



ANZSIN Bulletin  
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Welcome to the second newsletter for 2017.

**Mission of ANZSIN** (Australia and New Zealand Interventional Nephrology). The promotion and safe application of interventional procedures in order to improve the care and outcome of patients with kidney disease.

**Aims:** Provide leadership and promote education and research in interventional nephrology through our objectives, which include: development of and coordinating training programmes, on-going education, developing clinical outcome monitoring programmes and accreditation standards. We will promote Nephrology and Interventional nephrology in particular as a career choice.

**10<sup>th</sup> ANZSIN annual meeting (Darwin, NT. 6-8 September 2017)**

On behalf of the organising executive committee I encourage you to attend our interventional nephrology meeting – Wednesday afternoon 6 to Friday 8 September 2017. As with previous years, our meeting follows our parent society (ANZSN) annual scientific meeting.

Our interventional nephrology and international guest speaker is Dr Dirk Hentschel from Brigham and Women's Hospital and Assistant Professor of Medicine Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA. Dr Hentschel is widely experienced in vascular access intervention techniques. At this year's meeting Dr Hentschel will be taking us through his expertise and knowledge into AVF management and prolonged survival. His topics of expertise include: Perspectives on Long-term Fistula Health – evaluating AVF by physical examination and translation of angiographic findings and physiological measurements into long-term care plan. Those of us involved in haemodialysis vascular access know only too well the importance of maintenance of a healthy vascular access.

As in previous years we will be utilising local experts within their field – including surgeons and radiologists. Topics to be covered in our **Thursday didactic sessions** include:

1. fistula mapping for assessment prior to creation;
2. fistula surveillance for maximising survival and early detection of potential problems from both medical and nursing perspectives.
3. PD access and related issues, including further progress on our ANZ success with acute early start PD avoiding acute 'crash start' HD.

During the **Friday workshop**, we will hold our hands-on activities, including:

1. USS scanning of HD vascular access;
2. percutaneous native and transplant renal biopsy techniques;
3. PD catheter insertion by Y-Tec and Seldinger techniques;
4. fistuloplasty;
5. temporary (uncuffed) and long-term (tunneled/cuffed) HD catheters – in both IJ and femoral vein sites.

Each registrant will have the opportunity to practice each technique.





The 2017 ANZSIN conference will be held at Oaks Elan, Wood Street, Darwin. Oaks Elan is located approximately 15 minutes from Darwin Airport; centrally located and within walking distance to the Darwin Convention Centre, the Esplanade, Bicentennial Park and various dining, shopping and entertainment options. Visit our conference website for further information and to register:

<http://www.anzsinmeeting.org/ehome/anzsin2017/home>



#### **Other up and coming meetings:**

##### **DAS - Dialysis Access Symposium.**

Collaboration for Dialysis Access – Management in the Asia-Pacific Region

19 - 20 October 2017

Nagaragawa Convention Centre, Nagoya, Japan

Registration closes 30 September 2017

<http://das2017-nagoya.org>

##### **American Society of Nephrology - Kidney Week.**

31 October – 5 November 2017

Morial Convention Centre, New Orleans LA

<https://www.asn-online.org/education/kidneyweek/2017/cfa.aspx>

##### **PD Academy 2018.**

25 – 26 February 2018

Pullman Hotel, Sydney Airport, Australia

PD training for nephrologists, nurses and advanced trainees. Registration opens late 2017. Approach your renal head of department – as the invitations and allocated numbers are sent to respective via ANZSN to Renal Unit HoDs in Australia and New Zealand.

##### **Australia and New Zealand Home Dialysis Conference 2018.**

Building for Home

28 February – 2 March 2018

SkyCity Convention Centre, Auckland, New Zealand

<https://dynamics.eventsair.com/QuickEventWebsitePortal/home-dialysis-2018/info>





**ISPD 2018.**

A Different Kind of Meeting  
5 – 8 May 2018  
Vancouver, Canada  
<http://ispdvancouver2018.org>

**11th International Congress of Vascular Access Society.**

11 – 13 April 2019  
De Doelen Congress Venue, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.  
<http://www.vas2019.com>

**The 27<sup>th</sup> International Congress of the Transplant Society.**

June 30 to July 5 2018.  
Madrid, Spain.  
Registration opens November 2017.  
<http://www.tts2018.org>

**ISN World Congress of Nephrology 2019**

12 – 15 April 2019  
Melbourne, Australia  
<http://www.isnwc2019.org>

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**Chair of ANZ Society of Interventional Nephrology**

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