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The Monthly Sutherland ED PoCUS Newsletter

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Welcome to the first Sutherland Point of Care Ultrasound (PoCUS) newsletter. We hope that this will be a great vehicle for communicating all things ultrasound to the department.

## Information for New Registrars /JMOs

Please read the website section on **Sutherland ED Ultrasound Guidelines** at the beginning of your term with us. This outlines the expectations of anyone using ultrasound in the ED, including saving images and minimum standards for documentation on EMR. It also specifies who can use the ultrasound machine and act upon their scans. We are keen to support you through the ED credentialing process in the following ways:

- Organising training on the ultrasound machines
- Recommending credentialed instructional courses
- Updating the US noticeboard with upcoming courses/workshops
- Supervising your scanning in the department
- Signing off scans for your logbook
- Running US workshops on teaching days

Dr Kirsty Short and Dr Anthony Van Assche are our FACEMs who currently hold the Certificate in Clinician Performed Ultrasound (CCPU). You can ask either of them to supervise you scanning, review a saved scan or perform a summative or formative assessment for credentialing purposes.

## Google Sheets Logbook

TSH LOGBOOK entry form

\*Required

Participant Name \*  
Andrew Finckh

Type of scan  
Choose

Where is this scan saved? \*

USB

TSH Sonosite XPORTE TSH

TSH GE Vivid SS TSH

SVH Philips Sparq

POW Philips Sparq

A reminder that a user-friendly Google Sheets Logbook has been created to simplify logging your scans directly at the bedside. This allows you to create a tabulated electronic logbook that the ED US lead can access and update. When you are ready to submit your completed logbook for a CCPU module this can be done by sending an email request to the Clinical Lead in US. The link to the form can be found on the website and we suggest saving this to your bookmarks on your mobile device. Drs Jamie Andrews, Scott Farenden and Kirsty Short can give you a demonstration upon request.

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## Dates for the Diary.....

### **August:**

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>**

*EMUGS Meeting:*

*'Jelly That Belly'*

*17:45-20:45*

*The Union Hotel, North*

*Sydney*

<http://www.emugs.org>

### **September:**

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup>**

*Fascia Iliaca Block Joint*

*Teaching Session with*

*St George Trainees*

*16:00-18:00 at TSH*

### **November:**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

*ACEM Scientific*

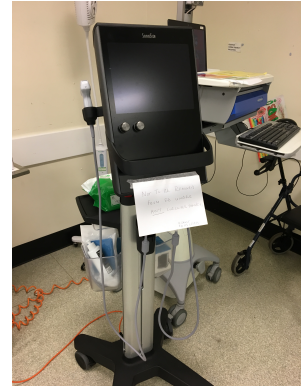
*Meeting Ultrasound*

*Sessions*

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## Sonosite SII Trial Extended

We have had the Sonosite SII on trial in ED since July 19<sup>th</sup>. You will find it in the room behind the SARS room where it should be kept plugged in and switched off when not in use. Please do not return it to the previous location by the ECG machine in acute as there have been a few close encounters with hospital beds. Please email any feedback on the machine to Dr Kirsty Short.



## US Usage by Other Departments

We have had an incident where our US machine was borrowed by another department but not returned. Anyone removing a machine from the ED needs the permission of a Registrar or Consultant and must return the machine immediately after use. Whilst the machine is out of the ED, the new practice will be to write the name of the borrowing department and a contact name/pager number on the white board in acute.

## US Documentation and Quality Audit: August 9th

Dr Eilidh Dempster will be presenting an audit on the documentation of our ED scans and whether the saved image series meet expected standards. Prepare to be surprised by the results.

## US Article of the Month

Our PoCUS enthusiast VMO, Dr Suzie Miller, recommends this great article on diagnosing finger flexor tenosynovitis on the Academic Life in Emergency Medicine website. If you've not explored the site before, it's full of evidence based, easily digestible FOAM resources. Have a look! <https://www.aliem.com/2017/07/ultrasound-win-53m-right-index-finger-swelling/#more-50961>

## Case of the Month

Each month we will nominate a Case of the Month to feature in this newsletter and we encourage contributions from all levels of US users. We are looking for cases that highlight the breadth of US use in the ED and where PoCUS has changed patient management. Any other learning points around image acquisition and US pitfalls are also welcome. Have a think and email Kirsty Short with the MRN and a short summary of the case.