



adsna

AUSTRALIAN DAY SURGERY NURSES ASSOCIATION

DAY SURGERY AUSTRALIA

VOLUME 18 NUMBER 1 SEPTEMBER 2019

## Committee directory

### Committee

President: Claire Kennedy (WA)

Email [president@adsna.info](mailto:president@adsna.info)

Journal Editor: Tanya Bennett (NSW)

Email [journal\\_editor@adsna.info](mailto:journal_editor@adsna.info)

Treasurer: Jo Sligar (QLD)

Email [treasurer@adsna.info](mailto:treasurer@adsna.info)

Minute Secretary: Karen McMillan (QLD)

Email [secretary@adsna.info](mailto:secretary@adsna.info)

Conference Trade: Christine Guidotti (VIC)

Assistant Journal Editor: Natasha Pearce (SA)

E-Newsletter Editor: Natasha Pearce (SA)

Website: Nicole O'Brien (VIC)

Marketing: Penny Reed (WA)

Email [marketing@adsna.info](mailto:marketing@adsna.info)

### First State Representatives

NSW: Tanya Bennett

QLD: Jo Sligar

SA: Natasha Pearce

VIC: Nicole O'Brien

WA: Claire Kennedy

Mailing address

Australian Day Surgery Nurses Association Inc

PO Box 4862, Melbourne, VIC 3001

### Published twice a year by



10 Walters Drive, Osborne Park WA 6017

Tel (08) 6154 3911

Web [www.cambridgemedia.com.au](http://www.cambridgemedia.com.au)

Copy Editor Ceridwen Clocherty

Graphic Designer Gordon McDade

Advertising Sales Manager Simon Henriques

Email [simonh@cambridgemedia.com.au](mailto:simonh@cambridgemedia.com.au)



# Day Surgery Australia

Official journal of the  
Australian Day Surgery Nurses Association Inc

ISSN 1446-8999

September 2019

## Contents

Editorial	3
Managing acute anaphylaxis in a day surgery setting	4
Cutaneous melanoma: the basics (Part 2)	7
Minimal access surgery in ambulatory surgery	9
An intervention to improve confidence in nursing students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds: a pilot study	11
Information for authors	15

---

### Disclaimer

Views expressed in any article are those of the contributor and not necessarily those of the Australian Day Surgery Nurses Association Inc or the publishers, nor are the products advertised given the official backing of this Association.

Responsibility will not be accepted for the accuracy of any opinions, information, errors or omissions in this journal. Articles published in this journal are copyright, the copyright remains with the author. Anyone wishing to reprint articles must obtain written permission directly from the authors.

# Editorial

**Tanya Bennett • Journal Editor**

**Natasha Pearce • Assistant Journal Editor, E-Newsletter Editor**

Hello everyone,

Day surgery is usually uneventful, right? Our patients are admitted, have their procedures and go home without complication. What happens, however, if one of your patients experiences a rapid decline in clinical deterioration. Would you, your colleagues and your facility be able to manage a clinical emergency?

Marie Sheehan, DON and CEO at Colin Street Day Surgery in Perth presents a thought-provoking article on how her facility managed a patient with an acute anaphylaxis to a muscle relaxant on induction on anaesthesia.

Georgia Cairns and R Johnson bring us Part 2 of cutaneous melanoma, the basics. Following on from Part 1, this article will describe the relevance of the information contained in the histopathology report, the most relevant information to stage the disease, and the recommended surgical treatments.

We also bring you a pilot study from the University of South Australia researching how nursing students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are more likely to face challenges when communicating with patients in a healthcare setting.

Sadly, this is my last journal as editor as I am retiring from ADSNA at the AGM in November. It has been a wonderful learning opportunity and the friendships I have made will stay with me for a lifetime.

I will be handing over to Natasha Pearce, President of DSNA SA, who will do a great job.

Happy reading all.

**Tanya Bennett**  
**Journal Editor**

## Day Surgery Chair/Stretcher

 <p><b>CAREXIA FPVE</b> Versatile Treatment Chair</p>	<p>The Carexia is an electric versatile treatment chair which boasts a vibrant and sleek design.</p> <p>The Carexia can be used for blood sampling, examinations, chemotherapy or hemodialysis and post surgery patients.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">•••</p> <p>The Clavia LSA is 3 products in 1 (trolley, transport chair, bed ), perfect for ophthalmic surgery, stomatology, ENT, hand surgery, colonoscopy and gastroscopy.</p>	 <p><b>CLAVIA LSA</b> Stretcher-Bed</p>
--	--	--

## Patient Privacy

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KWICKSCREEN</b> <small>MAKING SPACES</small></p>  <p style="font-size: small;">marlinmedical hooked on healthcare</p>	<p>KwickScreens are portable, retractable, flexible partition screens which create private and dignified spaces, adaptable to multiple uses. There are 3 different models to choose from depending on your space. Contact us for more info.</p> <p>Disinfectant Fantex® HCAI Prevention Curtains are proven to kill a broad spectrum of harmful pathogens to 99.9% (log 3) in under 1 minute – making them an invaluable addition to the infection preventionist's toolkit.</p> <p>Available in various sizes and colours.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.marlinmedical.com.au info@marlinmedical.com.au</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ANTI-MICROBIAL</b> Curtains</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;"><b>fantex</b> Antimicrobial innovation in practice</p> 
--	--	--