

# The Surgical Journey Improvement Group



*You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individuals. To that*



*end, each of us must work for his own improvement*

*and, at the same time, share a general responsibility for all humanity, our particular duty being to aid those to whom we think we can be most useful.*



**Marie Curie**

## HEALTH ROUNDTABLE IMPROVEMENT GROUPS:

### Sharing new ideas and solutions to common challenges

Health Roundtable's Improvement Groups provide subscribers the opportunity to understand how hospitals are innovating and improving patient outcomes across Australia and New Zealand. They consist of three components:

- Detailed comparable benchmarking reports with data analysis and deep insight, survey results and expert knowledge
- A two-day cross-jurisdictional Workshop, providing an opportunity to discuss the insights, review the latest (and most impactful) innovations, network and learn from exemplar hospitals and experts.
- Direct access to HRT analysts and specialist mentors as well as community engagement with peer patient care teams

Members of Health Roundtable may subscribe to the several Improvement Groups on offer each year.





## Who should join the Group?

The Surgical Journey Improvement Group provides cross-jurisdictional benefit to the entire surgical team particularly members such as:

- Clinical Directors of Surgery
- Nursing Leaders of Surgery
- Service Directors of Surgery
- Surgical Coordination and Operations teams

## The Surgical Journey Improvement Group

Are your surgical teams reporting pressure in managing their Emergency demand? How does your surgical efficiency compare to other sites and states? Do you know what aspect of operational review you need to prioritise for maximum effectiveness? How do you start the conversation with your teams when you notice variation?

Surgery is a major cost centre and efficiency is key. Of course, well-managed surgical services must be safe and maximise patient outcomes. Best practice management can be challenging when these objectives are in conflict.

This Improvement Group will delineate the data and innovations that help balance flow and optimise performance of your surgical theatre. It's a significant opportunity for cross-jurisdictional sharing of contemporary practice and new ideas. Membership provides a sense of community with powerful networking.

## What Group Subscribers receive

- A personalised annual benchmarking report identifying how your facility compares with other hospitals across Australia and New Zealand, and providing independent monitoring of variations in practice and performance. Benchmarked metrics include theatre session utilisation, session efficiency, wait list indicators, cancellation rates, and return-to-theatre rates
- Invitation to participate in the annual Workshop; unlimited delegates at a modest per head cost (more details below). This year, as requested by our members, the Workshop focus is Balancing the Emergency and Elective Surgical Load
- Advice and support via phone and webcast to develop practical action plans to improve your service over the next year



*My first HRT workshop and it has been a great learning experience. Great team of organizers/presenters.*

Previous Workshop Attendee



## The Workshop – Balancing the Emergency and Elective Surgical Load

September 4-5, 2019 Sydney NSW

With health departments targeting the reduction of elective surgery waiting times and the demand for emergency surgery simultaneously on the increase, it's getting harder and harder for hospitals to balance the demands of both.

This year, as requested by our members, the hot topic is Balancing the Emergency and Elective Surgical Load.

This is an important annual opportunity to hear from innovative peers, and even present your own work for the benefit of others and critical discussion. Additionally, you'll enjoy listening to a range of relevant subject matter experts. Last year, for example, we featured speakers from the US and a presentation on how 3D printing can positively impact surgical services.

This year we will hear from experts and pool ideas in themed sessions including: Sessional expansion; Throughput increases; Technology assistance; New practice innovations and more.

Expect multiple short presentations in a rapid-fire exchange of ideas across the group.



## About Health Roundtable

The Health Roundtable helps health executives and clinicians learn how to achieve best practice in their organisations.

We collect and analyse operational and clinical data of our member organisations to search for innovations in patient care.

We promote collaboration and networking amongst health executives and staff through our roundtable meetings, workshops, and other activities.

# How to subscribe and attend

## What previous attendees thought of the workshop:

“Very practical. Good opportunities to hear from other organizations and learn how they are addressing the issues which are shared across all the hospitals - small and large”

**Subscription to the Innovation Group**  
\$A5,250 excl GST

**Workshop attendance**  
\$395 per delegate.

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If you are not the right person to subscribe, please provide this to a more relevant contact in the hospital

## KEY DATES

Friday, 8 March 2019	Request for data distributed to all Group members
Wednesday, 29 May 2019	Deadline for return of data
Wednesday, 7 August 2019	Group benchmarking reports released
Wednesday, 28 August 2019	Briefing materials distributed
<b>4 &amp; 5 September 2019</b>	<b>Surgical Journey Improvement Workshop - Sydney</b>



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