



# REGU/REGIS Newsletter | Issue 8 | 23 April 2024

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## Forum Focus

**Audience:** Research Offices

Have you joined the conversation yet? Each newsletter we will highlight one of the questions/conversations in the forum. This week it's in the Research Governance category.

**Question:** I'm wondering who or what position in other LHDs sign on behalf of the institution for CTAs and Indemnity documents? Is the signatory the same person/position who provides approval for the study to be authorised, i.e. CE or CE delegate (SET member responsible for where the research activity will be undertaken) or someone else within the LHD i.e. Director of Manager of Research? And is there anything written within any NSW Health policies/procedures advising of this or is it just up to each LHD and as per delegations manual?

**Answer:** Head on over to the NSW Research Office Forum (category Research Governance) and join the conversation.

Feel free to join any of the conversations, the strength in this forum is your engagement.

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<https://nswhealthresearch.discourse.group/>

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## NSW Research Handbook Update

**Audience:** Researchers/Research Offices



We want to express our gratitude to everyone who took the time to share their thoughts and feedback on the NSW Research Handbook. We have received many positive comments and constructive suggestions, which have been invaluable in refining the handbook.

Our Senior Policy Officer, Janaye Fish, is hard at work finalising the last details of the handbook. We are excited about the progress and look forward to sharing the final draft with you later this year.

To keep you updated on the progress, we'll continue to provide regular updates through this newsletter. Thank you again for your contribution to this important project.

## ARCS 2024

**Audience:** Everyone

The 2024 ARCS Annual Conference will be held over three days, 12 – 14 June 2024, at the International Convention Centre (ICC), Darling Harbour, Sydney. The theme for this year is *The Future Of Medicine: The confluence of devices, drugs and data*.

The confluence of devices, drugs, and data represents a paradigm shift in healthcare delivery towards a more interconnected, personalized, and data-driven approach. This integrated approach has the potential to revolutionize how diseases are prevented, diagnosed, and treated, ultimately leading to better patient outcomes and more efficient healthcare systems.

The ARCS Annual Conference stands as the renowned must-attend industry event where Regulatory Authorities, Government, industry professionals, consumers, patients, practitioners, researchers, and academia come together to unite, educate, inform and network.

While the conference program is yet to be released, we are excited to announce that our REGIS Program Manager Kylie Becker will be presenting along side Shelley Burnett (CTMS), Tam Nguyen (St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne) and Jon Carrano (Pharmsite) on Change Management in Solution Implementation.



## InFORMed Webinar - Redesigning Consent to Research: Putting Patients and Participants at the Centre

**Audience:** Everyone

The Redesigning Consent to Research: Putting Patients and Participants at the Centre webinar will be held virtually Friday 17 May 2024 between 12:00pm - 1:30pm and will explore pathways forward in Australia to promote consumer-centred consent to research.

Registrations are now open! [Use this link to register](#) and join panels of experts, including our own Principal Policy Officer James Cokayne, to answer questions on:



- The ethical and legal role of Participant Information Sheets and Consent Forms (PICFs)
- Designing PICFs with patients and participants at the centre
- Moving forward with participant-centred research in Australia.

## Short Notice Accreditation Assessment Process (SNAAP)

**Audience:** Researcher

Is your clinical trial site ready for a Short Notice Accreditation Assessment Process?

During SNAAP, a health service is assessed against the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards, which may include the National Clinical Trials Governance Framework (NCTGF). It helps to identify gaps and offer support to improve safety and quality systems and processes in the health service.

Learn more from the [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](#).



The Australian Clinical Trials Alliance (ACTA) recently shared the SNAAP experience of 3 Victorian sites. If you missed it, you can watch a replay of the [webinar](#).

On 3 May, **clinicaltrialsNSW** will host a virtual meeting of the NCTGF Working Group, to share the experience from 2 NSW local health districts that participated in a SNAAP in quarter 1 2024.

If you're interested to learn more or haven't had a chance to connect with your local Working Group member, [contact the clinicaltrialsNSW team who can put you in touch with them](#).

## Upcoming events and dates

**Audience:** Research Office/Researcher



### 2024 Events and Dates

**REGIS Research Office Lunch & Learn 2024:** Lunch & Learn webinars have been scheduled for **May 15, June 12** and **11 July**. [Click here to view the themes, topics and previous Lunch & Learns](#).

**Research Office REGIS Training:** Research Office training will be held in **June** and **August**. [Register your interest here](#).

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

## Previous Versions of REGU/REGIS Newsletter

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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/>

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