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Introducing

the new members of NSW Executive

President/NSW Delegate

Jeanne Barr has taken over as ANNA NSW President from Elizabeth O'Brien. She states that Liz's exceptional organisational skills have made the transition much easier, not to mention that they are a short walk down the corridor from each other if there are questions that need an answer. Jeanne works in a job sharing capacity with Vicki Evans at Royal North Shore Hospital as CNC - Neuroscience. She would love to hear from ANNA NSW members about their ideas for the upcoming year. More on that later!

Treasurer

Hi everyone!

My name is Caleb Ferguson and I'm the new ANNA NSW Branch Treasurer from 2011.

I'm originally from Scotland and came to Sydney back in 2005.

I currently work as an Associate Lecturer for UTS and teach mainly in the Bachelor of Nursing program and dabble in a bit of post grad neuroscience too.

Previous to this I designed and developed a post graduate neuroscience nursing stream for UTAs (part time) and worked as a Neuroscience Clinical Nurse Educator at Concord Hospital for the past 3 years. I have also worked in

the Neuroscience Intensive Care Department at RPA and the Acute Stroke Unit at POWH.

I had the fantastic opportunity to attend the WFNN conference back in 2010 in Toronto with assistance from a GMCT Neurosurgery Scholarship where I was able to network with some wonderful neuroscience nursing colleagues.

I have a real passion for neuroscience nursing and have developed a want for better education for neuroscience nurses.

I'm really looking forward to working alongside Jeanne, Brianna and Shae over the next few years and hope we can develop and create more local educational opportunities for neuroscience nurses in NSW and build the profession further.

Feel free to drop me an email if you have any ideas about local educational seminars: caleb.ferguson@uts.edu.au

Cheers,

Caleb

Have your say

on what ANNA NSW could offer in Education for its members. Just click on the link below. It short & sweet, so shouldn't take long to respond.

The Editor

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ANNANSW>



From the Editor

If you're looking for an opportunity to :

- network,
- learn more about an area of Neuroscience Nursing
- learn about the latest news in the Neuroscience arena ,
- hear about research or experiences from your Neuroscience Nursing colleagues

then you won't find a shortage of these opportunities being advertised in this issue of Hemisphere News.

This issue is packed with flyers about upcoming seminars and conferences for you to take part in.

If you need help to be able to attend, there is also information about the various scholar-

ships available. In particular look at the John Sheard Travel Award which is funded by ANNA NSW.

You'll notice we have a new President & Treasurer making up a new executive for the NSW Branch.

The executive already has some ideas of activities they'd like to implement for the benefit of our members. Take some time to fill in the survey about educational sessions –it's quick and easy and give you an opportunity to have input.

Looking forward to receiving reports and photos from the events as they happen.

Shae Miller
Editor.



Want to

- **learn something new?**
- **let the world know about something fantastic you or your unit have been doing?**
- **be part of what ANNA is all about?**
- **meet nurses who love Neuro just as much as you?**

**Want a chance to travel ?
Want to have fun?**

**COME TO THE
ANNA CONFERENCE!**

Scholarships to attend conferences

- <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing/scholarships.asp>
- http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/resources/gmct/neuro/guidelines_pdf.asp
- Applications for GMCT funding to be in by the **LAST Friday** in Feb, May, July, Aug, and Nov
- John Sheard Travel Award through ANNA - Applications to be in by the **last working day** in August <http://www.anna.asn.au/index.php?page=nsw-branch>

Want to go to a conference, forum, workshop, meeting or short course in 2011?

Why not apply for the John Sheard Travel Award?

Applications for this award will be considered for **travel, registration and/or accommodation expenses** associated with attending a professional development activity such as an educational/professional conference, forum, workshop, meeting or short course (excluding formal/higher education course fees); where the content is relevant to neuroscience nursing.

Closing Date

Applications must be received by the last working day in August.

For more information or an application

E-mail to: JBarr@nsceahs.health.nsw.gov.au

The Australasian Journal of Neuroscience needs YOU!



It's good for the profession, it's good for you!

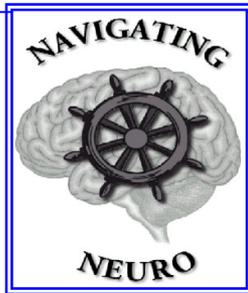
The AJoN will be published twice during 2010 – May & October.
Deadline for submission of articles: 1 March for publication in May & 1 August for publication in October.

Help is available to assist you if needed.

Manuscripts are to be in MS Word format (with Title Page, Abstract, Key Words, Body, In-Text Referencing, Illustration referencing).

**More information available on the ANNA website www.anna.asn.au
Email to the Editor - Vicki Evans –
editor@anna.asn.au**

See you in PRINT!



Health
Illawarra Shoalhaven
Local Health Network

2011 Neuroscience Conference

The Chifley, Wollongong

Saturday August 27th, 2011

0800 to 1500 (6hrs CPD)

*Hold on tight... brace yourself...
it's Navigating Neuro!*

Topics will include*:

Spinal Trauma

Stereotactic Spinal Surgery

Spinal Bracing

Clot Retrieval

DVT/PE

Cerebral aneurysms

MOCA

Spinal and Head Injury - a Multidisciplinary Approach

Early Bird Registration (incl. GST) = \$88 (before Aug 12th, 2011)

Registration (incl. GST) = \$99

(Includes Morning Tea, Lunch and Certificate of Attendance)

Closing date for Registrations is **19th August**

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*Please note topics may be subject to change



7th Australasian Nursing & Allied Health Stroke Conference

4 - 5 AUGUST 2011

THE HOLIDAY INN SURFERS PARADISE
GOLD COAST, QLD, AUSTRALIA

Keynote Speakers Announced!

The organising committee are proud to announce the keynote speakers for this year's conference will be Janice Eng, Sandy Middleton, Jacinta Douglas and Rohan Grimley.



PROFESSOR JANICE ENG

Dr. Eng is a Professor at the University of British Columbia, Canada and has a clinical training in physiotherapy and occupational therapy. She has published over 150 peer-review publications in the field of neurological rehabilitation. She has developed novel exercise interventions and has undertaken randomised controlled trials to demonstrate their effectiveness in improving mobility, fitness, bone health, cognition, upper extremity function and quality of life in people with neurological conditions.

Two of her stroke exercise programs, Graded Repetitive Arm Supplementary Program (GRASP) and Fitness and Mobility Exercise Program (FAME), are used in over 150 sites in 20 countries. In 2009, she was inducted as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences. Her work has been recognised by a Jonas Salk Award for lifetime contributions to reducing disability.

PROFESSOR SANDY MIDDLETON

Professor Sandy Middleton is the Director of the Nursing Research Institute, located at St Vincents Hospital, Sydney. She is also Director of the National Centre for Clinical Outcomes Research, an Australian Catholic University Priority Research Centre.

Professor Middleton has a particular interest in stroke and implementation research and has been successful in obtaining funding as a chief investigator on 45 grants attracting funding of over \$4.8M. She was the lead investigator on the recently concluded Quality in Acute Stroke Care trial.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR JACINTA DOUGLAS

Jacinta has qualifications in the disciplines of speech pathology, clinical psychology and neuropsychology. Currently, she is Associate Professor and Head of the School of Human Communication Sciences at La Trobe University. She has extensive research and clinical experience in the rehabilitation of adults with stroke and traumatic brain injury.

Jacinta's research interests involve evidence-based clinical practice, neurogenic communication disorders, and social participation, emotional adjustment and quality of life after acquired brain injury. She has presented frequently at international and national conferences and published numerous research articles and several book chapters. She is also co-editor of *Brain Impairment*, A Multidisciplinary Journal of the Australian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment.

DR ROHAN GRIMLEY

Dr Rohan Grimley MBBS(hons), BScMed, FRACP is a Geriatrician and Stroke physician based at Nambour General Hospital on the Sunshine Coast of Queensland. He is Clinical Chair of the Qld Statewide Stroke Clinical Network and Director of Geriatrics and Rehabilitation Sunshine Coast Health Service District. His main interest is acute stroke, along with acute general medicine, dementia, movement disorders and clinical ethics. He is passionate about multidisciplinary care and believes that teams should be fun to work in.



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Registration

Early bird \$30.00
(until 2nd May 2011)

Cost \$40.00

Payment Details:

Please enclose a cheque or money order made payable to:
Stroke Cost Centre No. 454711

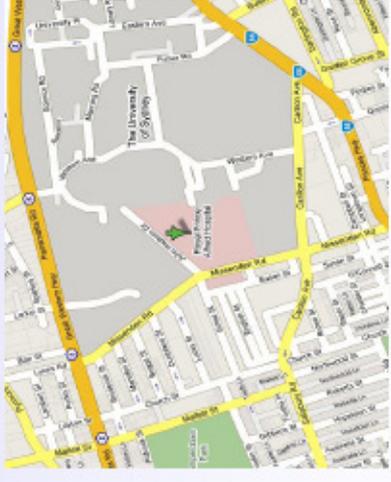
Please post your registration to:
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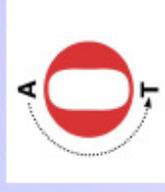
Royal Prince Alfred
Hospital
Neurosciences'
Seminar



16th May
2011

0715-0750	Registration	
0750-0800	Introduction	
0800-0845	Stereotactic Radio Surgery	Dr Ben Jonker, Neurosurgeon, RPAH
0845-0930	Interventional Management of Stroke : Jamie's Story	Nadia Schweizer, Stroke Case Manager, RPAH
0930-1010	Brain Death and Organ Donation	Myra Sgorbini, Organ Donation Co-ordinator, RPAH
1010-1040	Morning Tea	
1040-1120	"What are you looking at?" Caring for patients with a Halo-Thoracic Brace.	Melissa Holdsworth, Physiotherapist, RPAH
1120-1200	Epilepsy: The Facts	Reannan Byrne CNS, Neurophysiology, RPAH
1200-1250	Lunch	
1250-1335	Vascular Bypass Surgery	Dr Rodney Allan, Neurosurgeon, RPAH
1335-1405	Falls Prevention Programme	Mary Lordan, Neurosurgery Case Manager / Kylie Tastula, Clinical Nurse Educator, RPAH
1405-1430	Afternoon Tea	
1430-1515	Head Injury Retrieval Trial: HIRT—A review	Speaker to be Advised
1515-1545	Neurotology Testing	Alison White RN, Neurophysiology, RPAH
1545-1600	Evaluations, Prizes and Close	

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**Program may be subject to change on the day.*

Overseas Conference Opportunities

SAVE THE DATE!



WFNN Congress ~ Nagoya, Japan. September 13 - 17, 2013.

The Japanese Association of Neuroscience Nurses is excited and honoured to be hosting the next WFNN Congress.

The Scientific Committee (SC) for the 2013 Congress has begun the lengthy preparations required for a meeting in a predominantly non-English speaking country. The language of the Congress is English. The SC consists of representatives from Canada, UK, Finland, Japan, USA and Australia.



I encourage you all to make the trek to Nagoya – after all, it's in our “neck of the woods” - you will enjoy the experience!

Cheers,

Vicki

*WFNN Vice President
Scientific Chair 2013 Congress*



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R.S.V.P: 22nd April 2011

Access Charles Blunt: Situated in the

Coorabel Building, entry via 227 Morrison

Road only.

Please advise us on special dietary

Requirements at time of registration



**Presented by NSW
Metropolitan Brain Injury
Rehabilitation Nurses
Network**

**Please contact Sandra to
register your seat and also
leave your name, location of
work and position.**

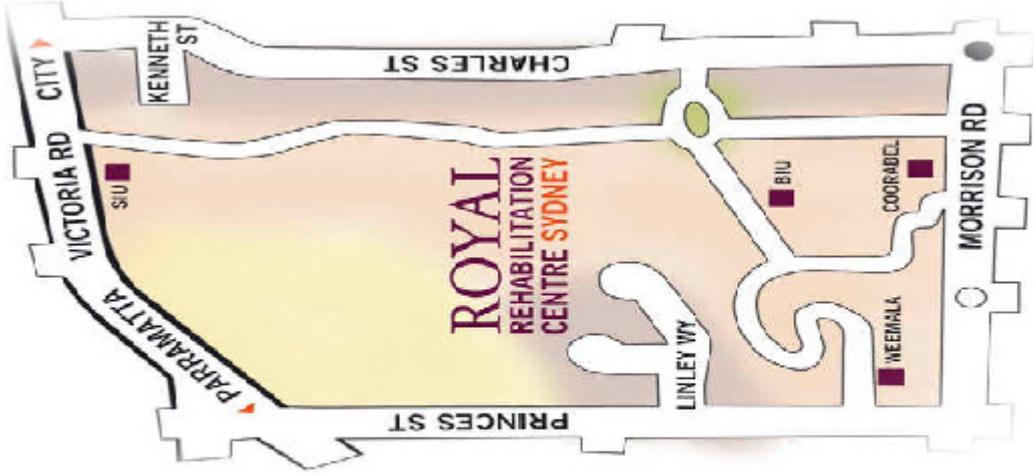
**Transitions of care -
Preparing to discharge
the TBI in-patient**

**Presented by NSW
Metropolitan Brain
Injury Rehabilitation
Nurses Network**



29th April 2011

**Charles Blunt Conference
Room
Royal Rehabilitation
Centre
227 Morrison Road
RYDE, NSW.**



0800 – 0820 – Welcome, registration etc

0820-0920 - Discharge Planning - from BIRU to community - **Dr Joe Gurka**

0920-0925 - **Arjohuntleigh** Presentation

0925 – 0930 – **Brightsky** Presentation

0930-1030 – LTCS – **Jessica Barnes**

1030-1055 – Morning Tea

1055-1100 – **Allergan** Presentation

1100-1145 - Guardianship Tribunal – **Guardianship Tribunal - TBA**

1145-1230 – Case management in the community – **Liverpool BIRU case managers**

1230 – 1315 - LUNCH

1315- 1345 - Residential care – respite services for TBI patients - **Raelene Edwards**
– **Northwest Disability Services**

1345 – 1445 - Case Presentations – **Joe De Jesus**

1445 – 1500 – Evaluation, sum up and lucky door prize



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ANNA - NSW APPLICATION FORM

JOHN SHEARD TRAVEL AWARD, PAGE 1 OF 3

Please read the Guidelines prior to completing the required details of the application form - only fully completed forms will be considered.

Checklist

- This application form is completed in full
- Involvement in ANNA - details provided
- Registration brochure, 'Call for Abstracts' brochure are attached, scanned or linked
- If presenting at the professional development activity, provide a copy of your abstract
- If presenting at the professional development activity, provide confirmation of abstract acceptance (when available)
- Provide a statement describing:
 - Your reasons for wishing to attend the professional development activity.
 - The relevance that attendance has to neuroscience nursing.
 - The methods you will use to disseminate the knowledge you gain from your attendance to other neuroscience nurses

Send your submissions to ANNA - NSW via one of these methods:

- **Electronically** - this is the preferred manner.
 - E-mail to: jbarr@nscchs.health.nsw.gov.au with the subject heading of: Attention ANNA - NSW (John Sheard Travel Award).
 - When Professional Development activities require evidence of travel costs, registration brochure or a 'Call for abstracts', these may be electronically submitted as a:
 - Link within the electronic submission.
 - Scanned document.
- **Mail**
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