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*President's*

**Report**

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# Welcome

## to April 2023 Journal No. 1

Getting back to normality somewhat, with workloads increasing, masks mandates reducing and less talk about the virus that has been inconveniencing us all the last few years.

Unfortunately COVID is continuing to hang around, so everyone stay safe.

2023 has started off well regarding SRACA NSW workshops, with a very successful workshop held in Canberra in March.

We have planned to have the same workshop ran in Tamworth in June.

With a new workshop topic already being organised for December in Sydney and then taking this workshop north and south again in 2024.

This is so we get these topics to as many members as possible.

FSRACA National conference in Melbourne 9-11th of August. Program is well on the way to being finalised, locking in some international speakers and hot topics we are all dealing with.

NSW SRACA has been giving away \$500 scholarships to cover the cost of registrations at our workshops. Congratulations to the members that have won thus far. Look forward to seeing you at the conference.

No doubt you would have all seen the second call for comments for the draft of the new Australian standard AS5369:2021, reprocessing of reusable medical devices & other devices in health & other related facilities. It was released late last year for Public comment and a second round is now underway. The second round closes early July so time is running out to have your say and input.

You would have noticed it has a new number no longer 4187 they have combined the office base 4815:2006 and 4187:2014 to create AS 5369:2021. I hope everyone has had a chance to read through the draft and put forwarded their responses in time.

Yours sincerely

**David Bellamy**

President of NSW SRACA

# Thanks to Migu

SRACA NSW would like to thank **Migu Matthew** who has been dedicated since 2011 serving as a committee member and taking on the role as membership coordinator.

We loved having Migu as a part of our team, his personal contribution and commitment to our organization with the accomplishment of setting up member jungle and his faithful ongoing support in the coordinators role.

On behalf of the members, committee members and especially myself I wanted to express our appreciation for your dedicated service and personal time to our committee. We wish the best in all future endeavours.



Wollongong Public Holiday

# Celebrates World CSSD Day

# LIVERPOOL QUALITY AWARD

Excellence in provision of non-clinical support services (HIGHLY COMMENDED)

## A Sustainable Approach - Thermal Disinfection To Recycle Personal Goggles

- Joyce Kenyon
- Rhonda Annetts
- Le Tran

The aim was to minimise healthcare waste and ensure the availability of disposable goggles for staff that are disinfected and available for reuse within 3 hours.

Thermal disinfection was identified as a solution and this resulted in an overall Liverpool Hospital reduction in spending of \$685 625 in the past two years.

Overall feedback regarding the Sterilisation Service Department and its effectiveness by staff and participating departments has been very positive.



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## WORKSHOPS

### Leadership Forum

Are you a SRACA member and a leader in the reprocessing environment? This is an opportunity to join with other leaders informally, and finally, face-to-face. Hear from one of our International guest speakers Sulisti Holmes, Head of Decontamination Scotland. Come along and discuss current and future challenges with your peers. Lunch will be provided.

### Masterclass

Are you a SRACA member? Start your conference experiences with a pre-conference lively interactive afternoon. This Masterclass is brought to you by three very passionate people with over 100 years in healthcare! Nicole, Trish and Alison are looking forward to sharing knowledge and engaging with your energy. Make your travel arrangements so you can be in Melbourne at Centrepiece to participate in this network building and development opportunity. Join us in exploring our unique roles in the heart of healthcare, contributing to infection prevent and control for the safe care of our patients and clients.

These workshops are open to FSRACA Full Members ONLY and numbers are strictly limited. If you have any questions about these workshops or registration, please feel free to email us [fsraca@thinkbusinessevents.com.au](mailto:fsraca@thinkbusinessevents.com.au)

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## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

### Why Attend?

Join us at the FSRACA National Conference, the must-attend event of the year! After a three-year hiatus, this conference is the perfect opportunity to reconnect and network with industry professionals and colleagues. Don't forget the rare chance to dine at the iconic MCG, a truly unforgettable experience and only \$35 with an early bird registration. Explore our extensive trade display and find exactly what you've been searching for, while also meeting face-to-face with your representatives and get the answers to your questions. See you there!

### Our speakers

- ✓ Reprocessing Challenges | Sulisti Holmes
- ✓ A Unique Position | Andrew Ellis
- ✓ Centrepiece AS / NZS 4187 v AS 5369 | Alison Stewart
- ✓ IP&C in Endoscopy | Di Jones

and so much more...

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### Workshops

#### Leadership Forum

Date: 9th August 2023

Time: 11:15am - 1:15pm

Venue: CENTREPIECE

Cost: \$60.00

#### Masterclass

Date: 9th August 2023

Time: 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Venue: CENTREPIECE

Cost: \$65.00



# Certificate III in **Sterilisation Services**

## Course structure and units

This course includes 14 units. Use the links below to go to your online learning resources for each unit.

BSBFLM312	Contribute to team effectiveness
BSBINM301	Organise workplace information
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
BSBADM311	Maintain business resources
HLTINF001	Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures
HLTSTE001	Clean and disinfect reusable medical devices
HLTSTE002	Inspect and pack reusable medical devices
HLTSTE003	Sterilise loads HLTSTE004 – Manage sterile stock
HLTSTE005	Care for reusable medical devices
HLTSTE006	Chemically disinfect reusable medical devices
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
HLTWHS005	Conduct manual tasks safely

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Expression of interest for The Sterilizing Industry

# APPLYING FOR A RESEARCH GRANT

Federation Sterilizing Research Advisory Council of Australia invite all financial members of SRACA to apply for a research grant of up to \$1400.00

## This package includes

- Information
- Guidelines
- Application form

You can request your package from your State Secretary, or download from your State or Federal website.

## Information

### Purpose

To provide financial assistance, to promote research and develop skills to ensure the sterilizing industry is contributing to quality patient care.

### Value

Maximum \$1,400.00

## Guideline

### 1. Selection criteria

Financial assistance will be considered for projects which would be relevant and beneficial to both the applicant and those involved in the field of sterilization.

### 2. Eligibility

- Highly developed written and oral skills
- State SRACA membership number and proof you are a current active member.

## 2. Eligibility (con.)

- Be a full member of a state SRACA and have been a member of a state SRACA for a minimum of two years immediately prior to submitting an application.
- Be currently employed in the field of sterilization and have been employed in the field of sterilization for a minimum of two years immediately prior to submitting an application
- Has attended SRACA meetings and educational activities during the two years immediately prior to submitting an application.
- Be actively involved in his/her state SRACA. Active involvement is considered to include but is not limited to:
  - Willingness to serve on SRACA committee or sub-committee
  - Promotion of SRACA activities
- Applicants shall submit information about any application for funding from an alternative source/s for the same purpose.
- Only one research grant will be awarded annually.

## 3. Application Guidelines

- Application forms are available from both FSRACA and SRACA State secretaries
- Applicants should submit a completed type written application form
- Comprehensive Curriculum Vitae, which show details of work and education qualifications.
- Full details of the project, including the objectives, the methodology of the research, the outcome and how the research can enhance sterilization and the estimated or actual budget.
- The proposed project must have commenced within 12 months from receipt of the research grant.
- Within four weeks of completing the research project the recipient will need to submit a type written report outlining the project
- The recipient of a FSRACA grant shall: Be prepared to speak on the funded project at FSRACA and/or SRACA meetings, conferences or workshops
- The report may be published in the "Sterilization in Australia" Journal or in an appropriate national professional Journal at the discretion of the editor.
- The recipient will submit progress reports to FSRACA if requested to do so.
- Papers and reports shall not be returned to the grant recipient by FSRACA committee.
- Projects involving human bioethics shall show proof of permission by the people and/or organization's concerned.
- The grant may fund all or part of the project
- The grant will be available only once to any individual.

## 4. Selection

- Completed application forms together with all supporting documentation shall be submitted to the Secretary of the state SRACA of which the applicant is a member, by 31 December each year.
- The state SRACA committee will determine whether eligibility requirements (as set out in this document) have been met.
- All applications will be forwarded by SRACA to the FSRACA Secretary together with a State committee recommendation.
- The applications shall be assessed at a meeting of the FSRACA committee.
- The decision of FSRACA committee shall be final and binding on all matters.
- Confidentiality of the selection process shall be upheld by all those involved.
- The names of successful applicants, together with an outline of project and funds granted, will be published in the minutes of FSRACA meeting.

## 5. Publication

Grant recipients shall retain copyright of all papers /reports submitted to FSRACA

## 6. Financial Considerations

- Applicant shall submit a statement of proposed expenditure for the proposed project.
- FSRACA committee reserves the right to cancel the grant and request return of any monies granted should the recipient fail to pursue the purpose for which the grant was awarded.

## 7. Alternative Funding

- FSRACA financial grants are conditioned upon the applicant informing FSRACA at any time should funding received exceed the total cost of the project.
- FSRACA committee reserves the right to request the return of monies over and above full funding.

## Application Form ( Applicant)

Title

Ms, Miss, Mrs, Mr., Dr  
(Please circle your title)

Surname

Given Name

Address

Email

Phone

Current Occupation

Years of experience

Amount of Funding requested

\$

I have/have not made application to alternative sources for funding YES / NO

If YES from whom and what support has been requested/granted

If funding is granted, I

agree to abide by the terms and Conditions of FSRACA "Guidelines for Financial Grants"

Signature

Date



## Application Form ( Office use only)

Received by

State SRACA Secretary on (Date)

State SRACA comments regarding eligibility (as per financial grant guidelines)

Signed

Position

Date

Received by FSRACA Secretary on

Date

Presented to FSRACA meeting on

Date

FSRACA Action:

Signed

Position

Date

Attachments

- Current SRACA Membership
- 2 x Professional Referees
- Budget Plan
- Curriculum Vitae
- Proposed Project

Applicant

1= Criteria not met  
5= Criteria fully met

## Application Form ( Criteria Rating Comment)

1. Documentary evidence. (Circle correct answer)

- Current membership and active member State group YES / NO
- Two relevant references supplied YES / NO
- Curriculum Vitae supplied YES / NO
- Project details YES / NO
- Budget Plan YES / NO

2. Essential Qualifications supplied YES / NO

3. Communication skills

- Written 1 , 2, 3, 4, 5
- Oral 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Summary

Approved / not approved (Circle the correct answer)

Amount granted

\$

Signature

Date



# CANBERRA WELCOME

On Wednesday 15th March, SRACA NSW was proud to facilitate an educational workshop to the dedicated Sterilization Technicians of Canberra and surrounding areas.

Twenty two delegates attended, and were eager to hear Julianne Schipelitti from Proline Medical deliver valuable education on the Decontamination of RMD's in CSSD. It was great to see delegates from a variety of Health Organisations and Local Health Districts.

Sub topics included: care of RMDs, washer disinfectors (chamber design, function, printouts, load configuration), chemistries, soil testing and general information on the maintenance of equipment, protein testing, quality management & barriers experienced by the CSSD.

The workshop was interactive with demonstrations of chemistry reactions to a variety of soil test samples and household products. It was fun and brought out the scientists in us all.

The weather was perfect and the venue looked after by the Raiders Belconnen Club. It was a great opportunity for networking, sharing experiences and general catching up after a long time of restrictions due to Covid.

Congratulations to our scholarship winners: Melinda Barden & Milan Froilan who will receive funding for registration to the FSRACA National Conference being hosted by SRACA VIC and held in Melbourne in August 2023.



**NEXT STOP**

**Decontamination of RMDs workshop**

**TAMWORTH**

**23RD JUNE 2023**

# TAMWORTH

# DECONTAMINATION

# OF RMDS WORKSHOP

## SRACA NSW MEMBERS WORKSHOP

Friday  
23rd June 2023  
8:30am registration  
TBA

**COST**  
Free for Financial SRACA  
Full Members OR \$55.00  
membership fee to attend

**TRADE**  
\$50.00 for Financial SRACA  
Associate Members OR  
\$100.00 for Non-Associate  
Members

**RSVP** 13th June 2023 to [Leanne Burns](mailto:lburnsie0308@gmail.com) : lburnsie0308@gmail.com

### Program

**8:30am** Registration - Coffee on arrival

**9:00am** Welcome

**9:10am** "DECONTAMINATION OF RMD'S IN CSSD"

For the ongoing education of sterilisation technicians working in the Decontamination area of Central Sterilising Departments. To enhance existing understanding of decontamination procedures and processes with specific focus on Washer Disinfector function and purpose, Chemistry, the use of Reverse Osmosis water, Load Configuration and Soil Testing.

**10:30am** Morning Tea

**12:30am** Lunch

**15:00am** Scholarships, Lucky Draw Prizes—Close

\*Two scholarships for full members to attend the FSRACA National Conference, to be held in Melbourne August 9th–11th 2023 will be awarded at this workshop.\*

Scholarships are not transferable, winners must be financial members and in attendance at the time of the draw.

\*\*New Members will be accepted on the day and are welcome to attend

## RSVP

Name of Attendee

Facility

Phone Contact

Email

Dietary Requirements



*NEW*  
**MAITLAND  
HOSPITAL**

Prepared by

**Anu V Chennamattam**

Health Service Manager | Sterilizing Services Unit  
Maitland Hospital



The \$470 million New Maitland hospital started its operation from 19th January 2022. The current location of the hospital is in Metford. It is a five story building with roof top Helipad to facilitate faster transfers for critical patients.

The new Maitland Hospital is a state-of-the-art facility, designed to meet the needs of the local community now and into the future. The Service Statement takes a long term view, reflecting what the facility will offer over a ten year period. While the majority of services and beds were opened on day one, additional services will be rolled out as the community grows and demand on the hospital increases. This incredible facility delivers a range of new and expanded services and has substantial capacity to expand in the future, ensuring the health needs of the community continue to be met.

Services provided at The Old Maitland Hospital were transferred to the new hospital. In addition to this, the new hospital also offers a wider range of services for the people of the Hunter. The current services include: Emergency services, Emergency Short Stay Unit (ESSU) and Psychiatric Emergency Care, Intensive Care and Critical Care units, Enhanced medical and surgical inpatient services, Peri operative suite, including enhanced day surgery, Maternity services and delivery suites, including assessment rooms, Paediatric and adolescent services, Expanded imaging and support services, including a cardiac catheterisation lab, Day chemotherapy, Mental Health, including an acute inpatient unit, Rehabilitation, Ambulatory care and outpatient clinics

To streamline patient care and enhance efficiency, more theatres and procedure rooms, along with increased recovery spaces have been added to new Maitland Hospital. Operating suites has ten theatres with two dedicated theatres for endoscopy inclusive. There is a separate Cardiac Catheterisation Lab adjacent to the day surgery procedure unit with its four recovery bed space.

# *STERILISING SERVICES UNIT (SSU)*

The Sterilising Services unit is responsible for cleaning, inspecting and assembling, sterilising and transporting all reusable medical devices (RMD) used in the hospital such as operating theatres, dental clinic, the delivery suit, gynaecology, paediatric, special care nursery, physiotherapy, outpatient, medical imaging and GP access clinic.

Our mission is to provide quality and efficient supply of sterile RMDs to various departments and wards on timely manner and contributing to a reduction in the incidence of hospital infection and maintaining track records of efficacy of cleaning, disinfection, sterilisation process, distribution and the use of RMDs on patients.

The design of the new SSU is set out to manage the work flow from dirty to clean and there would not be any back flow of sterile RMDs as per ASNZ 4187 standard. The current facility has the capacity to cater the demand of the entire hospital.

The SSU at Maitland hospital is situated in level two while theatres are in level one therefor, there are two separated lifts operated throughout to collect and transport dirty and sterile RMDs to and fro and case carts are in use to transport both used and sterile RMDs.



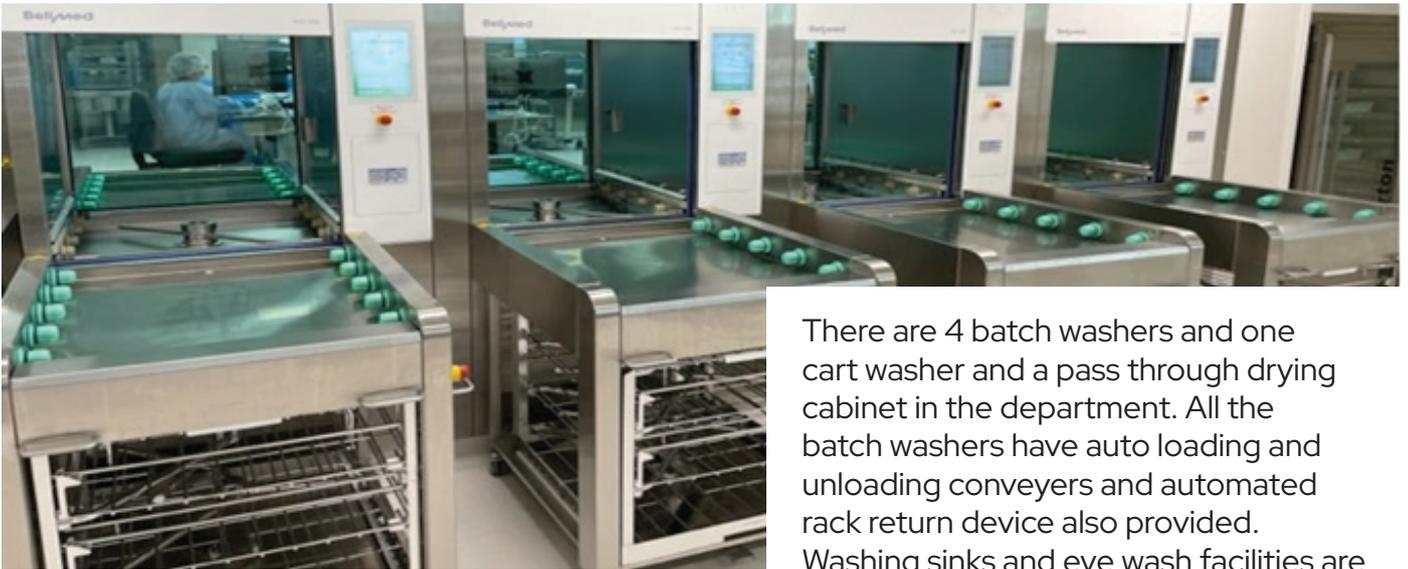
# *DECONTAMINATION AREA*

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There are 4 batch washers and one cart washer and a pass through drying cabinet in the department. All the batch washers have auto loading and unloading conveyers and automated rack return device also provided. Washing sinks and eye wash facilities are also provided for the staff.



Cart washer



# *LOAN RMDs PROCESSING AREA*

All RMDs from the loan companies are checked and transferred from the original shells to metal perforated trays and go straight to the decontamination area for reprocessing them. Implants are scanned and checked with RFID scanner and placed on the trolley ready for theatres as and when required.





# *INSPECTION AND ASSEMBLING AREA*

All packing tables are arranged in an order to establish a smooth flow of reprocessing RMDs and have sufficient room for staff movement alongside of the tables. . There are sufficient number of height adjustable packing tables with computer touch screens provided for the current demand and all tables have adequate shelving to keep all necessary packing materials handy for the use. There are designated area for inspecting, assembling and packing low temperature RMDs and a dedicated table for dental RMDs as well.





Low-temperature sterilisers



Two low temperature sterilisers and three steam sterilisers are in operation now and there is a provision for the fourth steam steriliser as future proof. Heat sealers, Insulation tester, Dental oiler, Air blower with cabinet are also provided.

## *STERILISATION AND DESPATCH AREA*



All sterilisers are pass-through and equipped with auto unloaders. There is sufficient room for keeping clean case carts and shelving is provided for keeping sterile stock for wards and other facilities. Once the sterile RMDs are ready to be delivered, they are loaded on to the case carts with supporting transport trays and deliver to destinations by SSU staff.

# AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION ON SAFETY AND QUALITY IN HEALTH CARE



## ADVISORY

TITLE	Reprocessing of reusable medical devices in health service organisations
Advisory number	AS18/07
Version number	9.0
TRIM number	D22-49827
Publication date	15 November 2022
Replaces	AS18/07 version 8.0 published 27 July 2021
Compliance with this advisory	It is mandatory for approved accrediting agencies to implement this advisory.
Information in this advisory applies to	All approved accrediting agencies All health service organisations
Key relationship	NSQHS Standards Preventing and Controlling Infections Standard
Attachment	n/a
Note	Updated timeframes for compliance
Responsible officer	Margaret Banks Director, National Standards Phone: 1800 304 056 Email: <a href="mailto:AdviceCentre@safetyandquality.gov.au">AdviceCentre@safetyandquality.gov.au</a>
To be reviewed	December 2024

# ADVISORY

## AS18/07: Reprocessing of reusable medical devices in health service organisations

### PURPOSE

To describe the minimum requirements for health service organisations' compliance with Action 3.17 (formerly Action 3.14 in the 2017 NSQHS Standards) to relevant national or international standards for reprocessing of reusable medical devices in health service organisations

### ISSUE

Action 3.17 of the 2021 amended National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards states:

Where reusable equipment, instruments and devices are used, the health service organisation has:

- a. Processes for reprocessing that are consistent with relevant national and international standards, in conjunction with manufacturers' guidelines
- b. A traceability process for critical and semi-critical equipment, instruments and devices that is capable of identifying
  - the patient
  - the procedure
  - the reusable equipment, instruments and devices that were used for the procedure.

The Australian Standard AS/NZS 4187 is the national standard commonly used by hospitals and day procedure services to meet the requirements in Action 3.17. Standards Australia released AS/NZS 4187:2014: Reprocessing of reusable medical devices in health service organisations in 2014 and it became operational in December 2016.

Standards Australia's AS/NZS 4815:2006 - Officebased health care facilities—Reprocessing of reusable medical and surgical instruments and equipment, and maintenance of the associated environment is commonly used in officebased practice. This standard is still operational and is not covered by this Advisory.

In response to concerns raised by health service organisations and state and territory health departments the Commission has reviewed the implementation of AS/NZS 4187:2014 and revised the compliance timeframe requirements. This revised Advisory specifies the minimum requirements needed to comply with Action 3.17 in the NSQHS Standards.

To comply with the requirements of Action 3.17 previous versions of this advisory have required health service organisations to:

- Complete a gap analysis against the requirements of AS/NZS 4187:2014 and develop a detailed implementation plan, however named.

## REQUIREMENTS

- The implementation plan should be finalised by 31 December 2023 and include:
- A strategy to identify and manage any current and emerging risks associated with the compliance gap(s)
- The timeframes and actions required to address the compliance gap(s) for:
  1. Segregation of clean and dirty activities
  2. Design of storage areas for sterile stock
  3. Replacement of AS/NZS 4187:2014 non-compliant cleaning, disinfecting and sterilising equipment
  4. Monitoring requirements for water quality
- Executive endorsement

By 31 December 2024, the Commission expects organisations to comply with relevant national or international standards for:

- effective segregation of clean and dirty activities
- storage of sterile stock in compliant shelving
- cleaning, disinfecting and sterilising equipment
- monitoring water quality

For health service organisations moving into new facilities, redeveloping facilities or with planned and funded redevelopment due for completion after 31 December 2024, extensions to these requirements can be sought from the Commission. These will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

- Extension submissions must include:
- Gap analysis and risk remediation documents
- Implementation plan including timelines
- Evidence of approval from the organisation's executive or governing body

As part of the submission process, regulator support will be sought. It is recommended applicants check licensing agreements to establish if applications and approvals for capital works are also required by the state or territory regulator.

The process flow diagram outlines the steps that the Commission will follow when an extension request related to this Advisory is received.

Submissions can be made, but cannot be progressed unless final plans with executive approval are provided.

Whenever an organisation commences occupation of a new build, the new facility must be compliant with relevant national or international standards for the segregation of clean and dirty activities.

**ACCREDITING AGENCIES** are required to review evidence that:

From January 2023, the organisation has completed a gap analysis to determine its current level of compliance with the relevant national or international standards for reprocessing reusable medical devices in use by the health service organisation and has implemented systems to remediate risk for identified gaps

- From January 2024, the organisation has a detailed plan
- From January 2025 the plan is implemented
- From January 2025, where the plan has not been implemented an extension to the requirements set out in this advisory has been sought from the Commission.

From 1 January 2025, Action 3.17 is to be rated met with recommendations in organisations that are still working towards full compliance and an extension request has been sought from the Commission for:

- segregation of clean and dirty activities
- storage of sterile stock in compliant shelving
- cleaning, disinfecting and sterilising equipment
- monitoring water quality

Assess and rate health service organisations compliance with Action 3.17 in accordance with the requirements set out in this advisory.

# JOIN NEW MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL ONLINE

## Full Member

Meaning persons, excluding associate members, who accept the intent of the Constitution and the by-laws of the Council and are employed within the fields of sterilization and disinfection by any hospital, nursing home, medical, dental, or veterinary practice, university, government or semi-government organization, who are admitted by the Council and who have paid the Annual Subscription. These persons have full voting rights and shall be eligible to hold office.

## Associate Member

Meaning any proprietors, members or employees of a business or advisory body who are engaged in the production or supply of goods and/or services, directly/ or indirectly associated with sterilization, disinfection, or infection control who are admitted by the Council and who have paid the Annual Subscription. These persons shall have no voting rights and shall not be eligible to hold office.

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# Values and Recognition Award 2023

**SRACA NSW** knows how good it feels to recognise a member who has made an exceptional contribution. Their work or actions have made a significant difference in our industry. SRACA NSW are all aware of the fabulous work Sterilising personnel do that many times goes unappreciated. This annual recognition is an opportunity to share and appreciate some of the exceptional sterilising personnel we have in our state. SRACA NSW invites members to nominate a colleague or even yourself for this prestigious award, with the endorsement of the Manager, Staff Supervisor or Team Leader.

The winner of the Values and Recognition award will be announced at the annual NSW SRACA Conference.

**Nominations are now open and all submissions to include the application as well as being able to demonstrate one or more of the following values:**

## **Adaptability**

Someone who demonstrates flexibility in the workplace and has the ability to respond effectively to work conditions even if when things don't go to plan. This is someone who is adaptable, continually learns and embraces change.

## **Collaboration**

Collaborating with team members and stakeholders to build effective working relationships to achieve better work outcomes

## **Engagement**

Someone who cares and respects the department goals and values. They actively participates in quality projects, team activities and meetings

## **Excellence**

To foster a culture where pride and high performance in the work place is valued, nurtured and celebrated.

## **Innovation**

The individual uses their skills at all levels to develop their knowledge, experience and creativity to its fullest extent to improve the service and processes on a continuous basis.

## **Problem Solving**

Someone who has the ability to identify a problem and contribute to risk assessment, evaluation and solutions.



## Conditions of Entry

1. Entry is now open and all nominations must be received by close of business 12th November 2021
2. Nominations to be sent to NSW SRACA secretary
3. Nomination to include an application form, that can be found on the NSW SRACA website <https://www.sracansw.org.au/>
4. Tell us in no more than 500 words how you or the nominee demonstrate or promotes each of the values in the course of your work.
5. Nominee must be a current financial member of NSW SRACA.
6. Nomination to be endorsed by the manager, direct supervisor or team leader.
7. Each member can only nominate the same member once in a calendar year.

### Review Process

Each nomination will be de-identified by the secretary and president from the committee by a number system to prevent any bias.

Each submission is reviewed by the committee against the above criteria

Winner will be announced at the NSW SRACA yearly conference or in the event no conference it will be announced at end of year workshop

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## Prize

The winner of the NSW SRACA Values and Recognition award will receive:

- A Glass Trophy
- All expenses paid to attend the Federation Sterilising Research Councils of Australia National Conference.
- Feature article in the NSW SRACA journal





## Values and Recognition Nomination form

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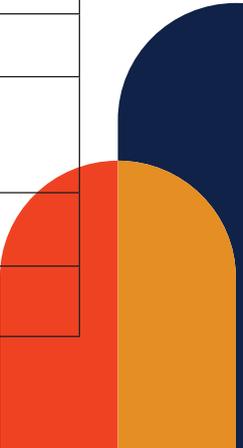
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### Nominators Details

Name:
Organisation:
Phone Number:
Email address:
Relationship to nominee:
Signature:
Date:

### Endorsed By

Name of Endorser:
Relationship to nominee:
Address (include postcode):
Phone Number:
Email address:



# NSW SRACA 2023 Event Calendar

- Important Date
- Meeting
- Workshop

## Jan

**Wednesday 8th**

- Planning Day- Hornsby

**Wednesday 8th**

- Executive Meeting- Hornsby

## Mar

**Wednesday 1st**

- Executive Meeting  
10am Microsoft Teams

**Wednesday 15th**

- Decontamination of RMD's  
- Canberra

## Apr

**Wednesday 5th**

- Executive Meeting  
5pm Northmead Sports Club

**Monday 10th**

- World CSSD Open Day

**Sunday 30th**

Journal 1 Distributed

## May

**Wednesday 3rd**

- Executive Committee Meeting

# JUN

## Wednesday 7th

- Executive Committee Meeting  
- 5pm Northmead Sports Club

## Friday 23rd

- NSW SRACA Workshop  
- Decontamination of RMD'S

# JUL

## Wednesday 5th

- Executive Committee Meeting

# AUG

## 9th -11th

- FSRACA National Conference  
- Melbourne

## Thursday 31st

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# SEP

## Wednesday 6th

- Executive Committee Meeting

# OCT

## Wednesday 4th

- Executive Committee Meeting  
- 5pm Northmead Sports Club

## 18th - 21st

- WFHSS Congress  
- Bruxelles, Belgium

# NOV

## Wednesday 1st

- Executive Committee Meeting

# DEC

## Wednesday 6th

- Workshop - Instruments in services  
- Campbelltown
- Members Annual General Meeting  
& Christmas Party

## Sunday 31st

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Note: Dates & times are subject to change

*Thank you and wishing everyone a Happy & Safe Holidays*

