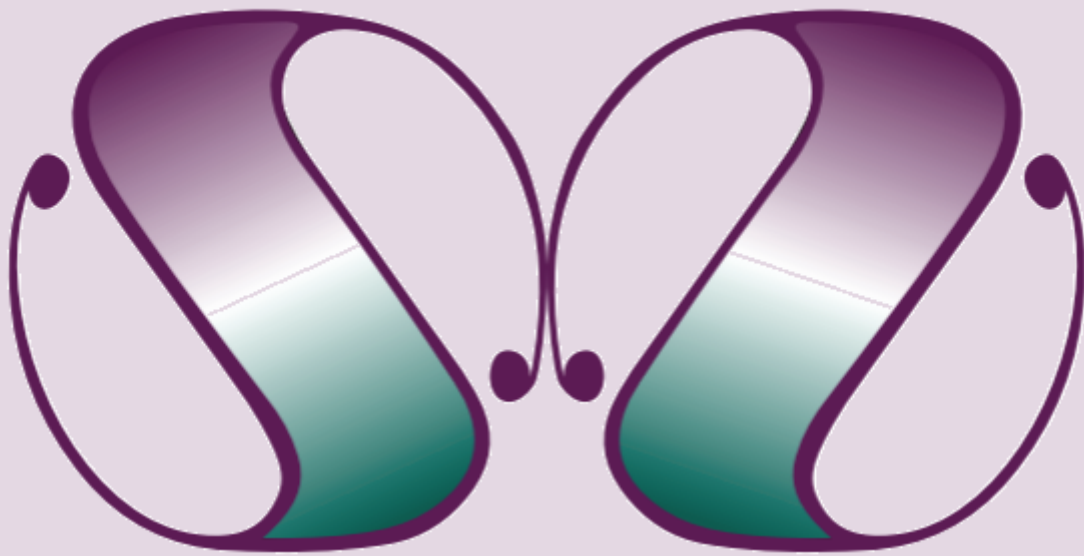




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STUDY DAY PROGRAMME

WAIPUNA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTRE— EXHIBITION ROOM

Time	Presentation	Speaker	Company
0815-0845	Welcome & Housekeeping	Charanjeet Sidhu	NZSSA
0845-0915	Leadership in Healthcare	Pauline Owens	Advanced Neurovascular Practitioner
0915-0945	RMD Manufacture and Maintenance & Rigid Containers	Nick Tarr	Sheff Med
0945-1000	Morning Tea		
1000-1040	A Career Journey in Sterilisation	Gary Watts	NZVS
1040-1120	AS 5369:2023, ISO:22441 and Low Temperature Sterilisation	Annie Watts	Steris
1120-1200	Lunch		
1200-1230	Water and Water Testing	Mitch Varnum	Steris
1230-1300	NZSSA Registration Update	Charanjeet Sidhu	NZSSA



PRESENTATIONS



Time	Presentation Overview
0845-0915	Leadership in Healthcare— Pauline Owens Our guest speaker is Pauline Owens, a Stroke Nurse Specialist and an Advanced Neurovascular Practitioner with over 40 years of experience in Nursing, of which many were holding senior leadership positions in the hospital setting. Pauline is an internationally known speaker, who loves to share leadership advice, great anecdotes and the reality of the challenges of leadership in the healthcare environment.
0915-0945	Rigid Containers, RMD Manufacture and Maintenance—Nick Tarr (Sheff Med) Overview of offering and that all of the services that Sheff Med Offer. In dept overview of our container and tray offering from Rudolf and Instrusafe and considerations when purchasing instrument sets and the tray and or rigid container that would best protect them. A video from Rudolf on instrumentation manufacturer, of which there is a 5 minute section on Scissor manufacture. Overview of instrument care from cleaning, washing, lubrication and packing, etc
1000-1040	A Career Journey in Sterilisation—Gary Watts (NZVS) Gary has a long career in the sterilisation profession and will detail in his own informative and interesting way. Describing his journey throughout his sterilisation career from his start as a technician, as a leader to his current role as a Validation Engineer. Detailing the changes he has seen along the way, and the differences noticed within the private & public sector and of course the importance of wellness and respect!
1040-1120	AS 5369:2023, ISO:22441 and Low Temperature Sterilisation (Steris) Annie will present on the changes to AS 5369:2023, ISO:12441 and how these changes impact on the Performance Qualification (PQ) process with low temp sterilisation. Annie will detail the changes, and provide clarification on how PQ will be conducted to meet the standards going forward.
1200-1230	Water and Water Testing (Steris) What is water? What is water testing? How does it perform/Standards and why we test, how to interpret the results, understanding the importance of chemistry, and the outcomes.
1230-1300	NZSSA Registration Update—Charanjeet Sidhu (NZSSA) NZSSA Executive Member & Registration evaluator, Charanjeet, will discuss the NZSSA Registration process, describing the documentation requiring when submitting a registration, and what details are important to ensure registration is attained. Time will be allowed for any Q&A from attendees.

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