



## Introduction to Video-Assisted Thoracic Surgery (VATS)

Aimed at Set 1-3 ANZSCTS trainees and unaccredited registrars, this course intends to provide a theoretical and practical foundation for transitioning from open to minimally invasive thoracic surgical techniques with a focus on VATS wedge resection. Participants will engage in a discussion about definition, benefits, instrumentation, equipment, positioning, oncological efficacy, surgical technique as well as hearing from a range of Physicians instrumental in the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer. The practical component will take place on the second day and will involve transferring this knowledge to hands on practice in a live lab setting.

### AGENDA

#### Friday 5th September 2025 Flinders Medical Centre

- 12.30pm Arrive for 1.00pm
- 1.00pm Lunch
- 1.30pm Welcome and Introduction
- 1.45pm Medtronic-Technology update and demonstrations
- 2.30pm Technical aspect of surgical localisation of nodules
- 3.00pm Set up, procedural steps and technique of VATS wedge resection
- 3.30pm Radiologist-Interpreting a LDCT Scan
- 4.00pm Respiratory Physician-Management of detected nodules
- 4.30pm Oncologist-Neoadjuvant treatment
- 5.00pm Debrief & close
- 7.00pm Dinner @ Orso, Rose Park

#### Saturday 6th September 2025 SHMRI Gilles Plains

- 9.00am Introduction
- 9.30am Live lab
- 11.30am Lunch
- 12.30pm Live lab
- 1.45pm Debrief & close
- 2.00pm Depart



Date:

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025**  
**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2025**



Venue:

**Friday Dinner-Orso, Rose Park**  
**Saturday-SAHMRI**



RSVP:

**Register via your Medtronic Representative**

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