



eNews

Welcome to our new members of the CSANZ Team!



Julianne James-Smith
CSANZ
Executive Officer



Emma Richards
CSANZ
Program Manager

Introducing Julianne James-Smith, the new Executive Officer for the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand.

Julianne originally comes from an environmental engineering background, she has a degree in Chemical and Environmental Engineering from the University of Queensland, and a Masters in Engineering (Research) from the University of Adelaide.

Julianne brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in organisational management, strategic thinking and analytic program management, with strong business acumen and leadership skills, vast experience in advocacy and stakeholder relationships across both public and private health practice and the environmental space.

Emma Richards, Program Manager, CSANZ

We are also excited to welcome Emma Richards to the team, Emma originally comes from an Allied Health background, however her most recent role was Clinical Education Manager and Associate lecturer at the University of Technology Sydney.

Emma will be working on program initiatives with the Education Committee; the Advanced Training Committee; and the Equity, Diversity and Culture Committee; and the Indigenous Health Council.

Both have hit the ground running and are getting up to speed with all the myriad of components that makes up our Cardiac Society.

We hope you will join with us to wish them well.

CSANZ 2024 & ANZET 2024 | 1 - 4 AUG 2024 | PERTH WA



Submit your abstracts now!

CSANZ 2024

ANZET 2024

New and amended PBS listings implemented on 1 Dec 2023

Update to Safety Net Early Supply Rule for 60-day prescriptions of PBS medicines.

Following the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee's recommendation, from 1 December 2023, the PBS Safety Net early supply rule will be updated to a 50 day interval (currently 20 days) to discourage stockpiling and reduce the quantity of unused medicines in the community.

The early supply interval for the following 3 items will be updated on 1 January 2024:

- 13550E / nicorandil 10 mg tablet, 60
- 13551F / nicorandil 20 mg tablet, 60
- 13552G / moxonidine 400 microgram tablet, 30

Changes to Online PBS Authorities system

When you use the Services Australia Online PBS Authority system, you will notice changes to the way the system looks and performs - it has improved functionality with the latest updates being made in December 2023. For more information about the Online PBS Authorities system visit

www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/hppbsauthorities

Revised CTCA Training Guidelines

Over the last 12 months the Parent Bodies and Conjoint Committee for CTCA Training Guidelines have reviewed and approved changes to the requirements for CTCA recognition.

The changes come into effect on 1 July 2024 and can be found on the [CTCA Recognition of Training Guidelines website](#).

A separate email will be sent to you confirming when these changes apply to you. If you have any queries you may have after checking the website, please contact ctca@ranzcr.edu.au

International Travelling Fellowships are now open

The international Travelling Fellowships are intended to provide an opportunity for young investigators in the early stage of their research career to present at the American, European and Asian Scientific Sessions.

NB: some criteria as changed for 2024 Travelling Fellowships.

Applicants:

- must be **current financial CSANZ members** at the time of application and have been a **CSANZ member for at least one year** by application close by date.
- must be **no more than five years** post their most **recent post graduate qualification**.
- must already **had an abstract accepted** for presentation at the Scientific Session.

Preference is given to those attending their first Scientific Session.

Detailed information on full eligibility requirements, and how to apply can be found on the links below:



American College of
Cardiology (ACC) - Atlanta
Georgia, US 6 - 8 April 2024



International Society for
Heart Lung Transplantation
(ISHLT) - Prague, Czech
Republic 10 - 13 April 2024

[READ MORE HERE ABOUT
OTHER CSANZ PRIZES
AND SCHOLARSHIPS](#)

CSANZ FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING



The 2024 Port Douglas Heart Meeting & Expo early bird registration is now open.

The Convenor, Dr Stephen Fenton, warmly invites you to register for the 2024 Port Douglas Heart Meeting & Expo, 5-8 June 2024 at the Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort, Port Douglas.

A special invitation is extended to all fellows-in-training with the offer of **50 complimentary FIT registrations on a first come basis**. The complimentary registration type will be found under the Affiliate registrations and will show as 'full' once 50 registrations have been exhausted.

If you miss out on one of the complimentary registrations, we encourage you to register under the **Affiliate Early Bird registration** type. The early bird rate is available until January 31.

2024 ESC European Exam in Core Cardiology (EECC)

CSANZ is facilitating the 2024 ESC European Exam in Core Cardiology (EECC) for Australian and New Zealand cardiology advanced trainees.



2024 European Examination in Core Cardiology

The EECC will be held online on Tuesday, 18 June 2024.

The exam is aimed at third year trainees however, second year trainees may also sit the exam. Participation in the exam is completely voluntary and the results do not have any bearing on the completion of your training or obtaining the FRACP.

The course provides key content that has been specifically selected from within the ESC Education section and ESC365 including webinars, congress presentations, ESC guidelines, relevant clinical studies etc. In addition, the course includes a mock exam for candidates to practice using the examination software.

To register to sit the exam, please complete and return the linked registration form no later than Friday, 27 February, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the exam, please don't hesitate to contact the CSANZ Secretariat on +61 2 9226 7900 or email: info@csanz.edu.au

National Cardiac Registry – Scoring runs for Australia!



Photo from the NCR Company Workshop October 2023. (L to R) Prof John Atherton CSANZ Nominated NCR Director, Prof Stephen Nicholls CSANZ President, Dr James Leitch Chairman NCR Board, Dr Emily Granger President ANZSCTS and ANZSCTS Nominated NCR Director A/Prof Andrew Cochrane.

The National Cardiac Registry (NCR) is a Clinical Quality Registry established in 2019 to **record information on cardiac procedures and devices**, aiming to drive better healthcare outcomes for all Australians. With the combined support of CSANZ and ANZSCTS, the NCR is in good stead to drive the increase of PCI hospital participation and to include cardiac rhythm device implantation in the NCR.

Dr James Leitch, an electrophysiologist and former head of department at John Hunter Hospital, NSW, was appointed **Chair of the NCR board** in October 2023.

Dr Jeffrey Lefkovits, NCR Steering Committee Chair said “*Jim is a fantastic addition to the board, his experience and expertise in pacing and electrophysiology will be instrumental in achieving the NCR's ambitious growth goals. We look forward to working with him*”.

The **NCR Annual Report will be published early in 2024** and will provide insights into performance and outcomes of PCI procedures... the greater the participation the more meaningful this dataset becomes. Thus throughout 2024, the National Cardiac Registry will approach **PCI performing hospitals** not currently contributing data to the NCR and seek their **expressions of interest to participate**. Notwithstanding, interested clinicians are encouraged to get in touch to discuss how they may provide data to the NCR, and explore benefits of participating. For more information visit www.nationalcardiacregistry.org.au

SURVEY : Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinic (RACC) National Survey

If you are involved in RACCs, you are invited to participate in a national survey of RACC clinicians to scope existing practices across Australia.

The aim is to share learnings and provide opportunities to develop our knowledge and capacity in delivering RACCs.

This survey will take about 15 minutes to complete.

Start Survey at the link below:



<https://redcap.ohmr.health.nsw.gov.au/surveys/?s=TCJ8JTWLRRJFNRLC>

If you have difficulty filling in the survey, or would prefer a hardcopy or a meeting/interview style format, we can also facilitate this.

Contact Dr Kenneth Cho via email: kenneth.cho1@health.nsw.gov.au

Inaugural ANZ Cardiac Devices Masterclass for Allied Professionals and Nurses



Following on from the successful inaugural ANZ Cardiac Devices Masterclass for Implanters in October, last weekend saw the inaugural ANZ Cardiac Devices Masterclass for Allied Professionals and Nurses. Led again by Dr Gareth Wynn and Prof Alistair Royse, this unique collaboration between the University of Melbourne's Mobile Learning Unit, CSANZ and PiCSA (Professionals in Cardiac Sciences Australia) brought together Cardiac physiologists and Nurses from across the country for a day combining didactic talks, group discussions and practical stations.

Topics covered ranged from optimising rate response algorithms to making difficult end of life decisions and managing device advisories and had a particular environmental impact focus including a talk on Sustainability in the Cath lab.

Feedback from both Masterclasses has been very positive and dates for next year's events will be confirmed in the New Year!

Research Reviews

Cardiology Research Review: Issue 159, with commentary by A/Prof John Amerena.

Find all the latest Research Reviews in **Notice Board** on the CSANZ Member News page (login required)

Upcoming Events

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

4CC | 16 - 17 FEBRUARY 2024 | MELBOURNE, VIC

The focus of 4C Cardiology 2024 will be on high-level updates, debates, hot topics and future research directions in four key areas of cardiovascular medicine.

[Submit your abstract](#) [Read more and register](#)

INTERNATIONAL SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST & SPORTS SYMPOSIUM | 1 - 3 MARCH 2024 | LORNE, VIC

Note for the Diary - details for registration will be available soon.

INTRO TO CARDIAC MR | 23 - 24 MARCH 2024 | GOLD COAST, QLD

Designed to provide introductory knowledge in cardiac MRI, this course will cover the indications for, and capabilities of, cardiac MR. CPD points will be awarded for attendance.

[Register your interest here](#) and further details will be sent to you directly.

ICCG | 8 - 10 MAY 2024 | BRISBANE, QLD

[Call for Abstracts is now open](#) and will close on 28 February 2024.

Read more about the [International Speakers - here](#)

2024 HEART MEETING & EXPO | 5 - 8 JUNE 2024 | PORT DOUGLAS

Calling all clinical cardiologists, cardiac surgeons, advanced trainees and training fellows in cardiology, sonographers, trainee sonographers, cardiac technicians, cardiac nurses and other allied health professionals. [Read more and register](#) (see article above special offer for FIT registrations).

INTERNATIONAL

ADVANCED CARDIOLOGY INTERVENTION (ACI) | 31 JAN - 2 FEB 2024 | LONDON & FREE LIVE STREAM

Join the British Cardiovascular Intervention Society's (BCIS) flagship conference Advanced Cardiovascular Intervention (ACI) in London or stream **LIVE for free** - the ACI will have a hybrid setup with a live stream available to **watch on the BCIS ACI 2024 app for international delegates** [Read more about the program and register here.](#)

*** ACC.24 | 6- 8 APRIL 2024 | ATLANTA, GA & VIRTUAL**

If you've had an abstract accepted for this Meeting, don't forget to apply for the Travelling Fellowship available, special criteria applies [see more here](#)
[Plan your ACC.24 program here](#) [Read more and register here](#)

*** ISHLT 2024 | 9 - 13 APRIL 2024 | PRAGUE**

[Read more about the Scientific Program](#), which will highlight the multidisciplinary nature of ISHLT, showcasing the latest scientific advances and groundbreaking research presentations as well as symposia sessions on hot topics of interest.

[Registration opens January 2024](#)

APSC-ECS 2024 | 3 - 5 MAY 2024 | DUBAI

[Abstracts are open](#) for submission. [Read more and register](#)

HEART FAILURE 2024 | 11 - 14 MAY 2024 | LISBON

[Submit your Abstract or Clinical Case NOW!](#) Closing 11 Jan 2024.

The HFA Scientific Programme will feature exciting symposia, Guidelines in Practice sessions, as well as debates, Late-Breaking Science, clinical cases and original research.

*** DONT FORGET TO APPLY FOR THE INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS**

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

Career Opportunities

AUSTRALIA

[Cardiac Imaging Fellowship/Junior Consultant](#) – Hervey Bay & Bundaberg, QLD

[Staff Specialist in Cardiology](#) – John Hunter and Belmont Hospitals, Newcastle, NSW

[Cardiologist](#) – Toowoomba, QLD

[Electrophysiologist / Cardiologist](#) – Toowoomba, QLD

[Interventional Cardiologist](#) – Toowoomba, QLD

NEW ZEALAND

Professional Teaching Fellow in Cardiac Sonography – Auckland

Cardiologist – Wellington Regional Hospital

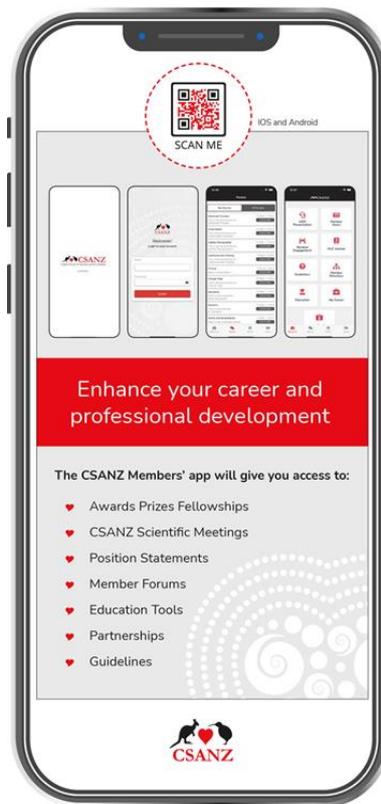
Interventional Cardiologist – Whangārei Hospital

See all the available opportunities
on the **CSANZ Website**

CSANZ IS NOW ON INSTAGRAM: Connect and join the conversation ...



- Tweet Us on [Twitter X](#)
- Like Us on [Facebook](#)
- Connect with CSANZ on [LinkedIn](#)
- Download [CSANZ App](#) on [IOS](#) or [Android](#) or scan the QR Code above
- **NOW Follow Us on [Instagram](#)**



JOIN US ON THE CSANZ APP

Scan the QR code

OR [Follow this link to download from:](#)

- [App Store for IOS users](#)
- [Google Play for Android](#)

It's simple to use, with all the CSANZ Resources at your fingertips!

“The CSANZ app opens so many opportunities to boost your career and collaborate with others.”

Disclaimer: You have been sent this e-mail as a member of CSANZ. The CSANZ provides the above information for the benefit of Members. Unless otherwise stated, CSANZ is not affiliated nor endorses the meetings or courses advertised.

© The Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand

[Edit your subscription](#) | [Unsubscribe](#)