



A CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

ACORN QLD are pleased to invite members and guests to join us at the QT Gold Coast on October 11th & morning of the 12th for our 2025 Conference. This year's theme of *Rediscovering the Magic* invites attendees to be inspired and enlightened as we explore innovation in perioperative nursing practice. Some examples of topics of interest include (but are certainly not restricted to) innovations in perioperative practice, practical solutions for creating and maintaining a positive workplace culture, inclusivity in perioperative healthcare (examples include patients and staff with neurodiverse, gender, or cultural considerations), standards and patient safety, and the legal implications of perioperative practice. Panel topics may include charities that provide perioperative care, organ retrieval, and sustainability innovation in the modern perioperative unit.

Abstract Criteria:

Conference 2025 will feature several different presentation streams. Presentation streams will include:

- Speed round presentations that are 15-minute presentations from various perspectives on a topic,
- In depth panel discussions, and
- Traditional academic style presentations.

The ACORN QLD Committee invites presenters to submit abstracts for oral presentation. Abstracts will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- Relevance to the conference theme of innovation and current perioperative practice and issues (including but not limited to Anaesthetic, Scrub/Scout, PACU nursing),
- Quality of content,
- Innovation, originality, and evidence-based support.

Abstract Format and Submission Instructions:

Please email your abstract as a word document to conference@acornqld.org.au by the close of business June 1st, 2025.

Submissions must be written in English and include:

- Presentation title,
- Preferred presentation stream,
- Presenter information - presenter/s name, position title, employer, contact email and phone number,
- Biography and head shot photograph: A 150-word personal profile (for each presenter),
- Abstract: A 250-word summary of the presentation, and
- A short video summary introducing yourself and a little bit about your chosen topic. Please include why you are passionate about this topic and how your presentation relates to the conference theme of rediscovering the magic of innovation in perioperative care.

NOTE: Accepted speakers will receive a heavily discounted ticket to the conference and all associated events.