



Interim Report Acute Pain SIG April 2010 for ACECC meeting

Meetings 2010

Inaugural Combined APS/ ANZCA/ FPM/ ASA/ NZSA/ NZPS ACUTE Pain Day Goldcoast 2010

This meeting was been very successful. The Acute Pain SIG did not contribute financially but members were main organizers together with nursing colleagues.

The meeting made a profit as numbers were better than the expected number with 226 registering. There was a combination of anaesthetists and nurses.

The APS has requested to run the meeting again next year in Darwin. Meridther Craigie has volunteered to lead the organizing committee. Hopefully the main work in building bridges between organizations has been done and should be less onerous to organize this time.

Below is summary of evaluation and requested topics for next time.

	1 = poor	2 = fair	3 = good	4 = very good	5 = excellent	Total	Average
Program			4	11	9	101	4.21
Quality of speakers			3	16	5	98	4.08
Overall organisation		1	3	9	11	102	4.25
Content & Structure		1	4	10	9	99	4.13
Venue			3	9	11	100	4.35
Registration fee		3	7	5	9	92	3.83
Catering		2	4	7	11	99	4.13
Topics to be presented at future workshops:	Assistance with education of pain management strategies to the graduate RN						
	Neonatal pain - the starting point						
	Use of Gene Therapy						
	Dose specific management						
	Case scenario presentations - problems with the acute pain and the outcomes						
	Common problems within the Acute Pain Service						
	Equi-analgesic calculation for step down from PCA/Infusions						
	"Enhanced recovery" after bowel resection surgery						
	Problem based learning - opioid tolerant patient						
	Use of opioids & alternatives on smooth muscle pain						
	Complementary therapies in acute/chronic pain						
	Regional analgesia						

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	Acute Pain in pregnancy - drugs effects on foetus
	Post-opp nausea and vomiting
	Drug dependant patients - apply to clinical area
	Strategies for management of side effects opioids/analgesics
	Guide to psychological management
	Paediatrics
	Cancer pain/palliative care - pain control eg. Nerve blocks
	Opioid conversions
	Drug "cocktails"
	Dangers of underdosing
Additional comments:	
	Chairs too close together
	Need stricter chairmanship - keep to time
	Excellent program
	Anxiety & depression segment - very 'robot' like, too quick, too absorbed
	Well managed
	Very informative, most enjoyable, great venue
	More panel discussion
	Would of liked more scenarios from K.. , she just read off her slides
	Not sure QST is that relevant to Acute Pain
	Scenarios from wealth of experience are great
	Third session was a waste of time
	Air conditioning far too cold

2. ACECC website

There was considerable discussion re the great benefit of the Acute Pain SIG e community. There are some deficiencies that the group would like to address. Of recent times the website has been unavailable from ANZCA site and that occurred without notification to the 120 National email members. It is hoped that this site can be further developed

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