

PVOGS ANZ Workshop | Program Outline

Gynaecological Laparoscopic Skills | Sunday 19th October 2025

09:00am - 12:30pm AND 12:00-15:30 | Two Sessions - 3.5 hours

Session Outline

This face-to-face PVOGS ANZ workshop is structured into a morning session and an afternoon session, with participants attending either the morning or the afternoon. Each session will combine both an engaging presentation and a more hands-on skills component.

Each session will then continue to the more practical component. This will be split into 'Basic Laparoscopic Skills' and 'Advanced Laparoscopic Skills'. The session will develop participants' laparoscopic gynaecology skills through a series of interactive exercises. Participants will be supported in each step of the practical component by our knowledgeable and experienced demonstrators.

This workshop will occur adjacent to the RANZCOG 2025 ASM venue, at the **Royal Australian College of Surgeon's Training Room 1&2.**

Session 1 - Program

0830 - 0900	Check in and Registration				
0900 - 0905	Introduction and Acknowledgement of Country				
0905 – 0930	Presentation: "Tips and Tricks to Successful Laparoscopic Surgery" • Presenter: Dr Tran Nguyen • Demonstrators: Dr Tran Nguyen and Dr Priti Pradhan				
0930 – 1045	Group A - Practical Session (Basic) Stacking Fine skills Peg board transfer	Group B - Practical Session (Advanced) Cutting Knot tying Vaginal Cuff Tears			
1045 – 1200	Group B - Practical Session (Basic) Stacking Fine skills Peg board transfer	Group A - Practical Session (Advanced) Cutting Knot tying Vaginal Cuff Tears			
1200 – 1230	Conclusion - Q+A, evaluation Afternoon Tea + Coffee Break - Opportunity to Network				

Session 2 - Program

1200 - 1230	Check in and Registration Afternoon Tea + Coffee Break - Opportunity to Network			
1230 - 1235	Introduction and Acknowledgement of Country			
1235 – 1300	Presentation: "Tips and Tricks to Successful Laparoscopic Surgery" • Presenter: Dr Kate Martin • Demonstrators: Dr Kate Martin, Dr Ritu Dutta and Dr Heather Waterfall			
1300 – 1415	Group A - Practical Session (Basic) Stacking Fine skills Peg board transfer	Group B - Practical Session (Advanced) Cutting Knot tying Vaginal Cuff Tears		
1415 – 1530	Group B - Practical Session (Basic) Stacking Fine skills Peg board transfer	Group A - Practical Session (Advanced) Cutting Knot tying Vaginal Cuff Tears		
1530 – 1535	Conclusion - Q+A, evaluation			

Speakers

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Dr Tran Nguyen Dr Heather Waterfall

Dr Kate Martin Dr Priti Pradhan

Dr Ritu Dutta

PVOGS ANZ Facilitator/ Volunteers:

Emily Purvis Dr Nour Saleh

Dr Emma Watson Sarah McCulloch

Dr Bella Stewart Michelle Wynne

Dr Tithi Kulkarni Dr Stevie Young

Nadia Fernando

Target Audience:

Who is the target audience?

Our organisation aims to engage with junior doctors and medical students with an interest in the fields of obstetrics, gynaecology and women's health. In particular, addressing the gap between finishing medical school and starting specialist training. This session will target pre-vocational medical students and junior doctors with an interest in this field - and in particular, in laparoscopic surgical skills. Our objectives involve ensuring ongoing learning, providing educational opportunities for our members/RANZCOG delegates and to spark curiosity in the surgical opportunities that are associated with women's health.