Program for SMBE 2026 Country Technicians' Training Seminar and Conference

MONDAY – 23 March 2026				
	Start	**Finish**	**Run Time**	**Presentation**
Session 1 **Opening & Keynote** **9:15 - 10:15** **(1:00)**	9:15	9:20	0:05	Welcome to Delegates – Bruce Morrison, President SMBE NSW Inc
	9:20	9:35	0:15	Opening – Mr Bill Appleby, Chief Executive Officer, Albury Wodonga Health
	9:35	10:10	0:35	Best Practice Maintenance from an Industry that Knows, Michael Suaan, Qantas
	10:10	10:15	0:05	Questions, discussion and housekeeping
Morning Tea	10:15	10:45	**0:30**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 2 **Cybersecurity** **10:45 - 12:30** **(1:45)**	10:45	11:30	0:45	Opening of the Trade Exhibition and time for delegates to meet with exhibitors - Auditorium and Stanley Room
	11:30	12:10	0:40	The health sector threat environment – cyber risk to medical devices and practical measures, Simon Cowley, DoH Vic
	12:10	12:30	0:20	Building cyber-resilient clinical technologies: Lessons from AWH, Vishnu Muraleedharan, BME Department, AWH
Lunch	12:30	13:30	**1:00**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 3 **BME & Hospital Redevelopment Projects** **13:30 - 15:00** **(1:30)**	13:30	13:50	0:20	HealthShare's role in hospital redevelopment projects, Graham DaSilva, HealthShare
	13:50	14:10	0:20	The challenge of managing a BME department under a hospital redevelopment project, David Huynh, Sydney LHD
	14:10	14:30	0:20	Equipping a new built hospital with existing and new equipment - Journey of a Biomedical Engineer, Anusha Boojala, Healthcare Technology Management (HTM), Canberra Hospital
	14:30	14:50	0:20	Designing for the future in hospital redevelopments, James Hewlett, Health Infrastructure
	14:50	15:00	0:10	Questions & discussion
Afternoon Tea	15:00	15:30	**0:30**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 4 **BME & Hospital Redevelopment Projects** **15:30 - 17:00** **(1:30)**	15:30	15:50	0:20	Biomeds, where in the design process do they fit it, James Hewlett, Health Infrastructure
	15:50	16:10	0:20	Achieving a single vendor solution for continuous patient monitoring in a newly built hospital to replace existing multiple solutions, Anusha Boojala, HTM, Canberra Hospital
	16:10	16:40	0:30	Building for the future, Chad Wilhelm, Wilhelm Integrated Solutions
	16:40	16:50	0:10	Introducing Health Technology Management: A Strategic Approach to Managing Medical Technology, Mike Denison, The Medical Room
	16:50	17:00	0:10	Questions & discussion

TUESDAY - 24 March 2026				
Session 1 AS/NZS 3551 Workshop **9:00 - 10:15** **(1:15)**	**9:00**	**10:15**	**75 mins**	**AS/NZS 3551 The revised and updated edition – Townsend Room** • Mike Flood will facilitate a workshop and information session on progress towards the 2020s update of this important standard. The standard has been out for public comment and Mike will summarise the comments and invite further comments from the delegates. • Wrap up and future directions • Housekeeping announcements
Morning Tea	10:15	10:45	**0:30**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 2 Technical Presentations **10:45 - 12:30** **(1:45)**	10:45	11:05	0:20	"Hey Google, should I repair or replace this device", Steven Cox, BTS, Queensland Health
	11:05	11:35	0:30	Reducing Nitrous Oxide in NSW Health Facilities, Cale Watson, MEGA Medical
	11:35	11:55	0:20	Managing AMAF Compliance at AWH Using CMMS, Sandeep Kaur, BME Department, AWH
	11:55	12:20	0:25	Contract supplier management, Graham DaSilva, HealthShare
	12:20	12:30	0:10	Questions and discussion
Lunch	12:30	13:30	**1:00**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 3 Hands-on Workshops Sessions 1 & 2 **13:30 - 15:35** **(2:05)**	13:30	14:30	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 1:** **Zoll Medical S1** Medical Device Readiness & Asset Management Narelle Reynolds, Royal Melbourne Hospital
	13:30	14:30	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 2:** **Parker Healthcare S1** Air/Oxygen blenders, Principles, Operation & Maintenance
	13:30	14:30	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 3:** **Bioclinical Services S1** Hospital-Acquired Infections, TGA Recalls, and NSQHS Short Notice Assessments
	14:30	14.35	0:05	Changeover
	14:35	15:35	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 1:** **Zoll Medical S2** Medical Device Readiness & Asset Management Narelle Reynolds, Royal Melbourne Hospital
	14:35	15:35	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 2:** **Parker Healthcare S2** Air/Oxygen blenders, Principles, Operation & Maintenance
	14:35	15:35	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 3:** **Bioclinical Services S2** Hospital-Acquired Infections, TGA Recalls, and NSQHS Short Notice Assessments
Afternoon Tea	15:35	16:00	**0:25**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 4 Hands-on Workshops Session 3 **16:00 - 17:00** **(1:00)**	16:00	17:00	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 1:** **Zoll Medical Session 3** Medical Device Readiness & Asset Management Narelle Reynolds, Royal Melbourne Hospital
	16:00	17:00	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 2:** **Parker Healthcare Session 3** Air/Oxygen blenders Principles, Operation & Maintenance
	16:00	17:00	1:00	**Hands-on Workshop 3:** **Bioclinical Services** Hospital-Acquired Infections, TGA Recalls, and NSQHS Short Notice Assessments

1:30pm – 5:00pm- Clinicians from SNSWLHD and MLHD come to visit the Trade Exhibition

WEDNESDAY 25 March 2026				
Session 1 Technical Presentations **9:00 - 10:15** **(1:15)**	9:00	9:20	0:20	Collaborating for Better Care: Turning Collective Knowledge into Informed Decisions, Elizabeth Whitehead, Clinical Products Consultant, AWH
	9:20	9:40	0:20	Disinfectant formulations and material compatibility: Understanding risk, safety, and equipment longevity, Ryan Clarke, GAMA Healthcare
	9:40	10:00	0:20	Exoskeletons as assistive technology, Maryanne Harris, RoboFit
	10:00	10:15	0:15	Questions and discussion
Morning Tea	10:15	10:45	**0:30**	Auditorium and Stanley ABC
Session 2 Technical Presentations **10:45 - 12:30** **(1:45)**	10:45	11:05	0:20	What Australian Biomedical Engineers need from our regulatory body, Dr Geoff Ward, South West BME Services, Vic
	11:05	11:25	0:20	Adapting to Evolving Threats: Cybersecurity Essentials for Biomedical Engineering in Healthcare, Waylon Lewis, Philips Healthcare
	11:25	11:40	0:15	Update on training from The Medical Room, Dani, Forster, THE medical ROOM
	11:40	11:50	0:10	Update on EIT training courses including the new Professional Certificate in Clinical Engineering Fundamentals, Bruce Morrison, EIT
	11:50	12:15	0:25	**Delegates Forum** Questions and discussion
	12:15	12:30	0:15	**Conference close and presentation of prizes**
Travel Home	12:30			Wednesday lunch isn't provided, but plenty of nearby options are available before you travel.