The Faculty of Perioperative Care’s Annual Conference 2019
Integration of the Non-Medical Practitioner into Surgery
The Faculty of Perioperative Care (FPC) launched in early 2016 to provide education, training and support for advanced perioperative practitioners in their role as members of the extended surgical team. Join us this year for our 5th Annual Conference exploring an Integration of the Non-Medical Practitioner into Surgery.

**8 November AM:** Surgical Assistance workshop – “Tasks and Responsibilities”  
**Place:** RCSEd Birmingham Regional Centre  
**Convenor:** Mrs Susan Hall Senior Lecturer, Surgical Care Practice, Anglia Ruskin University  
**CPD Points:** 3

November the 8th will see an interactive pre-conference day for delegates. The morning session will explore some of the challenges faced in practice by non-medical surgical assistants. Convened by Susan Hall the workshop will host surgeons, practitioners (SFAs and SCPs) also address the other group practitioners (ACPs, PAs) who may assist in theatre. Presentations will be given from leaders in the field, Dr Claire Macaulay, Director of NIDUS Communications, will deliver a talk on “Whose responsibility is it anyway?” This forum will provide an excellent opportunity for delegates to share some of the difficulties they experience in practice.

**8 November PM:** “Improving Patient Safety for the surgical team” interactive workshop  
**Place:** RCSEd Birmingham Regional Centre  
**Convenor:** Mr Simon Paterson – Brown, Consultant Surgeon, Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh  
**CPD Points:** 3

This afternoon interactive workshop is for all members of the surgical team, whether in the operating theatre, wards or outpatient departments. It will involve an update of current healthcare delivery in the UK and data around expected outcomes and adverse events. It will explore how and why good teams achieve better outcomes than poorer teams, using video scenarios, small groups’ discussions and interactive voting. Click here to book.

Join us on Friday 8 November after the PM workshop for a drinks reception at the Birmingham Office hosted by the RCSEd. This is a chance to network and share thoughts on the days discussions.

**Saturday 9 November 2019 PM:**  
The Perioperative Practitioner – Reshaping the Surgical Team: Integration of the Non-Medical Practitioner into Surgery  
**Place:** RCSEd Birmingham Regional Centre  
**Convenor:** Mr Charles D Auld FRCS(Ed), RCSEd Lead for the Faculty of Perioperative Care and Ms Susan Hall, Senior Lecturer in Surgical Care Practice, Anglia Ruskin University  
**CPD Points:** 6

The Faculty of Perioperative Care Annual Conference 2019 programme is designed to incorporate all non-medical practitioner roles in surgery. Although an ambitious venture, the 2 day event will cover specific areas of practice relating to the more established roles i.e. SCP and SFA, but in addition will address the contributions made by the more recent appointments of Physician Associates (PA) and Advanced Clinical Practitioners (ACP) in surgery. Confirmed speakers for the conference include Clare Sutherland, Senior Professional Advisor and Corporate Lead for Advanced Practice, Derby NHS Trust, Norman Briffa, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals, Tracey Williams – President, AFPP, Andrew Dickinson, Consultant Urologist University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust and many more.

This meeting is open to all perioperative practitioners, as well as surgeons who work closely with advanced practitioners (e.g. surgical care practitioners, surgical first assistants, Physician Associates,) and have an interest in the future of the surgical team.
Additional Information
Please visit the events and Courses booking page at
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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: We invite you to submit abstracts on ‘The way forward: are we improving surgical quality?’

The best submission will be invited to present their posters at the Conference. Please submit your abstract poster by 5pm on Friday 11 October 2019. Online abstract submission portal is open now, please email submissions to fpc@rcsed.ac.uk. There will be a prize for the best poster.

The Faculty of Perioperative Care has a portfolio of bespoke courses for Perioperative Practitioners that have been accredited by the Association for Perioperative Practice (AfPP).

23 October 2019: Perioperative Key Skills Course
Convenor: Mr John Stirling, NORS Transformation Project Lead, NHSBT Mr John Terrace, Consultant Transplant Surgeon, NHS Lothian
CPD points: 6

Basic surgical skills are fundamental to the practice of safe surgery. The surgical assistant is an extremely important member of the operating team who needs to be familiar with the basic procedures in open, minimally invasive and robotic surgery as well as the dynamics of the theatre environment.

All advanced Perioperative Practitioners, including Surgical First Assistants (SFA), Surgical Care Practitioners (SCP) who are either in training or newly qualified as well as Advanced Care Practitioners (ACP) and Physicians Assistants (PA) working in surgery.

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