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Welcome Back!

Audience: Everyone



Welcome back! The REGU and REGIS team hope you enjoyed some well deserved time off over the Christmas and New Year break and are feeling refreshed and ready for 2024!

At the end of last year, we said farewell to our colleague Jackie Nie who has been enjoying her time away riding horses in Mongolia and visiting family (*yes, we are a little jealous*) before starting her next work adventure. The REGU team is excited to announce that a suitable replacement has been found, with more details to come in the next issue!

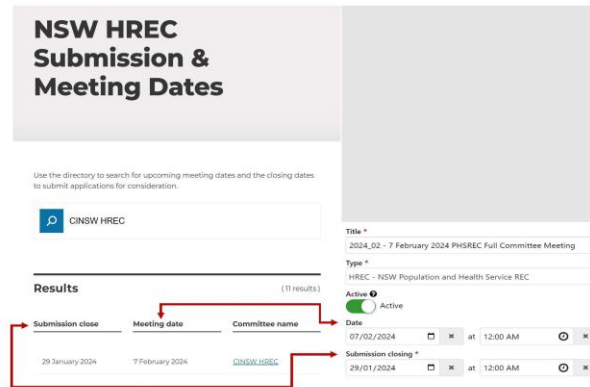
We hope you are still loving and finding value in our fortnightly newsletter that we started way back in February 2021! This year we would like to introduce you to the NSW Clinical Trial team who will be

contributing monthly articles, with their first contribution available in this newsletter - make sure to check it out!

2024 NSW HREC Submissions and Meeting Dates: Now Live on OHMR Website

Audience: Researcher/Research Office

The [NSW HREC submissions and meeting dates for 2024](#) are now available on the Office for Health and Medical Research (OHMR) website, under the Ethics & Governance page.



1 - HREC submission and meeting dates on OHMR website will match dates assigned to meeting in REGIS

The submission closing and meeting dates are publicly available and also appear on your reviewing research office's website. These dates are what your research office use in REGIS where meetings are setup, conducted and completed.

We encourage you to [head over to our website](#) where you can easily navigate and access content and resources for all things research ethics and governance related such as an overview of research ethics and governance, site authorisation and access requests, national mutual acceptance, clinical trials safety and monitoring, NSW research office contact details, metrics data and reports, policies and guidelines and REGIS!

REGIS Lunch & Learn Series for Research Offices: Playlist Available

Audience: Research Office

The eHealth REGIS Training and Communications SME is excited to announce the research office Lunch & Learn Series is now available as a playlist! The lunch and learn webinars are designed to provide refreshers for experienced users and an introduction to system processes and functionalities for new research office users, these webinars are also designed to empower research offices with valuable insights and the opportunity to up skills themselves in REGIS literacy.

[Access the Lunch & Learn Series playlist here!](#)

What to Expect:



- Engaging topics that matter to you and your office
- Best practices approach
- Opportunities to ask questions and participate in discussions
- A chance to connect with colleagues in a relaxed and informal setting

Upcoming Sessions:

Wednesday, February 28 2024: Removing Contacts from Applications and Projects

Wednesday March (TBC): TBA

Wednesday, April 10 2024: Processing Ethics Amendments: Importance of selecting the correct decision type

Wednesday, May 15 2024: How to update the CPI or PI if it has changed during the pre-approval process

Wednesday, June 12 2024: TBA

Teams invitations will be sent to all research offices in our contacts list, two weeks prior to the Lunch & Learn, if you do not receive an invitation please email REGIS@health.nsw.gov.au to be added to our contacts list

NSW Clinical Trial Community of Practice (CoP): Leading collaboration across NSW

Audience: Researcher/Research Office

Do you know of a clinical trial unit or team that you would like to shine a spotlight on?

The NSW Clinical Trial Community of Practice (CoP) is coordinated by clinicaltrialsNSW and brings together senior representatives from NSW Health, AHRTCs and MRIs. The CoP drives shared learning across the NSW clinical trials sector.

Members meet quarterly to share initiatives, improvements, and knowledge of national and international best practice, helping to establish NSW as a centre of excellence in clinical trials.

The upcoming Community of Practice meeting will be held on Monday February 12, 2024.



If you know of an initiative, project or process improvement and would like to showcase its success to the CoP, we'd love to hear from you!


If you haven't had a chance to connect with your local CoP member, contact the clinicaltrialsNSW team who can put you in touch with them. [Click here to contact clinicaltrialsNSW](#)

While membership is by appointment only, we welcome the opportunity to connect you to your local CoP member

Research Governance and Ethics Officer Role: Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network

Justice Health NSW research

We work with our staff and external partners to advance research in prisoner and forensic mental health. Learn about our researchers, our current projects and how to get ethics approval.

A photograph showing two women in an office environment. They are both looking at a laptop screen. The woman on the left has short blonde hair and is wearing a white top with a dark scarf. The woman on the right has short blonde hair, wears glasses, and a patterned white top. They appear to be in a collaborative work setting.

Audience: Research Office/Researcher

The Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network (JHFMHN) team are seeking an experienced Research Governance and Ethics Officer who is able to work independently and provide advice to a variety of stakeholders as well as having the ability to support the function high level committees such as the Justice Health Human Research Ethics Committee and the Research Advisory Committee.

The Research Governance and Ethics Officer works as an integral member of the Clinical and Corporate Governance team and is responsible for ensuring JHFMHN compliance with legislation, guidelines policies and procedures at national, state and local level governing the conduct of research.

For further information or to apply for this role, [please use this link](#) and for role related queries please contact Julia Bowman via email: Julia.Bowman@health.nsw.gov.au

Upcoming events and dates

Audience: Research Office/Researcher



2024 Events and Dates

Community of Practice (CoP) Meeting: The upcoming CoP meeting will be held on **Monday 12 February 2024**.

REGIS Research Office Lunch & Learn 2024: Five Lunch & Learn webinars have been scheduled for 2024, **February 28, March (TBC), April 10, May 15 and June 12**.

Research Office REGIS Training: The first cycle of Research Office training will be held in **February** with three more cycles scheduled in **April, June and August**. [Register your interest here](#).

Researcher REGIS 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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Audience: Research Office/Researcher

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/>

REGU/REGIS Newsletter: Inspiring other units within OHMR and LHDs since February 2021