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IN THE NEWS | CSANZ members welcomed as Fellows AAHMS



Congratulations to Prof Clara Chow AM and Prof Julie Redfern who have been made Fellows of the Australian Academy of Health and Medical Sciences (AAHMS) in 2023.

Clara has been recognised as "*An innovator in cardiovascular disease prevention and care, ...shaping the discourse on workforce diversity ... and the impact of diversity and equity on cardiovascular health.*" [View acknowledgement here on AAHMS on X Twitter](#)

Julie Redfern in recognition of "*identifying gaps in secondary prevention of heart disease ...*" [Link to acknowledgement on AAHMS on X Twitter](#)

MBS Changes to Leadless Cardiac Pacemaker items | 1 Nov 2023

Subject to the passage of legislation, on 1 November 2023, four new MBS items (38372, 38373, 38374, 38375) will be introduced, and one item (90300) amended for the insertion, replacement, or removal of a leadless permanent cardiac pacemaker (LPM) for the treatment of patients with bradyarrhythmia.

Billing practices from 1 November 2023 will need to be adjusted to reflect these changes.



[See the fact sheet](#)

[Download files](#)

[See MBS News for all changes](#)

Next FIT Heart School Webinar | 22 Nov | 7:00pm (AEDT)

The next **CSANZ Heart School Webinar Series** will be on **Wednesday 22 November** from **7pm (AEDT)**.

Dr Felicity Lee, from the Advanced Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant Unit, Fiona Stanley Hospital, will be presenting "**LVAD Emergencies after hours – an approach for your on-call**" and chaired by Dr Nestor Gahungu.



The session will run for around 1 hour, comprising a presentation of approximately 50 minutes and 10 minutes Q&A.

Registration is essential, [please click here to register and receive the Zoom details](#).

Have you missed a previous FIT webinar?

[Go to the CSANZ Education page to catch up](#) (member login required).

Heart, Lung and Circulation (HLC) | Highlights in next edition

These highlights and more are available online now and will be compiled in the upcoming October 2023 edition of *Heart, Lung and Circulation* (available online soon).

[Does Australia need Cardiogenic Shock Teams?](#)

Cardiogenic shock is the most common cause of death following acute myocardial

infarction, with in-hospital mortality rates of 40%. In their narrative review, Kruit and colleagues discuss the rationales, evidence for and a proposed structure for an in-hospital cardiogenic shock or “heart” team that manages cardiogenic shock via an agreed protocol, including agreed referral pathways. They say the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF-funded Evaluation of a Standardised Clinical Pathway to improve Equity and outcomes in Cardiogenic Shock (ESCAPE-CS) trial may assist in the process of answering many of the questions around management, transfer timings and cost of care.

[https://www.heartlungcirc.org/article/S1443-9506\(23\)04325-1/fulltext](https://www.heartlungcirc.org/article/S1443-9506(23)04325-1/fulltext)



What's happening with Long-COVID Care?

Australia is likely to have a case burden of upwards of 300,000 people with long-COVID, say Seeley et al. In a Letter to the Editor, they report their cross-sectional online survey of participants (227; about 90% female) with long-COVID. Recruited via social media earlier this year (2023), many had experienced autonomic dysfunction, with about half eventually diagnosed with postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome (POTS). However, getting a diagnosis and accessing care was difficult. Further, half had not been able to return to work or education since developing long-COVID. Seeley et al. support calls for innovative health care solutions for people with long-COVID, with special attention to the diagnosis and management of autonomic dysfunction.

[https://www.heartlungcirc.org/article/S1443-9506\(23\)04311-1/fulltext](https://www.heartlungcirc.org/article/S1443-9506(23)04311-1/fulltext)

Who Wants a Career in Cardiology?

Commonly identified, perceived barriers to wanting to pursue cardiology as a career include (in order): poor work–life balance; the physician training and examination process; and the lack of flexibility and on–call requirements — with no difference between men and women. These were among the key findings of Perera et al.'s anonymous, online survey in May 2019, which analysed responses from 127 medical students from three universities in Victoria. They say that if the cardiology profession wishes to attract the best candidates, it must acknowledge that today's medical students value work–life balance as a critical factor in deciding on a career.

[https://www.heartlungcirc.org/article/S1443-9506\(23\)00524-3/fulltext](https://www.heartlungcirc.org/article/S1443-9506(23)00524-3/fulltext)

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LIVE PANEL | Managing CVD with Obesity | Outcomes from the AHA Scientific Sessions 2023

ADS will host an exciting virtual event. Join the experts, including Prof John Atherton, A/Prof Sarah Glastras, A/Prof Samantha Hocking, Prof Stephen Nicholls and Prof Sophia Zoungas for a Live Panel Discussion on **Monday 13 November 2023 from 7.00pm - 8.00pm (AEDT)**.

Discussion will cover the outcomes of the **2023 AHA Scientific Sessions** in relation to managing cardiovascular disease in people living with obesity, plus a review of the trial results presented at the AHA Meeting. [Download the flyer for full details here](#)

2023 Virtual Lead Extraction Experts | 20 OCT 2023 | 7AM ET

2023 Virtual Lead Extraction Experts Meeting (VLEEM 2023) will be held tomorrow, 20 October, 2023 from 7am US Eastern Time.

Key Presenters:

Prof Chris Stark (Germany), A/Prof Nigel Lever (NZ)

Bringing experts together to present and discuss the current challenges and newest techniques in lead extraction. Targeting physicians and fellows currently performing or interested in beginning a lead extraction program.

Registrants will have access to a recording of the live meeting if unable to attend.

[See the Program Here](#) [Register here](#)

Latest Device Alerts

[Boston Scientific Emblem™ S-ICD on LATITUDE remote monitoring system \(October 2023\)](#)

- *Software issue which can lead to loss of device sensing.*

Device: EMBLEM S-ICD Model A209 and EMBLEM MRI S-ICD A219

TGA Reference: RC-2023-RN-00850-1

[Download ANZCDACC Product Hazard Alert](#) (pdf)

Research Reviews

[Heart Failure Practice Review: Issue 1](#), with commentary by Prof Andrew Coats.

A new Practice Review for Heart Failure, bringing updates and new treatment guidelines, changes to medicines reimbursement and licensing, educational and professional body news plus COVID-19 resources for cardiologists.

[Cardiology Practice Review: Issue 31](#), with commentary by Dr Janette Tenne.

 **[Cardiology Watch 8 - The role of GLP1 agonists in treatment and prevention of CV disease](#)** presented by A/Prof John Amerena.

Career Opportunities

AUSTRALIA

[Cardiologist \(Non-Invasive\)](#) – Albury, NSW

[Staff Specialist/Senior Specialist in Cardiology, Electrophysiology](#) – Canberra, ACT

[Staff Specialist, Cardiac Surgeon](#) – Townsville, QLD

NEW ZEALAND

[Clinical Cardiac Physiologist](#) - Taranaki

[Echocardiography Fellow](#) – Auckland

[Interventional Cardiologist](#) – Auckland

INTERNATIONAL

[Assistant Professor of BioMedical Sciences, Cardiovascular and Renal Science](#) – Canada

[Postdoctoral position](#) – Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, USA

[See all the available opportunities
on the **CSANZ Website**](#)

Upcoming Events

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

2023 QLD Lipid Meeting | 20-21 Oct 2023 | The Westin, Brisbane

Join a distinguished faculty of national and international speakers on the latest updates in lipid management. This meeting is independently led by the QLD Lipidology Working group, co-chaired by A/Prof Karam Kostner and A/Prof David Colquhoun.

[Download the agenda and invitation to register here](#)

CSANZ QLD Annual Meeting 2023 | 28 OCT 2023 | Brisbane 8.30AM - 5.30PM

The CSANZ Queensland Annual Meeting (incorporating the Case of the Year) will be held at the Stamford Plaza, Brisbane on Saturday 28th October 2023 from 8.30am - 5.30pm followed by networking drinks and canapes.

[See the program here for more information.](#)

RSVP is essential to info@csanz.edu.au

CSANZ WA Annual General Meeting | 22 NOV 2023 | Perth 6.30PM

The CSANZ WA Annual General Meeting is held in collaboration with the John O'Shea Oration (hosted by the Freemantle Heart Institute) The event will start at 6.30pm at the UWA Club on Wednesday 22 November 2023.

International speaker, Prof John Deanfield, University College London, speaking on coronary artery disease in adolescents.

[Download the invitation flyer here for more information.](#)

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ANZSCTS ASM 2023 | 9 - 11 NOV 2023 | WELLINGTON NZ

An engaging speaker line-up has been confirmed with an exciting program encompassing a range of current topics with interactive workshops. See the link below for more about the ANZSCTS Trainees Day as well as the Nurse and Allied Health Education Day. International and local faculty will be supporting these workshop sessions.

[Preliminary Program is now online](#) [Read more and register now](#)

INTERNATIONAL

AHA | 10 - 13 NOVEMBER 2023 | PHILADELPHIA

Join our US Colleagues for the best cardiovascular health meeting of the year! Register today for #AHA23 to get the best pricing and hotel choices.

[Read more and register here](#)

Visit the [CSANZ Events Calendar](#) to view more for 2024!

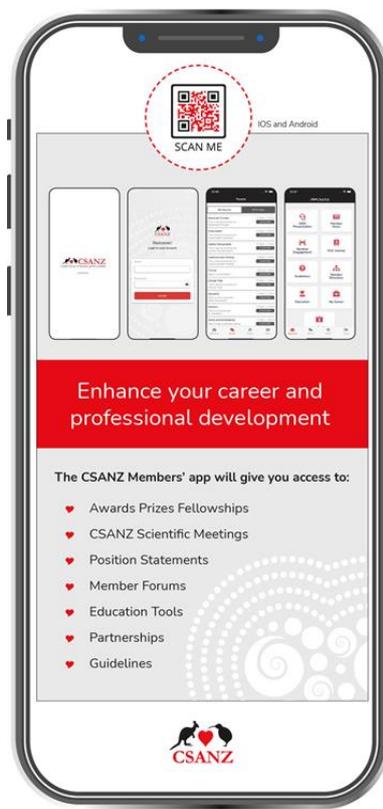
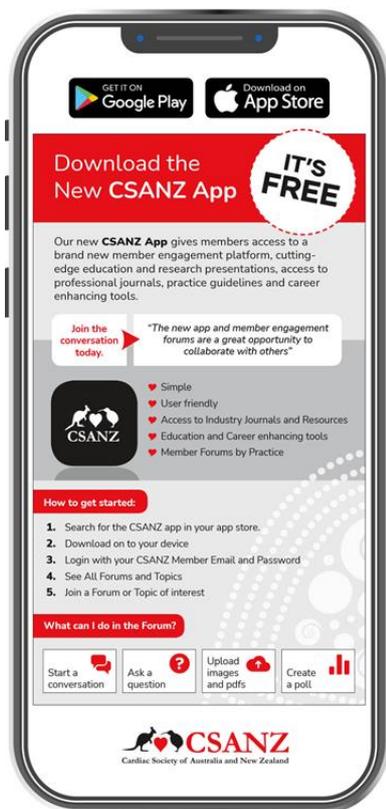
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