

Mentor database

Name	Location	Associated specialties	Areas of interest	Additional information
Dr Nicholas Christelis	Victoria	FANZCA	Management of all types of chronic pain including, craniofacial, pelvic, spinal, neuropathic, post-surgical persistent pain, using a multidisciplinary approach combined with pharmacotherapy and interventional pain. Specialising in the full suite of diagnostic and therapeutic interventional pain techniques as well as neuromodulation including spinal cord stimulators, DRG stimulators, craniofacial stimulation. He is also a father, husband and exerciser.	Dr Christelis is also co-founder and Director of Pain Specialists Australia (previously Victoria Pain Specialists) which is a multidisciplinary and interventional pain service that includes chronic pain, cancer pain and paediatric pain management. Mentoring is not only about the clinical aspects of pain but also the non-clinical aspects, of which there are many. Every good pain specialist has more than one mentor.
Dr Gajinder Oberoi	Tasmania	FANZCA	Holistic care of a Pain Patient including Interventional Techniques	Four decades of Pain Medicine experience including 26 years in Australia and Founding Director Pain Management Unit in Royal Hobart Hospital (1998). More than 20 Scientific Publications in Pain

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				Medicine / Anaesthesia; Co- Author book on Anaesthesia and Emergency.
Dr Michelle O'Brien	QLD	Anaesthesia	Multidisciplinary and multimodal pain management including intermittent and implantable neuromodulation	
Dr Marc Russo	Hunter Pain Clinic	Pain Medicine Physician	Management of chronic pain specialising in spinal cord stimulator implantation, intrathecal analgesia and other interventional pain medicine approaches with interests in neuromodulation, combination pharmacotherapy and systems approaches to pain management.	Dr Russo is also founder and Director of Innervate Pain Management which provides assessment and active coping skills for improving quality of life despite persistent pain.
Dr Clifton Timmins	Cairns, Far North Queensland	Anaesthetics	Delivering multidisciplinary services in a remote area private practice. Interventional pain treatment.	
Dr Wilbur Kar Man Chan	Princess Alexandra Hospital; Wesley Hospital	Rehabilitation medicine	Rehabilitation. Chronic pain. Medico-legal.	FAFRM FFPMANZCA

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Dr Susie Lord	Kaleidoscope Children's Complex Pain Service, Newcastle, NSW	Pain Medicine	Pain in Childhood and Adolescence	My email inbox often becomes overloaded. If my email response is delayed, please phone me.
Dr Venugopal Kochiyil	South Australia	FAFRM (RACP), FFPMANZCA		
Dr Diarmuid McCoy	Pain Matrix Geelong	FANZCA, FFPMANZCA, FCARCSI	Pain education, training and interventional.	Available for Australian and New Zealand trainees.
Dr Vahid Mohabbati	Sydney Pain Management Centre	FRACGP, FACHPM, FFPMANZCA	Pain interventions, neuromodulation, cancer pain and common pain conditions.	
Dr Duncan Wood	National Women's Pain Clinic, Auckland, New Zealand	Anaesthetics	Persistent pelvic/abdominal pain and pain in pregnancy	
Dr Jane Thomas	The Auckland Regional Pain Service	Anaesthetics	Paediatric and adolescent pain, regional analgesia, neuropathic pain	

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Dr Jordan Wood	Prince of Wales/Sydney Children's Hospital	Anaesthetics	Paediatric and Adult Pain Medicine. I do interventional pain management as part of a multidisciplinary team. Anaesthesia interests: paediatric + cardiac.	I work in both public and private practice.
Dr Meredith Craigie	Royal Adelaide Hospital	Anaesthetics	Paediatric and adolescent pain medicine, chronic pelvic pain, medical education particularly pain medicine	Will negotiate with DHB to try and accommodate a NZ trainee in Pain Medicine for training in interventions. Can train in Ultrasound-guided nerve blocks and musculoskeletal work and fluoroscopy-guided
Dr Enrique Collantes Celador	NSW	Pain Medicine and Anaesthesia	Medical Education	
Dr Matthew Bryant	QLD Townsville Hospital	Anaesthesia	Leadership, First Nations peoples (research, clinical pain medicine), Regional and rural practice, Primary care teaching	
Dr Olivia Ong	Monash Health, VIC	Rehabilitation Medicine	TAC and Workcover, Medicolegal, Neuropathic Pain, Pelvic Pain.	
Dr Palanisamy Vijayanand	South Canterbury DHB, Timaru (NZ)	Anaesthetics	Interventional Pain Medicine	

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				<p>spine and head & neck work. I perform 6-8 ultrasound-guided interventions/week and am waiting for a dedicated slot in theatres for fluoro-guided interventions. RF lesioning training - cervical, lumbar, sympathetic, gasserian etc, could be potentially offered next year.</p>
<p>Dr Amrita Prasad</p>	<p>QLD</p>	<p>Pain medicine and Rehabilitation Medicine</p>	<p>Teaching and mentorship. Persistent post-surgical pain, neuropathic pain and complex regional pain syndrome.</p>	<p>I was one of the first trainees to obtain endorsement in the Procedure Endorsement Program. I will be part of the Emerging Leaders Conference in 2024 as a moderator/mentor. I am currently doing a leadership course (Leading Edge) through Women & Leadership Australia to further build my leadership skills.</p>