conference venue
This year’s conference will be held at the Carlton Crest Melbourne. Located on Queens Road, with fantastic views of the Albert Park Lake, it is only a 10 minute drive to the Melbourne CBD, and is one of Melbourne’s largest conference centres. The hotel features 4 and 5 star accommodation, extensive conference facilities and bistro.

registration and payment options
Full and Single day registrations are available. Please see registration form for details. Please ensure registration form and payment is returned to the conference organisers, Oliver Harkness Promotions. Cheques are to be made out to SRACA Vic. Inc and mailed out to C/- Oliver Harkness Promotions, Level 11, 380 St Kilda Road, Melbourne, Vic. 3004. EFT payments to account name: SRACA Vic. Inc BSB: 063-001/Account Number: 1002-3363.

accommodation
If accommodation is required, delegates are requested to please contact, the Carlton Crest Hotel, directly on 1800 633 888. Accommodation is subject to availability. No block booking has been arranged with the hotel; therefore delegates wishing to confirm accommodation are requested to contact the Carlton Crest before 11th September to confirm accommodation booking. Special rates have been negotiated: Standard Room $119; Superior Room $158; Superior Lake View $173. When booking your accommodation, please quote “Sterilising Research Conference”.

meals
The cost of all meals is included in the registration fee. No refund is given for those not attending the dinners. Predinner drinks and drinks served with meals are also included. These include house wines, beer and soft drinks; other drinks may be purchased at delegates’ own expense.

cancellation policy
Registration cancellations must be in writing. Cancellations received 14 days prior to the conference will receive a 50% refund of the registration cost, less $50.00 handling fee. No refund will be given for cancellations received within 7 days of the conference. Early registration is recommended.

privacy act
Under the Privacy Act, we need to tell you that we collect information about you to assist in performing our conference management services for FSRACA. This includes distribution of conference delegate names, work locations and work telephone numbers to sponsors/exhibitors of the conference. You can request access to information we hold about you by making a written request. If you do not want information to be given out, you must notify us in writing 30 days prior to the event.

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The theme this year will be “Sterilisation 2006 - Reaching Out”.

“Reaching Out” encompasses the idea of the Sterilising Services reaching out to customers, Sterilising colleagues and trade representatives -- networking, sharing experiences and innovations, educational opportunities and technical expertise throughout Australia and around the world. Some of the guest speakers and facilitators appearing at this year's conference include:

Dr. Rosemary A Simpson PhD FRCPath, Healthcare Science Ltd.
During 2005 a detailed survey of endoscope decontamination practice was carried out in Scotland. This was undertaken following an incident in Northern Ireland in which an endoscope was found to have a visibly contaminated channel immediately prior to use. The presentation will discuss the strategy taken by Scotland and elsewhere to deal with this incident, for example by reiterating the importance of current regulations and standards; the development of the Endoscope Decontamination Audit Tool used in the survey and the implications of the results for medical device manufacturers, clinical users and decontamination staff.

David J Hurrell MSc FIHEEM AP(S), Healthcare Science Ltd.
Over the past five years the UK has embarked on a programme of upgrading provision for decontamination of reusable medical devices. The approach taken by each of the four home nations (England, N.Ireland, Scotland and Wales) has been different. The role of decontamination in primary care facilities is also an important consideration. The presentation will discuss the approaches taken and their advantages and disadvantages.

Melvyn Davis, Melvyn Davis & Associates
Melvyn Davis is a clinical pharmacist who graduated from The University of Tasmania. Mel has divided his career between hospital pharmacy practice in three States and working in specialised clinical positions in the Pharmaceutical Industry. He was the founding Director of Pharmacy at the 600-bed Woden Valley (now Canberra) Hospital in the ACT. Whilst in that position, he was trained in medical information analysis at the Australian National Library. He joined Baxter Healthcare in 1982 and moved into a Marketing role that provided clinical support for Baxter’s total businesses.

Dani Blenden, Director, Rogen International
Dani joined Rogen from a background in Senior Management in both PR and Marketing, as well as 7 years in the Health & Science sectors. She is a Director of Rogen International and is a Paul Harris Fellow, sits on Not-for-profit committees and was awarded a Community Leadership award in 2003. Dani is the global practice leader in the Driving Change and Performance area of Rogen's capability. She regularly works with Senior Executives in the areas of Leadership Communications, strategic communication, driving business performance and aligning their people to the desired goals. This work includes coaching, training and consulting. Her career began in medical research at Monash University, from there she completed a Design Degree and ran her own business as an Interior Designer in the Commercial Sector. After the birth of her third child Dani held several senior management roles in the health sector in the areas of PR and Marketing. Dani has a BSc, Interior Design, Marketing and PR qualifications and is an accredited Human Synergistics consultant.

Julie Wain, Perioperative Nurse Unit Manager, St. Vincent's Campus of St Vincent's and Mercy Private Hospital
Julie is the Perioperative Nurse Unit Manager at the St. Vincent’s Campus of St Vincent’s and Mercy Private Hospital in Melbourne. In 2005 she worked on a hospital-wide lean healthcare quality initiatives project. In 2004 Julie designed, implemented and delivered this competency assessment program for the STVMPH CSD Instrument Technicians. She is the current National President of the Otolaryngology Head and Neck Nurse Group. Julie has worked in perioperative nursing for twenty years.

Annie Watt, Area Manager, Browne International
Annie is the Area Manager for Browne International responsible for Asia including China and Japan, Australia and New Zealand. Annie is a Registered Nurse trained at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, Australia with post graduate certificates in Operating Theatre and Accident Emergency. Annie has extensive experience in the Medical Device market having worked previously for a leading distributor of consumable products in Australia. She also has a long history of consulting for Medical Manufacturer’s globally. Annie has been a member of the Browne International team for 5 years focusing mainly on developing the Asian market. Her main role within Browne is one of education focusing on International Standards and how to implement them in developing countries. Annie presents frequently at CSSD conferences around Australia, New Zealand and Asia however she also ensures that the staff working in the CSSD’s are well informed by offering seminar’s on a regular basis.

Sue Cornish, Australian Society for Microbiology rep., Victorian Advisory Committee on Infection Control
Prior to joining Mayfield Education Centre in 2001, Susan worked as a Microbiologist for several years in the pathology department of a major teaching hospital. She has tutored third year Medical students and lectured for Mayfield Education Centre in Microbiology. She has completed a Graduate Certificate in Infection Control from Griffith University and is currently completing the Masters of Advanced Studies (Infection Control). Susan has been involved in the Australian Society for Microbiology over many years and is currently Chairperson of the Victorian Branch. She has presented research projects at ASM National Conferences in Canberra and Perth and at the AICA conference in Hobart. Susan is a Member of the Australian Society for Microbiology and Chairperson of the Victorian Branch, member of the Victorian Infection Control Professionals Association. Susan is an adviser to the Sterilization Research and Advisory Council of Australia (Vic Branch) and a member of the selection panel for the SRACA (Vic Branch) Research Grant. Susan is currently the Australian Society for Microbiology representative to the Victorian Advisory Committee on Infection Control and is the FSRACA representative on the Australian Standards Committee CH-026 AS 2243.3 Safety in Laboratories – Microbiology.
**CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

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| 1900-2100 | Trade Opening Cocktails   
   Networking opportunities and chance to visit tradeshow |

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| 10.15am-10.45am | Morning Tea  
   Opportunities to network and visit the trade show |
| 10.45am-11.30am | E Sterilising – Peter Strain (Multigate)   
   Opportunities to network and visit the trade show |
| 11.30am-12.15pm | “Combining Ultrasonics and Standard Washing Processes”- Ben Siegmund (Medisafe) |
| 12.15pm-1330 | Lunch  
   Opportunities to network and visit the trade show |
| 1330-1415 | “Endoscope Decontamination: Lessons Learnt” - Dr Rosemary A. Simpson PhD, FRCPath |
| 1415-1500 | “Understanding Biologicals” – Sue Cornish, BAppSci.,(MLS), BA, GradCertInfectionControl., GradDipT&D., GradDip EOAdmin., CertIV A&WT, MASM |
| 1500-1545 | “Impact of EN ISO 15883” – Annie Watt  
   “Packaging and EN Norms ISO 11607 and EN 868 - Outi Llinholm-Ollikainen (Wipak-Finland) |
| 1545-1615 | Promedica - Afternoon Tea  
   Opportunities to network and visit the trade show |
| 1645-1730 | “Sterile Service Provision: Is Big Beautiful?” - David J. Hurrell MSc FIHEEM AP(S) |
| 1800-1900 | Pre dinner drinks. Sponsored by KCC and music by (BHTAFE) |
| 1930-12mn | Gala Dinner Dance with entertainment provided by Soda |

### Day Three - Saturday 7th October (subject to change)

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| 7.30am-8.30am | Johnson and Johnson Breakfast:  
   Guest Speaker: Cynthia Spry  
   Chance to visit the trade exhibition |
| 9.00am-9.05am | Welcome: Housekeeping.                                                   |
| 9.05am- 9.45am | “Environmental Impact of Theatre Consumables” - Mel Davis |
| 10.00am- 11.15am | Hypothetical “Screw Banks: Risky Business: Fact or Fiction” - Panel |
| 11.15am-11.45am | Morning Tea  
   Opportunities to network and visit the trade show |
| 11.45am- 12.30pm | “Credentialing in QLD” - Robyn Williams |
| 12.30pm-1330 | Lunch  
   Opportunities to network and visit the trade show. |
| 1330-1400 | Drawing of raffles.                                                        |
| 1400-1445 | “Data Matrix Revealed” - Chris Odgen                                      |
| 1445-1530 | “Risk Management in the Sterilization Process: An Educational Tool” - Julie Wain |
| 1530-1600 | “Orthopaedic Container Project Update” - Anne Hardy                      |
| 1600     | Conference Close                                                          |

### Day Four - Sunday 8th October

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| 11am-1530 | Lunch at Helen’s Hill Winery, including 2 course lunch, plus transport to and from the Yarra Valley.  
   Minimum number required is 35 (friends and partners welcome). |