

# IMPROVING THE PRACTICE OF NUTRITION THERAPY IN THE CRITICALLY ILL: AN INTERNATIONAL QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

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NEWSLETTER



Critical Care  
Nutrition

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from:

- Australia
- Canada
- China
- France
- India
- Ireland
- Italy
- Mexico
- New Zealand
- Portugal
- South Africa
- South America
- Taiwan
- United Kingdom
- USA



Do you  
have  
questions?

- Check the instruction manual on the INS 08 resources page
- Read the Frequently Asked Questions document on the Critical Care Nutrition home page
- Ask the Project Manager Siouzy Morrison email address is below

Come to  
Sydney in Oct

The results of this year survey will be presented by Dr Daren Heyland at the Asia Pacific Critical Care Congress to be held in Sydney Oct-Nov 2008.

This years meeting promises to be very exciting and includes a strong focus on Intensive Care Nutrition. The meeting combines the 15<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Asia-Pacific Association of Critical Care Medicine, the 33<sup>rd</sup> Australian & New Zealand Annual Scientific Meeting on Intensive Care, the 14<sup>th</sup> Australian & New Zealand Paediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care Conference and the Australian Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (AuSPEN) Annual Scientific Meeting.

## Are you calculating the

As you know the Glasgow Coma Scale is an assessment of graded response in three domains: eye opening (E); verbal response (V) & motor response (M).

In clinical practice it is usual to select the worst of each of these categories.

However when used to calculate the APACHE II score we are asking you to choose the best response from each of the 3 categories for the previous 24 hours.

The final score used in the APACHE II is calculated by subtracting the actual GSC score from 15.

Hence we ask you for the highest value rather than the lowest.

International Nutrition Survey  
14th May 2008

8 weeks to go to complete  
online data entry

Keep checking the website for updates  
<http://www.criticalcarenutrition.com/>

## Is data entry finalised at your ICU?

Only answer yes to this question once you have entered complete data for all your enrolled patients and you have entered their outcome information (ICU/ hospital discharge).

If you have mistakenly entered yes you can correct this by clicking on 'Edit ICU information' on the ICU Status page. Once you have completed ALL data and outcome information for ALL of your enrolled patients answer yes to notify us that data entry is complete.

Go to: <http://www.intensivecareasm.com.au/content/view/91/121/> for



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