

INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS in collaboration with the North Australian Surgeons

PACIFIC REGIONAL MEETING AT JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY

17 – 23 MARCH 2008

Townsville, Queensland, Australia



For the first time, the **International College of Surgeons** (Chicago, USA) will be holding a quality Australasian regional forum, in collaboration with the North Australian Surgeons. The focus is to bring together renowned international and regional experts in the fields of minimally invasive surgery of relevance to general surgical specialities. The cutting edge state of the art, knowledge, skills and technologies will be discussed with emphasis on day-to-day practice. Both international and national **speakers** will be participating.

Accepted abstracts – published in International Surgery (indexed on Medline)

OPTIONAL PROGRAMS

Masterclass in laparoscopic gastrointestinal surgery

18 March 2008 The Townsville Hospital, Townsville, with options to participate in

- **Live demonstrations in laparoscopic large bowel surgery**
16 – 17 March 2008, Townsville
- **Live demonstrations in laparoscopic hernia surgery**
18 March 2008, Townsville
- **Live demonstrations in laparoscopic gastrointestinal surgery**
16 – 17 March 2008, Cairns
- **Live demonstrations in laparoscopic gastrointestinal surgery**
17 March 2008, Mackay

Anastomosis and stapling workshop for surgical trainees

18 March 2008 Townsville

Perioperative nursing workshop

18 March 2008 Mater Hospital Pimlico

FACULTY (confirmed to date)

Les Elise Bokey (Australia)
Jonathan Golledge (Australia)
John Lumley (Australia)
Les Nathanson (Australia)
Earl Owen (Australia)
Yi Mao (China)
Jose Miguel Alvear (Equador)
Wai Lun Law (Hongkong)

Michael Li (Hongkong)
Sharez Parey (India)
Fumio Konishi (Japan)
Fidel Ruiz-Healy (Mexico)
Bryan Parry (New Zealand)
Manuel Huaman (Peru)
Christopher Chen (Singapore)
Said Daee (USA)

Conference Topics include:

Dealing with unexpected findings & complications at laparoscopic general surgery, Challenges in laparoscopic hepatobiliary and oesophago-gastric surgery, State of the art in laparoscopic bariatric and complex hernia surgery, Managing the laparoscopic surgeon – tips and tricks of the trade for survival (perioperative nursing session), Managing the metabolically challenged surgical patient – current updates, Tropical surgery – lessons learnt for the rest of the World, Laparoscopic adrenalectomy and laparoscopic emergency surgery, Laparoscopic and endoscopic large bowel surgery, Stapling surgery in proctology, Colorectal ‘horrendoplasty’ procedures, Stomatherapy session.

Recordings of congress and selected live demonstration / masterclass likely available to participants online or on disc after event.

Program (regularly updated), abstract submission & registration available **ONLINE ONLY** at
www.jcu.edu.au/event/cossymp

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