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Become a nursing leader of influence with the ACN’s master program

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) has developed a national Leadership MASTER one-day workshop series, tailored for nurse executives and nurses aspiring to an executive level role. The workshops commence in Sydney on 17 February, with the rest of the program being rolled out across all capital cities.

A component of the organisation’s Leadership@ACN initiative, this program will inspire participants to think critically about health care leadership and find their strategic ‘voice’ as key health executives, to provide improved health care leadership that ensures high quality care in the future.

David Bartlett, former Premier of Tasmania who has undertaken leadership studies at Harvard University, will facilitate the program, sharing his insights on adaptive leadership, which can be practically applied to the nursing work environment, where leadership is fundamental.

Attendees will be engaged in discussion and debate to further develop their leadership skills in how to:

• build strategies to influence policy outcomes
• understand the political landscape
• diagnose the adaptive challenges nurses face
• leverage technology in order to become a better leader
• develop professional peer-support networks
• design effective interventions
• orchestrate conflict

Spearheaded by Adjunct Professor Debra Thoms, CEO of ACN, the workshops are a result of the new vision and strategic direction of ACN, advancing nurse leadership to enhance healthcare outcomes for all.

“The health care environment is becoming increasingly complex and there is a clear link between nursing leadership, patient outcomes and recruitment and retention. A nurse’s leadership capability plays a critical role in how health services are delivered to the community.”

“That’s why we have developed Leadership@ACN. It’s designed to challenge and support the unique needs of nurses with different levels of experience - be they in a formal leadership role or interested in leadership,” said Professor Thoms.

With spaces strictly limited, register today to avoid missing out on the opportunity to upskill at a one-day workshop in a city near you:
- Sydney 17 February 2015
- Brisbane 19 February 2015
- Hobart 25 February 2015
- Canberra 17 March 2015
- Melbourne 19 March 2015
- Perth 26 May 2015
- Adelaide 16 June 2015
- Darwin 18 2015

**Cost:** ACN member $550 Non-member $700

For more information visit: [http://acn.edu.au/leadership](http://acn.edu.au/leadership)

Download the Leadership MASTER Series brochure [here](http://acn.edu.au/leadership)

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Adjunct Professor Debra Thoms, CEO of ACN
What is the ACN?

ACN, the national professional organisation for all nurse leaders, is an influential organisation that advocates for the:

- strategic development of both the nursing and broader health workforce
- models of care needed to deliver excellent health care outcomes
- nursing profession, advancing the skills and expertise of nurses to provide leadership in their contribution to the policy, practice and delivery of healthcare.