LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AND PLENARY SESSION**

State Ballroom

'Legal issues relating to perioperative nursing practice'

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Dean School of Nursing and Midwifery
Flinders University, South Australia**

1500 - 1530 **ANNOUNCEMENT OF RAFFLES AND AFTERNOON TEA**

Grand Ballroom

1530 – 1630 **AFTERNOON SESSION ONE**

State Ballroom

'Neuro Surgery - Trans sphenoidal resection of pituitary tumours'

Mr Michael Pullar, Neurosurgeon
Cheryl Trist, ACN Neurosurgery
Monash Medical Centre

AFTERNOON SESSION TWO

Park Room

'Malignant Hyperthermia'

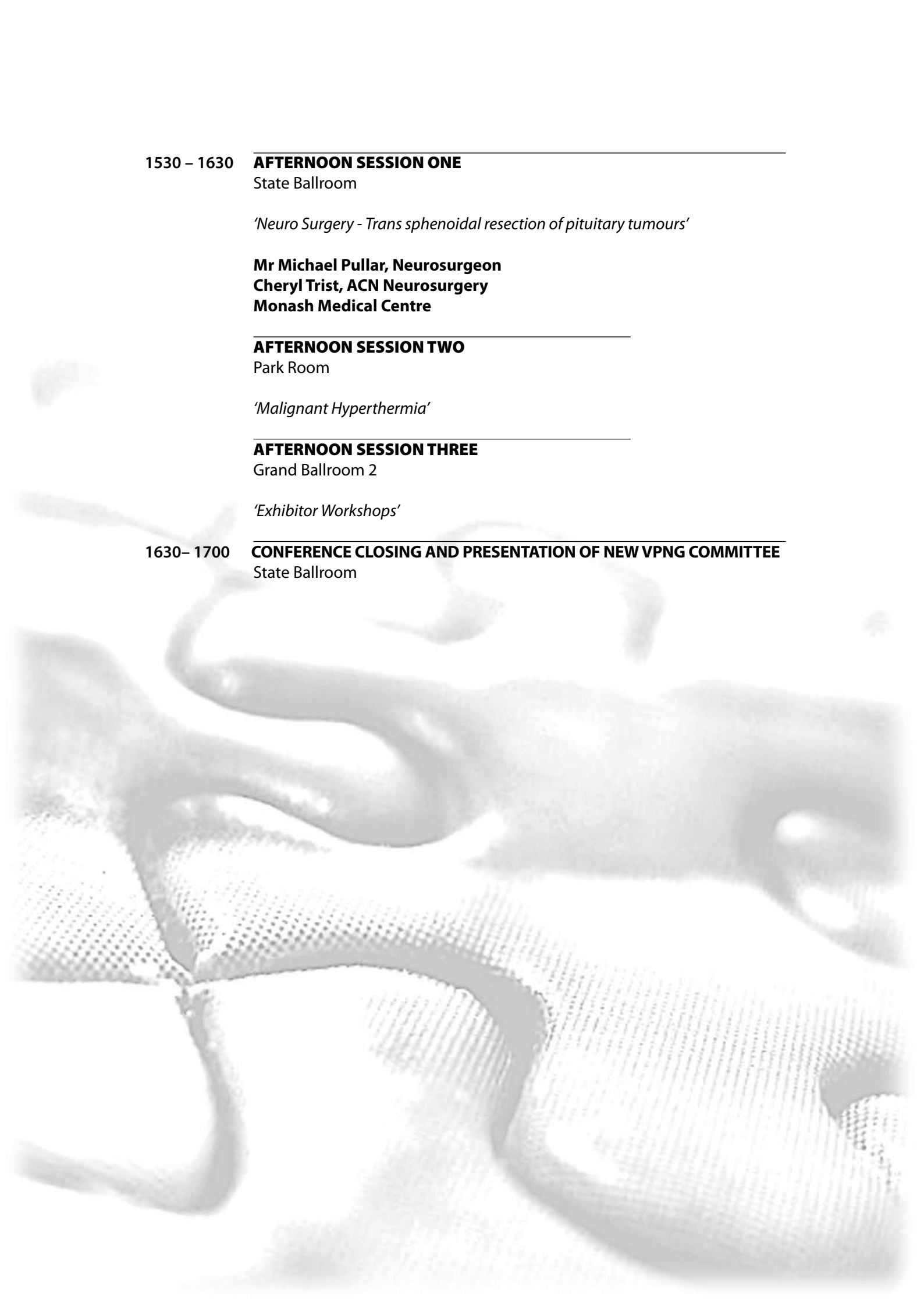
AFTERNOON SESSION THREE

Grand Ballroom 2

'Exhibitor Workshops'

1630– 1700 **CONFERENCE CLOSING AND PRESENTATION OF NEW VPNG COMMITTEE**

State Ballroom



REGISTRATION

Registration Entitlements

Registration Entitlements	Satchel	Sessions	Trade Exhibition	Breakfast	Morning Tea	Lunch	Afternoon Tea
Day Registration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AM Session Registration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
PM Session Registration	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
P/G Student Day Registration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corporate/Hospital Day Registration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
U/G Student Day Registration	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Registration Fees

Registration Options	Early Bird Member (prior to 6th July)	Early Bird Non Member (prior to 6th July)	Member (after 6th July)	Non Member (after 6th July)
Day Registration	\$120.00	\$160.00	\$140.00	\$180.00
AM Session (includes lunch)	\$70.00	\$90.00	\$80.00	\$100.00
PM Session (includes lunch)	\$70.00	\$90.00	\$80.00	\$100.00
Day Registration Full Time Post Graduate Student (Student No. req.)	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$110.00	\$120.00
*Corporate/Hospital Day Registration	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Day Registration Undergraduate Student (Student No. req.)	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00

*CORPORATE/HOSPITAL REGISTRATION

For the total cost of \$500.00, a hospital can obtain three (3) full registrations. The registration must be purchased and paid in full prior to the Conference. The registration will allow for three (3) people only to be present at any one time from the hospital.

REGISTRATION (INCLUSIVE OF GST)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Title (circle one) Dr Mr Mrs Ms Miss

Given Name: _____

Family Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Suburb: _____ State: _____ P/Code: _____

Telephone: (work) _____ (home) _____

Mobile: _____ Email: _____

Preferred Name: (for name badge) _____

Position: (for name badge) _____

Organisation: (for name badge) _____

Registration Options: (ie. Day Registration, Early Bird Member) _____

PAYMENT SECTION

I wish to pay by: Australian Cheque or Money Order (made payable to VPNG Conference)

Credit Card: Visa Mastercard Electronic Transfer – details

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Name of Card Holder: _____

Amount to be authorised: _____

Signature of card holder: _____

VPNG Membership Number: _____

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

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Complete the Registration Form and forward with payment to
VPNG State Conference
PO Box 593
East Melbourne, 8002
Fax with credit card details to: 1300 72 11 70

CANCELLATION POLICY

All registrants who cancel their registration must do so in writing to VPNG, PO Box 593, East Melbourne, 8002. Registration fees will be refunded as follows:

- On or before 20th July 2010, 100% of fees less \$30.00 administration costs.
- Refunds for cancellations after 20th July are possible only under exceptional circumstances and will be at the discretion of the VPNG committee.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Your name has been collected for registration purposes. A registration list will be made available at the conference for sponsors, exhibitors and delegates. The list will state your name and hospital only. Please sign here if you **DO NOT** wish your name to appear on this list.

I, _____ (signed)

Do not wish my name to be printed on a registration list being made available to sponsors, exhibitors or delegates.

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Please identify any dietary needs eg, diabetic, vegetarian, gluten free: _____

All special diets will be located on a separate table at the buffet

SESSION AND WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Please note that due to Occupational Health and Safety requirements, numbers will be capped for sessions held in the 'Park Room' and 'Grand Ballroom 2'. You will have the opportunity to specifically register for these presentations on the day and numbers will be monitored.