



RGPSA brings rural trainees together for a Vacuum-Assisted Delivery course

On Saturday June 29th, six Obstetric trainees and our RGPSA Obstetrics Advisor, Dr Kris Bascomb, took part in a ventouse delivery workshop provided by the Vacca Academy and funded by the RGPSA.

Participants undertook a theory session covering all aspects of safe ventouse use during delivery before getting hands-on with some practical sessions. It was great day of education and an excellent opportunity for colleagues based across rural SA to reunite and reconnect professionally and personally.

Dr Bascomb shared her reflections on the day:

'The Vacca workshop was an excellent training opportunity. Short, sharp and shiny, participants had done their pre-reading and pre-planning. The workshop gave them a chance to practice a simple, almost foolproof approach to a necessary obstetric skill. This shortcuts the time they spend learning vacuum skills in real life and catapults their skills and abilities forward by months. In addition, the workshop gave a great opportunity for the RG obstetric trainees to catch up with each other and swap knowledge and ideas- very handy with all RANZCOG, RACGP and ACRRM exams coming up shortly. A really good experience with lots of interaction and plenty of ah-ha moments for all.'



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