



Toxic Issues in the ED 2025

Welcome:

Toxic issues in the ED was first run as a one day series of talks by the Hunter Area Toxicology Service in Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia in 2008. It was subsequently incorporated into the TAPNA Inc. (www.tapna.org.au) annual scientific meeting workshop programme and exposed to a wider audience.

Toxic issues courses were also run in Sri Lanka by a TAPNA Inc. faculty, in conjunction with the local emergency medicine community. In 2017 the Sri Lankan version received support from the Australasian college for emergency medicine (ACEM) in the form of an international development fund grant. In addition to Sri Lanka, locally adapted versions of toxic issues have been run in Kerala and Chennai, India.

The Australasian version of the course was relaunched, following a post pandemic hiatus, with an updated, modernised format in May 2025 after the TAPNA Inc. ASM in Wellington New Zealand.

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that we will be bringing you another toxic issues course after the APAMT 2025 scientific meeting.



Toxic Issues in the ED 2025

The 2025 version will be run over 2 days featuring educational presentations based on clinical cases, similar to those encountered in everyday ED/critical care practice within Australasia. The course will focus on a better understanding of how to risk assess and manage poisoning cases using the combination of supportive/critical care skills, scientific evidence supporting best practise and the utilisation of expert input from Clinical Toxicologists and specialists in poisons information.

Presentations will involve talks with interactive case scenarios as well as smaller group discussions of key topics in poisoning.

Full participants will have the opportunity to get involved in immersive, low fidelity simulation scenarios with a fifty percent participation to observation ratio.

Observer positions are available at a reduced fee, allowing participation in all of the non simulation presentations and observation of simulation scenarios.

A pre course reading manual will be made available approximately 8 to 10 weeks prior to the APAMT 2025 conference.



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Whilst there will be no formal assessment, participants who attend all sessions will receive a certificate of participation on receipt of completed feedback.

Wifi will be available at the venue and it is recommended that you bring a smartphone or tablet to facilitate involvement in the interactive aspects of the talks.

This course is accredited for 17 hours of CPD for ACEM.

The timetable for the two days of the course is provided below. We look forward to seeing you on the Gold Coast in November



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Toxic Issues in the ED 2025 timetable Friday 21st November

08:00 : Introduction & Housekeeping

08:15 : Risk Assessment in poisoning

09:15 : Paediatric poisoning

10:15 : Morning Tea

10:45

Workshop: Acid/Base in
Poisoning

10:45

Toxic Simulation

11:45 : Repeat of 10:45 sessions

12:45

Lunch

13:30 : The Toxic ECG

14:30

Workshop: Many Faces of
Paracetamol Poisoning

14:30

Toxic Simulation

15:30 : Afternoon Tea

16:00 : Repeat of 14:30 session

16:30 : Finish Day 1

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Toxic Issues in the ED 2025 timetable Saturday 22nd November

08:15 : Introduction to Day 2

08:30

Workshop: Snakebite and
Envenomation

08:30

Toxic Simulation

09:30 : Repeat of 08:30 sessions

10:30

Morning Tea

11:00 : Live Sim: Managing the agitated
poisoned patient in the Emergency Department

12:30

Lunch

13:30 : Call Tox! Interactive Case Discussions

15:00 : Feedback, wrap up

15:30 : End of Course