

## Professor Mark Nicholls

Professor Mark Nicholls is a President of the Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society (ANZICS), Senior Staff Specialist, Department of Intensive Care Medicine, St Vincent's Hospital Conjoint Associate Professor, St Vincent's Clinical School, University of New South Wales. Associate Professor Mark Nicholls is an Intensive Care Specialist with experience in clinical practice and academic medicine. He currently serves as the President of the Australian and New Zealand Intensive Care Society (ANZICS), which leads in several initiatives aimed at advancing the field of intensive care medicine, including the ANZICS Clinical Trials Group, ANZICS data registries CORE, ANZICS Global Intensive care Initiatives and advocacy for patients and intensive care staff.

With a career spanning over two decades, Dr Nicholls holds several positions at St Vincent's Hospital in Sydney. He is a Senior Staff Specialist in the Department of Intensive Care Medicine and a Visiting Medical Officer (VMO) specialising in ECMO retrieval. The team at St Vincent's have extensive expertise in extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO). St Vincent's Hospital in Sydney is the NSW Center for Heart and Lung Transplantation, performing approximately 45 heart and 60 lung transplants annually. The intensive care unit has had over 400 ECMO runs.

In addition to his clinical roles, Dr Nicholls is an educator. He is a Conjoint Associate Professor at the University of New South Wales, where he contributes to the education of medical students and the development of future intensive care specialists. Dr Nicholls has a strong interest in intensive care medicine in resource-poor settings. He was part of the team establishing collaborations between ANZICS and healthcare facilities in Papua New Guinea, supported by funding from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).

Throughout his career, Dr Nicholls has been actively involved in numerous professional and advisory committees. His contributions to the field include co-authoring guidelines for complex decision-making during the COVID-19 pandemic and advocating for healthcare worker safety. His research interests are diverse, encompassing topics such as ICU capacity during pandemics, burnout among intensivists, and critical care strain.

His presentations at this conference will draw on his experience and expertise.