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Article: REGIS NSW's Ethics and Governance System

Audience: Research Office/Researchers




It became clear during a 2012 NSW Government review of health and medical research that reforming the human research ethics and governance application process was a top priority.

The previous system allowed public health organisations and local health districts in NSW to use their own forms and processes, making applications time consuming and labour intensive. Researchers and research officers establishing a study across multiple hospitals were required to fill out numerous forms for each site involved.

Read the full article here: <https://www.medicalresearch.nsw.gov.au/regis-nsws-ethics-and-governance-system/>

Meeting Closing Dates in REGIS

Audience: Research Office

A screenshot of a web form field. The field is labeled "Submission closing" and contains a date input field with the placeholder text "dd/mm/yyyy" and a calendar icon to its right.

Our team is in the process of updating all HREC meeting dates for 2023 on the OHMR website.

It is important to remember that the submission closing date in REGIS must match the advertised closing date.

Research Office Contribution

SCHN: mandatory pre-submission meeting

The SCHN Research Governance Office introduced a mandatory pre-submission meeting prior to submission of all new GTLR site applications in 2022. Applications submitted in REGIS without this meeting are made ineligible (although we gave our research community a 3month period of grace before being strict on this). The pre-submission meeting is a high-level overview of the project to assist in highlighting early any areas that have the potential to delay the review of the application e.g. whether contracts are required, ensuring all HOD's are included, appropriate logos for site versions of PICF's. It is not a pre-review of the documents in the application. We have multiple timeslots available throughout the week for researchers to book a 30min (max) appointment.

The pre-submission meeting has been extremely well received from both the RGO's and research teams. It has been a great opportunity to put faces to names, a chance to explain the RGO review process and reduced the number of RFI's. As of 1st March pre-submission meetings for LNR applications will also be mandatory. Please email us (SCHN-Governance@health.nsw.gov.au) or see our website for further information.



*Up next is **FWLHD!** We look forward to your contribution for Issue 4 - 28 February 2023*

Researcher/Coordinator Contributions

Are you part of a research team that has created some great resources or worked through an issue or teamed up with your Research Office to streamline a process? We know this newsletter is going out far and wide AND we also know YOUR colleagues would love to hear what you've been doing. Feel free to send in a short blurb about what you're up to and we'll sing your success from the rooftops!

Upcoming events and dates

Audience: Research Office/Researcher



2023 Events and Dates

Researcher Training: The first cycle of Researcher training will be held in **March** with three more cycles scheduled in **May, July and September**. [Register your interest here.](#)

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All previous version of the fortnightly email are available from the REGIS website: <https://regis.health.nsw.gov.au/news-and-events/regis-office-webinars/>