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GENERAL SURGEONS**

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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GENERAL SURGERY MEETING**

1-2 NOVEMBER 2019

PULLMAN MELBOURNE ON THE PARK

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## CONVENER'S INVITATION

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to participate in The Alfred General Surgery Meeting, Practical Updates for General Surgeons to be held at the Pullman Melbourne on the Park from Friday 1 to Saturday 2 November 2019.

The organising committee have put together an outstanding program which should appeal to all general surgeons regardless of their subspecialties.

The meeting has been scheduled to enable delegates to go on to enjoy the long weekend in Melbourne.

We look forward to welcoming you once again to The Alfred General Surgery Meeting, Practical Updates for General Surgeons.



Kind Regards,  
Professor Jonathan Serpell FRACS  
CONVENER

## ORGANISING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Professor Jonathan Serpell FRACS

Mr Paul Burton FRACS

Mr Richard Chen FRACS

Mr James Lee FRACS

Dr Satish Warriar FRACS

## DATE

Friday 1 November – Saturday 2 November 2019

## VENUE

Pullman Melbourne on the Park  
192 Wellington Parade  
Melbourne VIC 3000

## WELCOME RECEPTION

Friday 1 November 2019, 5:00pm – 7:00pm  
Pullman Melbourne on the Park

Enjoy canapes and refreshments with your colleagues and the industry.

Tickets are included for registered delegates.

Additional tickets can be purchased for \$90.00 per person.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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250-290 Spring Street  
East Melbourne VIC 3002

## INVITED SPEAKERS

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



#### Associate Professor Amir Ghaferi

- Associate Professor of Surgery University of Michigan School of Medicine, USA
- Director, Michigan Bariatric Surgery Collaborative, USA

*Professor Ghaferi overlaps expertise and clinical practice across advanced laparoscopy, bariatric surgery and abdominal wall reconstruction, with unique research focusing on understanding the relationship of organisational systems and design to quality and efficiency.*



#### Professor Peter Sagar

- Professor of Colorectal Surgery, The University of Leeds, United Kingdom
- Consultant Surgeon, St James's University Hospital, Leeds, United Kingdom

*Professor Sagar has developed and maintains a national referral practice for the management of recurrent pelvic malignancy as well as having interests in laparoscopic colorectal surgery.*



#### Mr Jon Shenfine

- Consultant Oesophago-gastric Surgeon at Flinders Medical Centre, Adelaide
- Previously Consultant Oesophago-Gastric & General Surgeon, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom

*Mr Shenfine has extensive expertise and experience in complex oesophago-gastric surgery and the management of Upper Gastro-intestinal malignancies; as well as promoting awareness of oesophageal cancer.*

Plus, an extensive list of local faculty from The Alfred Hospital.

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Correct at the time of publication (March 2019), subject to change by the organising committee.

### FRIDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2019

#### **Breakfast Session: Meet the Professors: Peter Sagar, Amir Ghaferi, Jon Shenfine**

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 MEDICAL DEVICES COMPANIES

- Colon cancer controversies
- The problem of obesity in general surgical operations
- Gastric cancer: My approach to assessment and resection

#### **Session One: Really major problems!**

- Key manoeuvres in acute oesophageal and bariatric leaks
- I know what to do; but is my hospital equipped to rescue deteriorating patients?
- Major traumatic bleeding from the pelvis; where to start and how to pack the problem
- Acute severe pancreatitis: New concepts and algorithms... But, should you ever operate?
- Essentials of an Emergency Hartmann's Procedure

#### **Session Two: Meeting current and future standards of care**

- Lessons from public reporting: UK experience
- What is standard of care for Breast cancer in 2019?
- Less is more – new guidelines for thyroid cancer
- Where are we going with Robotic surgery? Upper GI and Colorectal viewpoints

#### **Session Three: Practical tips: Issues you don't have time to think about**

- Essential considerations in peri-operative medicine: Dealing with new anticoagulants and diabetic medications
- Techniques in advanced endoscopy: What you can do better and how a specialist endoscopist can help you
- Severe abdominal trauma: Interpreting the CT when decision making is urgent
- Shifting landscape: Major advances in immunotherapy and hormonal therapy for gastrointestinal malignancies and melanoma
- Tackling obesity and sugary drinks: What surgeons should be doing

#### **Session Four: Meeting major challenges and learning from mistakes**

- The google maps guide to preventing complications in thyroid surgery
- You are under scrutiny whether you like it or not! Why it is essential for surgeons to embrace clinical registries
- Strength in numbers: How can surgeons work together to improve outcomes
- This is more difficult than I thought! Umbilical hernia repair: Plug, patch or laparoscopy
- Mistakes to only make once in surgery

### SATURDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2019

#### **Breakfast Session: Fundamental techniques in bariatric surgery**

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 Further, Together

- Sleeve gastrectomy technique: Primary and revisional
- Intra-operative problems and difficulties
- Dealing with complications of adjustable gastric bands

#### **Session Five: The nitty gritty of surgical technique**

- Dealing with a difficult malignant pelvis
- The fascia won't come together! Options for reconstructing complex abdominal wall hernias
- Tips and tricks to make a laparoscopic anastomosis easier
- Retroperitoneoscopic Adrenalectomy: A step by step approach
- Mastectomy to facilitate reconstruction options

#### **Session Six: Dilemmas and difficult problems**

- Key considerations with elective and emergency hiatus hernias
- Updates on managing a perforated colonic diverticulum
- Para-stomal hernias: A challenging problem
- Intra-operative problems of gall bladder surgery: Getting yourself in and out of trouble



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## DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in BLOCK LETTERS)

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Preferred Name and State / Country (for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

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State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (professional): \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (All correspondence will be sent by email): \_\_\_\_\_

RACS ID Number (RACS Fellows provide ID for automatic allocation of CPD Points): \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark X in this box if you do not want your name and state/country circulated to delegates and industry.

### REGISTRATION (all prices in AUD and include GST)

	EARLY FEE <small>(Until 29 September)</small>	STANDARD FEE <small>(From 30 September)</small>	SUBTOTAL
<b>MEETING REGISTRATION (1 – 2 NOVEMBER 2019)</b>			
Surgeon	\$605.00	\$770.00	\$
Trainee / IMG / Other Health Professional	\$495.00	\$649.00	\$
Retired Surgeon	\$550.00		\$
Medical Student	\$385.00		\$
<b>WELCOME RECEPTION (1 NOVEMBER 2019)</b>			
Delegate	Complimentary <small>Tick if attending:</small> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Additional Ticket	\$90.00	Qty: _____	\$
<b>BREAKFAST SESSIONS</b>			
Friday 1 November: Meet the Professors	Complimentary <small>Tick if attending:</small> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Saturday 2 November: Fundamental techniques in bariatric surgery	Complimentary <small>Tick if attending:</small> <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$</b>

### DIETARY REQUIREMENTS (Please tick)

Vegetarian  Gluten Free  Lactose Free  Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT OPTIONS (Please tick)

- CREDIT CARD** – payment link will be emailed to you upon processing of your registration
- CHEQUE** – made payable to: Royal Australasian College of Surgeons

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