



Australian and New Zealand Society of Blood Transfusion
East Asia, Pacific Islands Travel Awards

TRAVEL AWARD RECIPIENT REPORT

Location of Meeting: Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

Dates of Meeting: 13-16 November 2016

Travel Award Recipient Name: *Roselyn Livae*

Background:

Solomon Islands

Medical laboratory scientist,
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Educational Activities:

There are many things I learnt in the presentations I attended. I most enjoyed:

Disaster preparedness and recovery: Jennifer Owen, Neil Waters, and Peter Flanagan.

Pediatric and neonatal transfusion: Sunny Dzik USA, Naomi Luban USA.

Pediatric patient blood management: Helen Liley, QLD. Gemma Crighton, VIC.

An Update on emerging infectious threats: Peter Flanagan, NZ. Jim Buttery, VIC.

The Last Presentation: The air that They breathe: Sunny Dzik, USA.

When listening to these wonderful presentations, I feel I have been motivated to learn more by doing research in my area of work so that I can find where I need to upgrade and develop practice. Even though my country is not that rich there are some little things I can change to make my work place better.

Poster Presentations:

Poster 230

In this poster I learn the quality of Blood supply starts with the Blood donor screening, collection, serology screening, and storage. Giving quality blood product helps the Patient recover quickly and lessens transfusion reactions.

Poster 241

This is about inappropriate use of FFP, but in my setting, the common use pack cells in cases where patient can be given special diet or iron supplement is relevant. Our blood supply is very low so when we don't use what we have wisely it's very frustrating when there's no blood available.

Poster 221: Pre Hospital Transfusion.

Reminds me to check my storage when doing blood drives outside Town area.

After reviewing this poster I will check –Temperature, time of transportation and the cooler I use to transport my blood bags when I'm back in my country. This poster puts me back in track to always be mindful of few important things when going out for blood drives.

New Technology/Trade exhibition

There was equipment that interests me very much especially in blood bank. The new blood grouping and crossmatching machines were of interest to me. Even though it will be too expensive for my country to buy, I'm just so glad to have a look at how it works and to know that this technology exists.

Information/ Knowledge gained from attending the meeting.

I've learned so many things for my field of work. The information and knowledge gained from attending the conference is excellent and very informative and relevant to my field of work.

Informations and knowledge acquired will help in my line of work as I serve my people and my country in the medical field.

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