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Critical Dates

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE
24 October 2011

ABSTRACT ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATION
20 November 2011

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE
1 December 2011

PRESENTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE
1 December 2011

CONFERENCE OPENS
18 March 2012

WELCOME DRINKS
18 March 2012 1700–1800

CONFERENCE DINNER
20 March 2012 1900–2200
(boarding from 1845)

CONFERENCE CLOSURES
21 March 2012



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Invitation

The AWMA 2012 Organising Committees would like to invite you to attend the 9th National Australian Wound Management Association Conference 2012 (AWMA 2012) to be held at the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour from 18–21 March 2012.

The Conference theme, *Harbouring Wound Care—Integument, Integrity and Innovation* acknowledges that persons centred, effective and efficient skin and wound management can be achieved through skilled, committed, health care professionals within a collaborative interdisciplinary approach.

AWMA 2012 aims to bring together a range of disciplines and specialties, including those who contribute to knowledge and technology development and who manage acute, recalcitrant or palliative wounds. The Scientific Program Committee intends to raise awareness of and improve the outcomes of those living with wounds, through the dissemination of current research findings and the implementation of best available evidence and innovative therapies.

What better place to harbour wound care knowledge and share experiences with both national and international speakers and participants than in beautiful Sydney!

We look forward to welcoming you in Sydney in 2012.



AWMA 2012 Committees

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David Belford, Wound Management Innovation Cooperative Research Centre

Gary Bain, Wound Clinic Sydney Adventist Hospital

Conference Venue

Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre Darling Harbour, Sydney

The Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre is a large purpose-built facility set in 50 hectares of parks, gardens, museums, shopping malls and amusement areas. Nestled on the shores of Darling Harbour, the venue has magnificent views of the city and is only a short walk to a number of tourist attractions. Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre is conveniently located close to the Central Business District and many of the Conference Hotels.



Program & Speakers

The Scientific Program Committee is planning both an informative and stimulating program for conference delegates. Plenary sessions will examine a variety of topics including defining and measuring outcomes in wound management, lower limb oedema and lymphoedema challenges and initiatives, development of new tools and products through research, counting the cost of acute and chronic wound infection, biofilm based wound care, and using innovation to enable others, to name a few.

National and international speakers, all experts in their field, have been invited to take part in what is going to be an exciting conference. These presenters include:

INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS



Prof Patricia Price

Tricia Price is a Chartered Health Psychologist working as Dean and Head of School of Healthcare Studies at Cardiff University. After completing her initial degree in Psychology and Education, Tricia won an SSRC scholarship to study for a Ph.D. at the University of Wales College Cardiff. Her interests are wide-ranging but focus on the measurement of patient experiences of living with wounds and burns, the patient awareness of risk, patient experience of care and non-medical outcome measures, including health economics, health-related quality of life and methods of evaluating devices/health care interventions. She has published >150 peer reviewed papers and is currently working on research grants (HTA, RfPB and EPSRC) on a range of interventions for patients with non healing wounds. She is a UK Director of Interburns™, Chair of Cardiff Institute of Tissue Engineering and Repair and Chair of the All Wales Rehabilitation Network. She is currently the Chair of the Patient Outcome Group for the European Wound Management Association (EWMA) and Secretary to the organisation, working closely with EucoMed for the development of new device technologies for this patient group—as well as the EWMA representative for the European Patient Forum.



Dr Zena Moore

I am a registered nurse, from Dublin, Ireland, currently employed as a lecturer at the Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery, Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland. I lecture in wound healing & tissue repair and research methodology.

I received a post graduate diploma with distinction, in wound healing & tissue repair from the University of Wales College Of Medicine in 1998 and an MSc in wound healing & tissue repair in 2001 from the same university. In 2002 I received a Fellowship of the Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery, RCSI. In October 2009 I completed my PhD studies, funded by a clinical fellowship from the Health Research Board of Ireland, exploring repositioning for the prevention of pressure ulcers in older adults residing in long term care settings.

I am actively involved in research in wound management and have undertaken a number of systematic reviews with the Cochrane wounds group and the Cochrane renal group, further, I have published over 75 articles and book chapters and have researched in many aspects of wound management which have been presented at local, national and international meetings.

I was president of the European Wound Management Association 2009-2011. Currently, I am Immediate Past President; I also chair the education committee and am a member of the scientific committee, the patient outcome group and chair the Cooperating Societies Board.

I am a Board member of the World Alliance of Wound and Lymphoedema Care and also a member of EUCOMED advanced wound care group.



Dr John Macdonald

John M Macdonald, MD, FACS, is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He received a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Notre Dame and his Medical Degree at the University of Pennsylvania, School of Medicine. Internship served at Jackson Memorial Hospital, University of Miami. Military duty as Captain in the United States Air Force. Residency in general and thoracic surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Fellowship in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery as Senior Registrar, St Bartholomew's Hospital, London England.

Dr Macdonald is Board Certified in general surgery and thoracic surgery. From 1971 until 1999, he practiced thoracic and vascular surgery in Ft Lauderdale, Florida. Over the past 20 years, Dr Macdonald has been extensively involved in the clinical and research aspects of wound care and lymphedema. He has lectured extensively both in North America and internationally. Dr Macdonald has authored numerous articles and text chapters relating to both lymphedema and wound related lymph stasis. He is the editor of the recently published, WHO White Paper--"Wound and Lymphoedema Management" In 2002 he was appointed to the faculty of the Department of Dermatology and Cutaneous Surgery at the University of Miami, Miller School of Medicine.

Dr Macdonald is currently the medical director for the University of Miami Lymphedema Clinic at Jackson Memorial Hospital and attending in the Department of Dermatology wound clinic located in the University of Miami Hospital. He is the Past President of the Association for the Advancement of Wound Care (AAWC). Dr Macdonald is the Secretariat for the World Alliance for Wound and Lymphedema Care, (WAWLC) based in Geneva, Switzerland.

In the first two months post earthquake, January 12, 2010, Dr Macdonald was the Medical Director for the Wound Care program in the University of Miami, Project Medishare, Haitian Relief Hospital in Port-au-Prince.

In 2011 he was invited to take on this role again and now co-ordinates these services in Haiti for a minimum of one week per month.



Prof David Leaper

Professor Leaper qualified from Leeds Medical School in 1970 MB ChB (with honours) and trained in general surgery in Leeds, Scarborough, King's College and Westminster Hospitals in London with research periods as a Cancer Research Campaign Fellow and Medical Research Council Fellow. He has the Fellowship in Surgery of the Royal Colleges of Edinburgh, England and Glasgow; by thesis the MD and ChM; and the Fellowship of the American College of Surgeons. He was Senior Lecturer in Surgery/Consultant surgeon at the University of Bristol (1981-1995), Professor of Surgery at the University of Hong Kong (1988-1990) and the University of Newcastle upon Tyne (1995-2004), and now Emeritus Professor, with Visiting

Chair status at Cardiff University and Imperial College, London.

Professor Leaper's research interests include surgical infection and sepsis, wound healing, breast and colorectal cancer, computer-aided diagnosis and education and training. He has been an editor/reviewer for many journals. He is a past president of the Surgical Infection Society of Europe, the European Wound Management Association, Hunterian Professor and a Zachary Cope lecturer. He has published over 10 books, 50 chapters and 300 original research and review papers (over 150 on Medline).

Professor Leaper is a past member of the Court of Examiners and has examined for the Intercollegiate Fellowship and serves as an external examiner for other undergraduate and postgraduate examinations (senior examiner Imperial College). He was an instigator of the Care of the Critically Ill Surgical Patient course (CCrISP). He is a past programme director (Northern Deanery) and served on the Specialist Advisory Board in general surgery. He was Chair of the NICE guideline on SSI, is a member of the Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare Associated Infection committee and Fellow of the Linnaean Society.



Dr Randy Wolcott

Dr. Randall Wolcott is the founder of the Southwest Regional Wound Care Center in Lubbock, TX. The Wound Care Center specializes in biofilm-based wound care offering many disciplines in wound care including debridements, venous procedures, hyperbaric oxygen treatments, IV therapy, and skin grafts. The Wound Care Center offers state of the art technology with molecular diagnostics and state of the art alternative medicine including customized topical wound gels.

Dr. Wolcott is certified as a Wound Specialist by the Academy of Wound Management. He has over 10 years of wound care experience. Dr. Wolcott has presented at many wound care conferences nationwide. He is passionate about healing wounds and educating healthcare professionals on new and exciting information that is relevant to healing wounds.

NATIONAL SPEAKERS



Prof MacLellan

Prof. MacLellan was born in Scotland and obtained his science and medical degrees in Glasgow University. He was awarded the Surgical Fellowship in 1984 and an MD through the University of Melbourne in 1985.

In 1991, he was appointed to his first Chair of Surgery, University of Melbourne based at the Repatriation Hospital. He then moved to Canberra as the Inaugural Professor of Surgery, University of Sydney in 1996. He embarked on an MBA through Monash University and graduated in 2002. Currently, Prof. MacLellan is in the NSW Health Department and has responsibility as the State wide Program Director of Surgery.

From the time of his post graduate training, Prof MacLellan has been active in wound education and research and has widely published and presented on wound related topics, both nationally and internationally. For a number of years, he has participated in a monthly clinical teleconference with practicing Wound Specialists Nurse Practitioners across Australia. Prof MacLellan is currently a Trustee of the Australian Wound Management Research Foundation and is a Life Member of the Wound Care Association of NSW and the Australian Wound Management Association.



Dr Sherry Kothari

In 1989, following her undergraduate studies in Dentistry, Sherry started her masters training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and practised for over 5 years in the National Health Service (UK), and privately in Kenya. She undertook doctoral studies in Biomaterials at the University of Sheffield, focussing on osseointegration and healing at the bone-implant interface. Sherry subsequently held lectureships in Medical Materials and Tissue Engineering at the Universities of Sheffield and Manchester for seven years.

In 2004, Sherry embarked on a new career pathway, undertaking an Executive MBA (Sheffield). She focused upon entrepreneurship within the biotechnology sector and put her "learnings" into practice as a founder investor in two university spin-out companies in the healthcare arena. These companies developed novel healthcare and diagnostic tools. The legacy of these companies is apparent today as products now commercially available, worldwide. As Enterprise Manager at the University of Sheffield, 2004-06, Sherry played a significant role in introducing enterprise and entrepreneurship education within Science and Engineering. During this time, her role was to mentor and fund early start-up ventures. Whilst working mainly with high-tech ideas, tangentially, one successful idea that Sherry and her team backed was that of a truffle farm, later featured on "Dragons Den" (BBC TV) and exists as a successful business today.

In 2007, Sherry took up a position at the Mawson Institute, University of South Australia. She was attracted to the opportunity to develop new commercial ventures around the \$10M that was being put into advanced facilities for biomaterials development and cell culture. Her current role focuses on harnessing research, developing new paradigms to enable the rapid translation of research outcomes into patient benefits. In 2011, Sherry also took over as Program Leader for one of the three research programs of the newly formed Wound Management Innovation Cooperative Research Centre. The program, Tools and Therapies, is developing innovative tools, diagnostics and therapeutics for the next generation of advanced wound management solutions.



Prof Zee Upton

Professor Zee Upton is a biochemist, an inventor and a tissue engineer who is nationally and internationally renowned for her research in growth factors, extracellular matrix proteins and wound repair. Her research is conducted within the Tissue Repair and Regeneration Program within the QUT Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation. This research program is a highly inter-disciplinary consortium of 50+ researchers from the fields of life, biomedical, chemical, and mathematical and IT sciences, and works closely with clinicians from the QUT Faculty of Health. Since the award of her PhD in Biochemistry in 1994 Prof Upton has developed a significant record of innovative and quality scientific research that has yielded: \$20+ million in research; 80+ publications; 10 patent applications; the receipt of many awards; and the establishment and listing of the biotechnology company, Tissue Therapies Ltd, on the ASX. More recently she led the bid to establish the \$100+ million Wound Management Innovation CRC. She is now Leader of the Enabling Technologies Program within the CRC, as well as Assistant Dean (Research) in the QUT Faculty of Health.

Program & Speakers *(continued)*

NATIONAL SPEAKERS



Prof Helen Edwards

Professor Helen Edwards, OAM, is Head of the School of Nursing and Midwifery at Queensland University of Technology in Queensland, Australia and a member of the Institute of Health and

Biomedical Innovation. Helen is also a Program Leader for the Wound Management Innovation Cooperative Research Centre.

Professor Edwards is internationally recognised for her work in ageing, chronic disease and wound management. Her clinical research is focused on evaluating models of care for people with chronic wounds and self-management of chronic disease. She leads the wound management research team in the Faculty of Health at QUT and works with multi disciplinary teams and in partnership with industry. Her team conducted the first clinical trial in Australia to demonstrate the effectiveness of a chronic disease self-management model of care for people with venous leg ulcers. Following this research several 'Leg Clubs' were set up across Australia including a Wound Healing Community Outreach Service at QUT which is in its 3rd year of operation. Over the last two years Helen has been a part of the QUT team which led the development for the Wound Management Innovation Cooperative Research Centre.



Assoc Prof Keryln Carville

Keryln has an expansive clinical practice in wound and ostomy management and has a commitment to research and education within these domains. She is a Founding and Life

Member of the WA Wound Care Association, an Inaugural Fellow of Australian Wound Management Association (AWMA) in 2006, Chair of the Australian Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel and Chair of the AWMA Australian Wound Standards Committee, a member of the AWMA Venous Leg Ulcer Committee, Chair Evidence Committee International Wound Infection Institute and Chair of the WoundsWest Education Committee.

In addition, Keryln sits on the Editorial Board for *the Journal of Stomal Therapy Australia* and *the Journal of Wound Practice and Research*. She is actively involved in the development and role out of the WoundsWest© project. WoundsWest is a partnership initiative between WA Health, Silver Chain and Curtin University and has resulted in statewide wound prevalence surveys, online wound education modules and an online wound advisory service. Keryln is an active participant in the Wound Management Innovation CRC in her roles with Curtin University, Silver Chain and WoundsWest. She has many publications and delivered key note addresses nationally and internationally. She was awarded the inaugural Life Time Achievement Award for Nursing by WA Health in 2010.



Prof Nick Santamaria

Nick Santamaria is the Professor of Nursing Research, Translational Research at the University of Melbourne and the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

He has a long history of research in wound care and developed the Advanced Medical Wound Imaging System. He was the Chief Investigator of the Kimberly Trial in 2004 and the PRIME Trial in 2005 which led in part to the development of the WoundsWest System in WA and he currently chairs the IT working group for WoundsWest.

Nick has published extensively and has secured more than \$11M in research funding and is a member of the consortium that was recently successful in receiving \$28M Commonwealth funding to establish a Collaborative Research Centre in Wound Management Innovation.



Prof Allison Cowin

Prof. Allison Cowin is head of the Wound Healing Laboratory at the WCHRI and is Prof of Tissue Repair at the University of Adelaide. Her team of 12 staff and students are developing new

antibody-based therapies for the treatment of chronic wounds and burn injuries. She is currently an NHMRC Senior Research Fellow and her research has received special recognition from the NHMRC by inclusion in the 2008 '10 of the best projects' publication and an invitation to describe her research in a podcast for the NHMRC website. In 2009 she was awarded the MS McLeod Medal for Research Excellence. Prof Cowin is a Project leader in the Wound Management Innovation CRC. She is also founder and inaugural President of the Australasian Wound & Tissue Repair Society and a member of the AWMA national committee. She serves on the Editorial Advisory Board of the American Journal "Wound Repair and Regeneration" and is joint editor of the journal *Wound Practice and Research*. Prof Cowin is founding CEO of AbRegen Pty Ltd a company developing new antibody based therapies for treating wounds.



Prof Neil Pillar

Neil is a Professor in Lymphology in the Department of Surgery, School of Medicine, Flinders University and Director of the Lymphoedema Assessment Unit. Flinders

Surgical Oncology.

He is one of the coordinators of the Graduate Entry Medical Program and runs a specialist elective in Lymphatics in Health and Disease. All students undertake a research project. In 2011, 8 of the 25 have been accepted to present their work in Sweden at the 23rd International Society of Lymphology Meeting

Neil is an executive board member of the International Society of Lymphology and was President of the 22nd International Congress of Lymphology. Neil is Board Member of the World Alliance for Wound and Lymphoedema Care and the Internationale Union de Phlebology, as well as the International, American and Australian Lymphoedema Frameworks.

He is Australasian Editor of USA based Lymphatic Research and Biology, editorial board member of the USA based journal "Lymphology", clinical sciences editor of the UK based "Journal of Lymphoedema", and editorial board member of the USA based "Phlebology" journal and the "US Chinese Journal of Oncology and Lymphology".

Neil has an Emeritus fellowship with the Australasian College of Phlebology a gold medal for excellence in the advancement of science in the field of lymphology, an award from the International Lymphoedema Framework for excellence and leadership in clinical research and from the American Society of Lymphology (2007) for his lymphatic research and for his dedication to advance evidence based medicine in Lymphology.

Neil is strongly committed to improving education and awareness of lymphoedemas in patients and practitioners,

through their early detection and is leader of a team (School of Medicine and Nursing and Midwifery at Flinders and Adelaide Unis) supported by Lion's International involved with an outreach screening for lymphoedemas.

Neil's research occurs mainly in the form of clinical trials, with the majority examining the ways of providing targeted treatment for lymphoedema that can be performed by health professionals and patients (partners/carers).

Neil has a strong interest in bringing evidence and objectivity into the assessment, and targeting of treatment on lymphoedemas and in association with members of the Biomedical Engineering group at FMC has pioneered the development of tonometry/indurometry aimed at providing cheap and objective measures of the status of lymphoedema.



Assoc Prof Kerry Reid Searl

Dr Kerry Reid Searl is an Associate Professor at CQUniversity and Assistant Dean of Community Engagement in the School of Nursing and Midwifery. Since completing her nursing and midwifery education, Kerry has gained a Bachelor of Health Science, a Masters of Clinical Education and her PhD. Kerry has had extensive nursing experience in the Torres Strait as well as regional Queensland and currently still practices in the area of paediatrics. She has been involved in undergraduate nursing education for the past 20 years. Kerry has been the recipient of numerous teaching awards including the CQUniversity Vice Chancellors Teaching Award in 2008 and 2010, a Faculty of Science Engineering and Health teaching award in 2008 and 2010, an Australian Learning and Teaching Citation for her outstanding contribution to student learning in 2008 and was named Pearson/Australian Nurse Teacher Society – Nurse Teacher of the Year in 2009. Most recently she has become known nationally and internationally for her pioneering work in creating an innovative simulation strategy termed MASK-ED (KRS Simulation). Kerry is also well published in international journals for her work around medication safety and has been the principal author, as well as co author, of several nursing text books which have been sold nationally and internationally



Assoc Prof Mike Bennett

Associate Professor Bennett is a senior specialist in Anaesthesia and Hyperbaric Medicine at Prince of Wales Hospital and a Conjoint Associate Professor in the faculty of Medicine, University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia. He graduated from the University of New South Wales in 1979 and spent his early post-graduate training at the Prince Henry/Prince of Wales Hospitals before undertaking training in Anaesthesia in the UK. He returned to Sydney in 1990 as a retrieval specialist on the Lifesaver Helicopter and here developed an interest in both diving and hyperbaric medicine. He was appointed director of the Department of Diving and Hyperbaric Medicine at Prince Henry Hospital in 1994 and supervised the move of the state hyperbaric service to POWH in 1995. This service grew under his direction from a mainly diving service treating one to two patients per day to a fully fledged multi-disciplinary department treating up to 20 patients per day and a total of over 5,000 therapeutic compressions each year. The majority of patients are those suffering from radiation tissue injury and hypoxic, poorly healing wounds.

A/Prof. Bennett also has a strong interest in clinical epidemiology and is an experienced clinician and researcher in both Anaesthesia and Diving/Hyperbaric Medicine. He has published widely on the evidence-basis of hyperbaric medicine and is a strong advocate of evidence-based practice. His doctoral thesis included the work on the place of oxygen therapy in both migraine and cluster headache. In 2002 he was the recipient of the Behnke Award for outstanding scientific achievement from the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society in Boston, Mass.

A/Prof. Bennett is an executive member of the Australia and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists SIG in the area and the current President of the South Pacific Underwater Medicine Society.



Prof Roy Kimble

Professor Kimble is a Paediatric Surgeon & Director of Burns & Trauma in the Combined Department of Paediatric Surgery, Brisbane, Australia. Originally from Scotland he has been working in the field of paediatric burns and trauma for 25 years in five countries. He is Director of Paediatric Trauma on the Queensland Statewide Network, and is a board member of Kidsafe Queensland. He is a committee member of the Queensland Injury Prevention Council, a WHO advisor on Paediatric Burns and medical advisor for St John Ambulance. He is an ex-Australian Vice President of the Australia & New Zealand Burns Association. He founded & heads the Centre for Children's Burns Research at Queensland Children's Medical Research Institute performing both clinical and basic research in the field of paediatric burns and trauma including prevention. He has published over 110 peer reviewed papers and 11 book chapters, and has been a plenary or keynote speaker at overseas meetings on more than 90 occasions.



Dr Kate Miller

Kate is an occupational therapist who has been working with paediatric burn injuries over the last 6 years. She completed her PhD earlier this year and her presentation is based on her doctorate. Pain and non-pharmacological approaches to pain management has been a clinical interest area of Kate's due to the area being under recognised, under researched and under resourced but plays such a major role in the recovery of the children we see. Kate has published particularly in the area of pain and technology to ensure barriers to appropriate pain protocols are minimised, enhancing uptake.

Dr Ross Bradbury

Dr Ross Bradbury is a graduate of the University of Sydney, a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians and a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia. He is the Head of the Department of Microbiology at Concord Hospital, a Teaching Hospital for the University of Sydney. He has a busy clinical Infectious Diseases and Microbiology involvement at four hospitals in Sydney – Concord, Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai, as well as The Sydney Adventists and Strathfield Private. He also provides a service to Dubbo Base Hospital. As Chairman of a number of Infection Control Committees and Chairman of the Drug Committee at Concord Hospital he has developed a strong interest in hospital infections and the judicious use of antibiotics in both hospitals and the community. He is a former member of both the Australian Drug Evaluation Committee and the Australian Adverse Drug Reaction Committee. He has had a long involvement in teaching at both an undergraduate and postgraduate level.

Pre Conference Workshop

An exciting and stimulating one day interactive program is being developed to precede the AWMA 2012 Conference, with the aim to provide delegates with an additional learning and networking opportunity facilitated by both national and international experts in their field. This day is suitable for all Health Care Professionals (HCPs), whether new to the specialty of wound management through to those developing extensive knowledge in the area.

These morning sessions will provide a theoretical basis for the practical and interactive sessions to follow (before lunch), and aim to cover several topics of current interest, including biofilm based wound care for acute/chronic wounds, challenges of chronic oedema and lymphoedema care, the impact of stress, anxiety and depression on wound healing outcomes and diagnostics to name a few.

Smaller group work sessions (specific to attendees experience level) will be featured in the afternoon sessions, providing opportunities which include critical review of clinical scenarios emphasising person focused care and the interdisciplinary team along with consensus formation for the more advanced practitioners. These sessions will provide direct access to local leaders and several of the international speakers, providing a unique opportunity for forum attendees to spend time in smaller groups and discuss 'real' every day successes and challenges.

On registration to attend the forum/workshop delegates will be requested to indicate the years of experience in the wound management specialty. Two afternoon group sessions will be provided for which includes:

1. Standards, guidelines and clinical skills: the art and science of wound management
2. Forming consensus—practice recommendation to AWMA

By completing this information workshop organisers will allocate delegates to the most relevant group to ensure attendees are included in appropriate learning groups/activities.

Morning, afternoon tea and lunch is provided, with the program concluding 15 minutes prior to Welcome Drinks ceremony, and promises to provide a wonderful 'launching pad' into the conference proceedings.

This exciting day is one not to be missed, so register early as places are limited.

More detailed program will be available closer to the event.

The Pre Conference Workshop is not included in the Conference registration fee. If you wish to attend the Pre Conference Workshop, please register online or by submitting the registration form.

	Early Bird Registration Fee Before Thursday 1 December 2011	Standard Registration Fee After Thursday 1 December 2011
Member Pre Conference Workshop Registration	A\$130.00	A\$150.00
Non Member Pre Conference Workshop Registration	A\$170.00	A\$190.00



AWMA 2012 PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Preliminary program - current as of 12 September 2011

	Sunday 18 March	Monday 19 March	Tuesday 20 March	Wednesday 21 March		
			Breakfast Sessions Topics to be confirmed. Check www.awma2012.com website for regular updates.			
			Breakfast Session 1 <i>sponsored by Mölnlycke Health Care</i> Breakfast session 2 <i>sponsored by 3M</i>			
0800	Workshops (Optional)	Opening Ceremony	Plenary Session	Plenary Session	0800	
0830					0830	
0900			Plenary Session and Panel Discussion	Concurrent Sessions	Concurrent Sessions	0900
0930						0930
1000						1000
1030						1030
1100			Morning Tea	Morning Tea	Morning Tea	1100
1130			Concurrent Sessions	Concurrent Sessions	Plenary Session	1130
1200						1200
1230						1230
1300			Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	1300
1330						1330
1400			Concurrent Sessions	Plenary Session	Concurrent Sessions	1400
1430						1430
1500		Afternoon Tea	Afternoon Tea	Afternoon Tea	1500	
1530					1530	
1600		Plenary Session	Concurrent Sessions	Expert Panel Awards Closing Ceremony	1600	
1630					1630	
1700	Welcome Drinks	AWMA AGM			1700	
1730					1730	
1800					1800	
1830					1830	
1900			Conference Dinner		1900	
1930					1930	
2000					2000	
2030					2030	
2100					2100	
2130					2130	
2200				2200		

Program outline subject to change.

Conference Companion

What is it?

A Conference Companion (CC) is a mentoring role where an experienced delegate attending the conference agrees to guide, advise and support a small group of participating delegates within nominated sessions of the AWMA 2012 Conference program.

Why have it?

Attending a large conference is exciting. However, if English is not your first language, you are attending a national conference for the first time, or you just feel you could benefit from some help and guidance to get the best out of your conference experience, then the friendly advice and support of a “seasoned” delegate, who “knows the ropes” may be what you need.

The Australian Wound Management Association 2012 Conference is the launching pad for the concept of the ‘Conference Companion’. A partnership between experienced delegates and those attendees seeking a guiding hand. The Companion process demonstrates the attributes of inclusiveness, friendliness and mentorship, ensuring that each participant can conclude the meeting having had their expectations exceeded.

Who is a CC?

The CC is an individual who has extensive experience within the specialty of wound management and who has attended and taken part in numerous national and international conferences. The CC conducts this role in a voluntary capacity to enhance the participating delegate’s conference experience.

The activities the Conference Companion initiative is likely to include:

1. Assisting an attendee to establish their learning needs for the relevant program session.
2. Designing a plan of action in order to select the combination of plenary and concurrent session discussions that best meets the defined learning needs.

3. Co-ordinating opportunities for poster presentations and trade visitations so that information obtained is consistent with the goals identified for the session.
4. Introducing attendees to a delegate’s peers or to known persons most likely to assist in the attendee’s defined learning process [includes utilising contacts in the product/trade industry].
5. Assisting the attendee with questions that may arise from the session. Providing occasion for clarification of current issues or controversies.

How will it work?

Each Conference day is configured of a morning and afternoon session. Experienced clinicians who are willing to assume the role of a Conference Companion may choose to nominate their preference for either a morning or afternoon session, on any one of the Conference days. The delegate may of course volunteer to make themselves available for more than one session.

Delegates and attendees participating in the Conference Companion scheme should meet adjacent to the Registration Desk at least 15 minutes prior to the commencement of a session. The Conference Companion Delegate will be identified by their lanyard and where possible, individuals will be matched by profession or practice context so that interaction and relevance is maximised.

Persons interested in participating in the Conference Companion scheme are invited to make their expression of interest known on the Conference registration document. Individuals will be requested to designate themselves as either a “Conference Companion – CC” or “Conference Companion Delegate – CCD”.

In appreciation for their time, energy and enthusiasm, Conference Companions will be presented with a certificate of appreciation from the Conference’s Organising Committee.

In 2000, Sydney held the “friendly Olympics” – officially the best ever. Welcome to our hosting of the Australian Wound Management Association Conference 2012, where the same spirit lives on.



General Information

Airport & Transport

The central business district is 10km north of the International Airport and takes approximately 20 minutes to reach by car. A taxi costs approximately A\$30. A regular airport to city bus service operates from approximately 0600 to 2100 hours (not recommended for those with large amounts of luggage). Any queries please see the Travellers Information Desk at the Airport.

Taxis: Taxis in Sydney operate under 2 pricing structures. From 0600 – 2200 hours the standard fare applies. On the left hand side of the taxi meter, above the word 'rate' you should see the number 1. From 2200 – 0600 hours, a 20% night tariff applies, at these times the meter should be set on rate 2. Please check the meter is set correctly when you begin your journey.

Trains: There is a train station located at both the Domestic and International Terminals at Sydney Airport. Trains run on average every 10 minutes during the day on a weekday and every 15 minutes during the day on weekends. From the Domestic Terminal, it takes 10 minutes to reach Central Station and 15 minutes to Circular Quay. From the International Terminal it takes a few minutes longer. Lifts are available at both the International and Domestic Terminals for the easy transfer of luggage. Fares from the Domestic Terminal to the City start at A\$15 per adult for a single journey. For further information on the service that the Airport Link provides, please see the following website: www.airportlink.com.au

Eating Out

Bistros, restaurants, cafes and coffee shops offer varied menus, prices and decor. Local specialties such as seafood and Australian wines are worth trying. At some restaurants you can keep the liquor bill down by taking your own wine or beer. These are called "BYO" restaurants, an abbreviation for "bring your own".

Parking

Parking is available at the conference venue and is located off Darling Drive, underneath the Centre's exhibition halls. The car park has disabled spots and disabled access to the venue. The Car Park is open 24 hours, Monday to Sunday.

Day time

0–1 hours	A\$8.00
1–2 hours	A\$16.00
2–3 hours	A\$24.00
3–4 hours	A\$29.00
4+ hours	A\$32.00

Privacy

Australia introduced the Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000 in 2001. The Conference Managers comply with such legislation which is designed to protect the right of the individual to privacy of their information. Information collected in respect of proposed participation in any aspect of the Conference will be only used for the purposes of planning and conduct of the Conference and may also be provided to the organising body or to organisers of future events. It is also usual to produce a 'Delegate List' of attendees at the Conference and to include the individual's details in such a list. Consent for publication of the individual's information may be withheld when completing the Registration Form for the Conference. Individuals are also entitled to access the information held by written application to the Conference Managers.

Shopping

Shops open from 0900 to 1730 hours during the week with late night shopping on Thursday. On Saturday, most shops open from 0900 to 1600. On Sunday Darling Harbour shops are open from 1000 to 1800 and major department stores in the centre of the city are open from 1000 to 1600.

Time

Sydney is 10 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

Tipping

Tipping is not as widespread or regulated in Australia as it is in other parts of the world. Tipping is your prerogative, a reward for service. It is customary to tip hotel porters and a gratuity of about 10 per cent is usual in restaurants if good service is received. Tips for taxis are regarded as optional.



Registration Information

Healthcare professionals and representatives from a range of fields will be attending the conference including:

- Nursing
- Medical
- Allied Health
- Academics with Academics, educators, researchers and scientists

Those who wish to attend the Conference are encouraged to complete the online Registration Form at www.awma2012.com

Please note that all persons intending to attend the Conference must register and pay the applicable registration fee.

Please note that the Welcome Drinks is only included in Full and Student Registrations.

Day Delegates are welcome to purchase additional tickets.

	Early Bird Registration Fee* Before Thursday 1 December 2011	Standard Registration Fee After Thursday 1 December 2011**
Member Full Registration	A\$695.00	A\$845.00
Non Member Full Registration	A\$895.00	A\$1045.00
Student Registration***	A\$595.00	A\$745.00
Member Day Registration	A\$375.00	A\$375.00
Non Member Day Registration	A\$425.00	A\$425.00

* To be entitled to the early bird registration fee you must have registered and paid by Thursday 1 December 2011

** Please note that registrations received after 9 March 2012 will incur additional fees.

*** Students are required to submit valid student identification.

Registration Entitlements

	Full and Student Registration	Day Registration (Entitlements on designated day(s) only)
All Sessions	✓	✓
Name Badge and Satchel	✓	✓
Official Documentation	✓	✓
Morning and Afternoon Teas	✓	✓
Lunch	✓	✓
Welcome Drinks	✓	

Entrance to the Conference

Each delegate will receive a name badge on registration. The name badge will be your official pass and must be clearly visible at all times to obtain entry to all sessions and to all included social functions. The Conference Managers expect appropriate behaviour from attendees and reserve the right to revoke the name badge and privileges of anyone behaving in an inappropriate manner.

Payment Information

Credit Card payments online

Online Registration is preferred. Please visit our secure website www.awma2012.com to register and book your accommodation in 'real time'. Please note all online registrations require immediate payment by credit card.

Accepted credit cards: MasterCard, Visa and American Express. All transactions by credit card will appear on your statement as payment to 'Conference by arinex'.

Please note that all credit card transactions will incur 2.5% surcharge on the total amount of each transaction.

Cheque

All payments by cheque incur an A\$10 processing fee.

Cheque payments will only be accepted up until 31 January 2012. After this date, all registrations and accommodation bookings must be submitted online with credit card details at www.awma2012.com

Cheques are to be made payable to AWMA 2012 Conference. Your name and full address should be typed or printed clearly on the back of the cheque. Cheque payments from overseas must be a bank cheque in Australian Dollars drawn on an Australian Bank. No other currency will be accepted.

Registration Acknowledgements

Your registration and payment will be acknowledged via email or post with confirmation of your requirements according to your registration form. Your registration will not be processed or confirmed if payment does not accompany your form.

You will not receive any further publications before the Conference. Your letter of acknowledgment will include any further advice necessary prior to your arrival at the Conference. At the Conference you will receive the final program, the book of published papers/Conference documentation and a list of delegates.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellations must be notified in writing to the Conference Managers.

Registration Fees:

- Cancellation on or before Friday 16 December 2011 will incur A\$100.00 cancellation fee.
- Cancellation before Monday 6 February 2012 will result in forfeiture of 50% of fees paid.
- There will be no refund on cancellations on and after Monday 6 February 2012.

Accommodation Fees:

A minimum one night's deposit must be paid or credit card details given at time of booking to guarantee reservation.

- Deposit is non-refundable at Tuesday 14 February 2012.

Social Function Fees:

- Payments are non-refundable at Monday 6 February 2012.

Social Program

Welcome Drinks

Date: Sunday 18 March 2012
Time: 1700–1800
Venue: Within Trade Exhibition, Hall 6
Dress: Smart Casual
Tickets: Inclusive to all full 3 day registrations. Additional tickets can be purchased at A\$65.00 per person

An invitation is extended to all delegates to attend the official Conference Welcome Drinks. This is an excellent opportunity to renew old friendships and make new acquaintances as we welcome you to Sydney with delicious canapés and refreshments. This event is included in the registration fee for full delegates.

Should you wish to purchase additional tickets, please indicate this on your registration form.

The Conference Dinner Cruise is not included in the registration fee for Delegates and Accompanying Persons. If you require tickets to these events please complete the relevant section of your Registration Form.

Disclaimer

The services specified in the social program are available at the time of writing. However, in the event that any service(s) become unavailable or minimum numbers are not met, the Conference Managers reserves the right to alter or cancel the event.

Conference Dinner Cruise

Date: Tuesday 20 March 2012
Time: 1900–2200 (boarding from 1845)
Venue: Cruising Sydney Harbour
Boarding: Convention Jetty—located outside the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre
Dress: Smart Casual
Tickets: A\$129.00 per person

The social highlight of the Australian Wound Management Association Conference 2012 will be a Sydney Harbour Dinner Cruise. Step aboard and enjoy Sydney's splendid harbour whilst enjoying drinks on the open deck, followed by a seated buffet meal accompanied by Australian wines.

If you would like to purchase tickets for yourself, a partner or guest, please complete the relevant section of your Registration Form.

This exciting event is not to be missed and places are limited, so purchase your ticket now!



Accommodation

The Conference Managers have negotiated competitive room rates with the below hotels for delegates.

Why book with the Conference Managers?

Competitive Room Rates

Flexibility—only 1 night cancellation fee, no charges for changing your booking and no charges for reducing your stay

Hotels

Single (SGL): A single occupancy room with one bed
 Double (DBL): A double occupancy room with one bed
 Twin (TWN): A double occupancy room with two beds

Apartments

Studio Apartment: King Bed or 2 Single Beds
 One Bedroom Apartment: Queen Bed
 Two Bedroom Apartment: Queen Bed or 2 Single Beds
 Please note bedding configurations are subject to hotel availability

Star Rating	Walking time to Conference Venue	Hotel	Room Type	Room Only Rate per room per night	Bed & Breakfast Rate per room per night
4.5	4 minute walk	Novotel Sydney on Darling Harbour	Pymont View Room SGL	A\$309.00	A\$329.00
			Pymont View Room DBL/TWN	A\$309.00	A\$349.00
			Harbour View Room SGL	A\$329.00	A\$349.00
			Harbour View Room DBL/TWN	A\$329.00	A\$369.00
3.5	5 minute walk	Hotel Ibis Darling Harbour	Pymont View Room SGL	A\$209.00	A\$224.00
			Pymont View Room DBL/TWN	A\$209.00	A\$239.00
			Harbour View Room SGL	A\$209.00	A\$244.00
			Harbour View Room DBL/TWN	A\$209.00	A\$259.00
4	5 minute walk	Oaks Goldsbrough Apartments	Studio Apartment	A\$179.00	NA
			One Bedroom Apartment	A\$197.00	NA
			Two Bedroom Apartment	A\$311.00	NA

Please Note:

- The above rates include the Australian Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- Rates may increase without notice due to changes in government charges, taxes or levies.
- Room only rates do not include breakfast.
- Bed and breakfast rates include full buffet breakfast
- A minimum one night's deposit must be paid or credit card details given at time of booking to guarantee reservation

(a) Group Bookings

If your organisation would like to make a group booking of 16 rooms or over please contact the Conference Managers. Our experienced staff are able to ensure all your group needs are met and your booking is managed efficiently.

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F +61 2 9267 5443
E awma2012@arinex.com.au

(b) Deposit

Rooms are being held by the Conference Managers on behalf of the attendees until **14 February 2012**. All hotel accommodation bookings must be accompanied by a minimum one night's room rate or credit card details in order to secure a reservation. The Conference Managers will accept accommodation deposits up until **14 February 2012** and will settle the deposit with the hotel. Attendees must settle the balance of their account with the hotel concerned upon check out.

Late bookings can be made through the Conference Managers after **14 February 2012** but are subject to availability and credit card details are required to secure the reservation. One night's room rate will be deducted from the supplied card, by the hotel, if the reservation is cancelled or the delegate fails to arrive on the specified date.

(c) How To Book Accommodation

To book complete the **Online Booking Form or Printed Booking Form**, the Conference Managers will forward your contact details, reservation and deposit or credit card details to the hotel of your choice.

(d) Change of Booking

Any change to a reservation must be notified to the Conference Managers and not directly to the hotel. Please note that any changes should be made to the Accommodation Managers by **29 February 2012**.

(e) Late Arrivals

Please indicate on your registration form or notify the Conference Managers in writing if you will arrive at your hotel after 1800 hours, failure to do so may mean that your room will be released.

(f) Check-in and Check-out times

Check-in time is generally 1500 and Check-out time is 1000. Should you wish to guarantee check-in before 1500 you will need to pre-book, and pay for the previous night. If you wish to guarantee a late checkout you will need to book for the next night. These additional nights can be booked at the time of making your reservation. If required please indicate on your registration form.

(g) Hotel Check in Procedures

As per standard hotel policies and procedures attendees will be required to provide a credit card or full cash payment upon check in. This is to cover any incidental charges incurred during your stay and all remaining unpaid room nights, regardless if your booking was guaranteed by a deposit to secure your booking.

The hotel will hold on your credit card, until point of check out, all unpaid accommodation nights reserved plus a daily amount for incidental charges. If you will be settling your accommodation account by cash you will be asked to pre pay for your accommodation in full plus a cash deposit for incidentals. Should you not utilise any incidentals during your stay the cash deposit, for incidentals only, will be refunded to you by the hotel upon check out. Please note the daily incidental charge may vary across the listed hotels.

Please note the hotels may apply a credit card surcharge if you choose to settle your account with your credit card.

(h) Accommodation Cancellation Policy

The deposit is non-refundable at **14 February 2012** and will be forfeited if you do not arrive on the date for which you have booked or you cancel your accommodation. Cancellations must be made in writing to the Conference Managers.

For all bookings that have been paid in full. Please note if you do not arrive at the hotel on the specified date the hotel will hold the room for each paid night and all monies will be retained by the hotel.

Conference Managers

For any questions conferencing the Conference and Registration please contact the Conference Managers on:

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REGISTRATION FORM

Australian Wound Management Association Conference 2012

18–21 March 2012 Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre



The information submitted will be used for all mailings. Please ensure the information you complete is correct.

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Online Registration is preferred. Please visit our secure website www.awma2012.com to register.
- This registration form should be sent by **post** to the AWMA 2012 Conference Managers at **arinex pty limited** GPO Box 128 Sydney NSW 2001 and must be accompanied with full payment in order for your registration to be processed and confirmed.
- Cheque payments will only be accepted up until **31 January 2012**. After this date, all registrations (including accommodation bookings) must be submitted with credit card details at www.awma2012.com
- Cheques must be made payable to **AWMA 2012 Conference**. Your name and full address should be typed or printed clearly on the back of the cheque. Cheque payments from overseas must be drawn in Australian Dollars drawn on an Australian Bank. No other currency will be accepted.
- All cheque payments will incur a A\$10 processing fee.
- All credit card payments will incur a 2.5% charge on each transaction.
- You may **not** pay your fees by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).
- Please refer to the website for full terms and conditions.

A. DELEGATE

TITLE	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Dr <input type="checkbox"/> Prof <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (please tick)	
FAMILY NAME		
GIVEN NAME		
ORGANISATION		
POSITION		
POSTAL ADDRESS		
CITY/SUBURB		
STATE		POSTCODE
COUNTRY		
TELEPHONE		
MOBILE PHONE		
FAX		
EMAIL		
PREFERRED NAME ON NAME BADGE		

D. ACCOMMODATION

A minimum one night's deposit must be paid or credit card details must be given at time of booking to secure your reservation. Bookings made on or after 14 February 2011 must be secured with credit card details.

HOTEL AND DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS

Star Rating	Hotel	Room Type	Room Only Rate per room per night	Room & Breakfast Rate per room per night	Number of nights required	Deposit
4.5	Novotel Sydney on Darling Harbour	Pyrmont View Room SGL	A\$309.00	A\$329.00		
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4.5	Oaks Goldsborough Apartments Darling Harbour	Studio Room	A\$179.00	NA		
		1 Bedroom Apartment	A\$197.00	NA		
		2 Bedroom Apartment	A\$311.00	NA		

Hotel Room Requirements Single Twin Double

Please indicate below whether you wish to pay for your entire stay:

- Yes, I wish to pay for my entire stay now
 No, I only wish to pay the one night's deposit now

If your first preference of hotel, as indicated above, is not available, the Conference Managers will secure your accommodation at another hotel.

Please indicate your second preference: **Second preference** _____

B. REGISTRATION FEES

NOTE: All fees include the 10% Goods and Services Tax (GST).

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Member Day Registration	A\$375.00	A\$375.00
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If you are registering for a day, please tick which day you will be attending:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday

B. Sub-Total Registration Fee: A\$

C. PRE CONFERENCE WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FEES

NOTE: All fees include the 10% Goods and Services Tax (GST).

	Early Bird Registration Fee Before Thursday 1 December 2011	Standard Registration Fee After Thursday 1 December 2011
Member Pre Conference Workshop Registration	A\$130.00	A\$150.00
Non Member Pre Conference Workshop Registration	A\$170.00	A\$190.00

C. Sub-Total Pre Conference Workshop Fee: A\$



