

# REGU/REGIS Newsletter | 2025 Issue 1 | 21 January 2025

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## New REGIS eLearning Module Available for NSW Health Staff

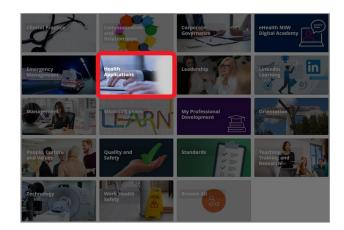
#### REGIS: Post-Approval Fundamentals for Researchers & Coordinators

#### Audience: NSW Health Staff

With the successful launch of REGIS: The Fundamentals for Researchers & Coordinators eLearning module last year, a REGIS: Post-Approval Fundamentals for Researchers & Coordinators was created and launched at the end of December 2024.

This module looks at the fundamentals of post-approval activities for projects in REGIS, such as creating ethics and site amendments, safety reporting and milestones. Users will gain an understanding of the different types of amendments, safety reporting and milestones, user roles and permissions and system automation and once successfully completed, a certificate is issued.

On completion of this module, users will have the necessary skills and knowledge to understand the difference between user roles, permissions and submission rights, navigate through the different types ethics and site amendments, safety notifications and milestones, understand what happens upon approval e.g. system automation and flow on to related sites and who receives system acknowledgment and approval emails.



1 - You can access the Health Applications via the Catalogue search option



2 - Any further REGIS modules will appear under this tile



3 - Great for new starters!

NSW Health staff can access the REGIS eLearning modules using the links below:

**REGIS:** The Fundamentals for Researchers & Coordinators

**<u>REGIS: The Post-Approval Fundamentals for Researchers & Coordinators</u>** 

# Upcoming REGIS Release

#### Head of Department Functionality and User Experience Improvements

#### Audience: Everyone

Based off feedback provided by Heads of Department that responded to the Use and Barriers of REGIS survey that was distributed in September 2024, the REGIS team are continuing to make enhancements and configuration updates to the Head of Department process in REGIS.



The first of a series of enhancement and configuration changes occurred on 2 December 2024 and is continuing through early 2025 with the aim of incremental improvements. The next scheduled enhancement and configuration changes is scheduled for 12 February 2025.

Some of the changes you will see with this release will be around plain English summaries and clearer instructions in parts A and C of the site application form, less acronyms and easier access to documents for review.

We encourage all Heads of Department to provide feedback on the changes, to ascertain if they have provided a better experience and what we can do to further improve.

# NSW Health Intellectual Property and Commercialisation Support Hub

#### Audience: NSW Health Staff

The Office for Health and Medical Research Enterprise team has officially launched the <u>NSW</u> <u>Health Intellectual Property and Commercialisation Support Hub</u>.



The Hub is designed to be the go-to-source for all things related to the *Intellectual Property arising from Health Research Policy Directive* and the Central Support Service. It provides easy access to information and support to ensure that NSW Health is using and managing intellectual property to the best possible extent and realising the flow-on benefits to employees, Public Health Organisations and the heath system more broadly.

A range of resources such as guidance documents, template agreements, sample clauses, fact sheets and case studies are available for you to access and use or share with your stakeholders in Public Health Organisations.

To learn more about key intellectual property and commercialisation concepts and the Policy Directive, please visit the <u>NSW Health Intellectual Property and Commercialisation Support Hub</u>, accessible to all NSW Health employees.

# NSW Clinical Trials Quality Recognition Scheme: EOIs Now Open

Audience: Directors of Research/Clinical Trial Unit Managers/Quality Managers



The NSW Clinical Trials Quality Recognition Scheme (QRS) is gearing up for its launch and will be open for participation starting February 2025. This initiative assesses the quality conduct of clinical trial units across the state. Through an audit process, the QRS will recognise trial units that excel in operational quality, risk management, and participant safety. This recognition highlights best practices and assists units in meeting standards, building capability and creating an enabling environment for conduct of high-quality clinical trials in NSW. The Scheme is applicable to units conducting all phases of clinical trials. Participation is voluntary, with initial site selection based on expressions of interest and a prioritisation method.

Key Dates: Expressions of Interest to participate are now open for all 2025 Rounds.

Round 1 (3rd February 2025 to 23rd May 2025) EOI has been extended and will close at **5pm AEDT on Monday 3rd February 2025.** The form remains open for Rounds 2 and 3.

Complete and submit the Expression of Interest form

Stay tuned for more updates as we approach the launch date. Together, let's elevate the standards of clinical trials in NSW!

For full details on the Scheme, please visit our webpage: <u>NSW Health & Medical Research</u> <u>Quality Recognition Scheme</u>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the QRS Central Office at <u>MOH-</u> <u>QRS@health.nsw.gov.au</u>



## Join the Medical Devices Fund Expert Panel

#### Audience: Everyone

Are you an expert in the medtech and biotech sector who wants to play a key role in ensuring the NSW Government can support the growth of the state's dynamic and respected medical devices sector?

The Office for Health and Medical Research is seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified people to join the NSW Medical Devices Fund Expert Panel. The Expert Panel is responsible for assessing applications to the Fund, making recommendations on projects to be funded, providing ongoing mentoring to funding recipients, and providing advice to NSW Health on the delivery of the Fund.

As a member of the Expert Panel, you will play a key role in ensuring the NSW Government can identify promising opportunities and support the state's medical devices sector to grow.

#### Learn more about the requirements and apply here

Applicants must be either located in NSW, or otherwise have an active understanding of the NSW life sciences ecosystem.

The NSW Government recognises the need for individuals with the right mix of skills and experience, who represent the diverse NSW community on its boards and committees. This includes Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people, a mix of genders and ages, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, people with a disability, and the LGBTIQ+ community.

*Expressions of interest close at* **5pm AEDT Monday 3rd February 2025.** If you have any questions about this process, please reach out to the <u>Medical Devices Fund Secretariat</u>.

### Survey Corner

The Research Ethics and Governance Unit (REGU) is committed to continuous improvement and delivering the best possible experience and resources for our stakeholders. To help us achieve this, we regularly seek feedback to:

- Improve our current processes and ensure we are meeting your needs.
- Gather input on stakeholder-facing documents as we work to make them more clear, relevant, and user-friendly.
- Identify areas for innovation based on your insights.



Your feedback is essential to shaping the work we do and ensuring that it aligns with your expectations, we are also conscious of the potential for 'survey fatigue' so that is why we have created a dedicated survey section in this newsletter called 'Survey Corner'.

Here we will group together surveys we are seeking your feedback on, and share surveys from our colleagues in the Office for Health and Medical Research.

We would like to invite you to take a few minutes to complete the short surveys below, based on your role which is identified in the 'Audience' section. Your thoughts and suggestions truly matter to us!

Looks like we don't have any surveys for this issue, make sure to keep an eye out in our next issue!

## Upcoming events and dates

Audience: Research Office/Researcher



#### 2025 Dates and Events

**Research Office REGIS Training:** Registrations for Research Office training is now open! <u>Click</u> <u>here</u> to register.

**Researcher REGIS Training:** Registrations for Researcher training is now open! <u>Click here</u> to register.

**11-13 February:** CCLHD 2025 Research & Innovation Symposium: This symposium will be held over three days, 11 February - 13 February. You can review the <u>Book of Proceedings here</u> and for further information, contact <u>CCLHD-ResearchSymposium@health.nsw.gov.au</u>.

12 February: REGIS release. Head of Department improvements version 2

# Previous Versions of REGU/REGIS Newsletter

Audience: Research Office/Researcher

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

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