



**ACRRM
AST
Conference
Obstetrics &
Gynaecology**

Conference Program

Thursday 21 May – Saturday 23 May 2026

Rydges Resort, Hunter Valley, NSW



Day 1

Thursday 21 May 2026

18:00 – 19:00 Registration

19:00 – 21:00 Welcome
Reception

Day 2

Friday 22 May 2026

08:45 Arrival Coffee/tea

09:00 – 09:15 Dr Rod Martin Welcome & Opening address

09:15 – 09:45 Danijela
Radovanovic &
Justine Harris Anatomy of the Rural Generalist Obstetrician – NSW Research
Dataset on GPO workforce

09:45 – 10:45 Dr Jasmine Banner
&
Dr Jerry Abraham Quick fire clinical case discussions: 2 clinical cases for
presentation/discussion (using Menti-polling) e.g:

- The HIE Case – Dr Jasmine Banner
- Pre-Eclampsia – Dr Jerry Abraham

10:45 – 11:15 Morning Tea

11:15 – 12:00 Dr Nisha Knot Perinatal infections (CMV, Syphilis, Parvovirus)

12:00 – 12:45 Dr Carmen Brown “Anchoring the Ship” – Building Psychological Safety in Rural
Obstetric Teams

12:45 – 13:30 Lunch

Day 2

Friday 22 May 2026 (cont.)

13:30 – 15:00	<p>Workshop 1.1 The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head</p> <p>Dr Sally Street</p>	<p>Workshop 1.2 Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context</p> <p>Dr Andy Woods</p>	<p>Workshop 1.3 Recognition and Repair of Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injuries</p> <p>Dr Stephen Tucker</p>	<p>Workshop 1.4 Obstetric Ultrasound – Growth/AFI/ Dopplers and Intrapartum Scanning for Foetal Position</p> <p>Dr Carl Henman</p>
<p>15:00 – 15:30 Afternoon Tea</p>				
15:30 – 17:00	<p>Workshop 2.1 The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head</p> <p>Dr Sally Street</p>	<p>Workshop 2.2 Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context</p> <p>Dr Andy Woods</p>	<p>Workshop 2.3 Recognition and Repair of Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injuries</p> <p>Dr Stephen Tucker</p>	<p>Workshop 2.4 Obstetric Ultrasound – Growth/AFI/ Dopplers and Intrapartum Scanning for Foetal Position</p> <p>Dr Carl Henman</p>
<p>19:00 – 23:00 Conference Dinner In conversation with Vijay Roach hosted by Marian Dover</p>				

Day 3

Saturday 23 May 2026

07:00 – 08:00	Optional	Yoga – Dr Elise Ly		
08:15	Arrival	Coffee/tea		
08:30 – 10:00	Workshop 3.1 The difficult caesarean section including impacted foetal head Dr Andy Woods	Workshop 3.2 Catastrophic PPH in rural setting including B-lynch suture, ligation uterine artery, hysterectomy in rural context Dr Bec Jones	Presentation 3.3 Beyond the Transition: Managing Common Neonatal Issues (jaundice, hypoglycemia etc) Dr Teena Downtown	Workshop 3.4 How rural teams recognise, manage, and recover from a catastrophic obstetric emergency – clinically and psychologically Dr Elise Ly
10:00 – 10:30	Morning Tea			
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12:00 – 13:00	Lunch			
13:00 – 13:45	Dr Nicole Gale	The Rural Lactation Roadmap - Breastfeeding Essentials		
13:45 – 14:30	Prof. Alexis Shub	The Sweet Challenge: Updates in Diagnosing and Managing Diabetes in Pregnancy		
14:30 – 15:00	Afternoon Tea			
15:00 – 15:30	Dr Eleanor Hobbs	The RHD case		
15:30 – 16:30	Dr Jasmine Banner Dr Andy Woods Dr Bec Jones	Panel Discussion: “Towards Normal Birth in Rural Australia”?		
16:30	Conference close and thanks			

