

September 2018

## *President's Message*



Dear Colleagues,

The OTA Executive Team continues to work hard for you, our members, to provide you with professional education days and the annual conference event. Our education and events calendar is accessible from the OTA website which lists all the Sydney and Zone events, where they will be held, and the topics in the registration flyers. Save the Date and Registrations can be viewed and the flyers downloaded to add to your notice boards. These events are open to all OTA members and non-members, as well as nurses who are interested in the perioperative topics presented.

A part of my role as President is to take time to travel to each zone during my term. I recently attended the Zone 1 PED in Newcastle with Gail Staines, MIT Team Leader. It was a great day with excellent presentations and learning opportunities. This weekend I am heading to Canberra for the Zone 7 PED, always a great day and I look forward to catching up with the Zone committee. In October I will be heading to Zone 5 PED in Lismore and then out to Orange in November for Zone 2. These days are wonderful examples of the Zone committee's commitment to providing their local members with education and networking opportunities.

Our 2019 Annual Conference will be held in May 2019 at The Crown Plaza Terrigal. We will bring you further details of the conference through emails, save the date, and in SuiteTalk. If you have a perioperative clinical or research topic of interest to all perioperative nurses and want to share what you believe is important for your colleagues, you can contact our education team at [ota3@bigpond.com](mailto:ota3@bigpond.com).

We hold two planning days annually, aimed at using our team resources for key events. Our second planning day will be held in October 2018. The day is attended by the executive team in preparation for key events, identification of team and individual responsibilities for 2019.

Thankyou

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