

AGENDA

Day 1: Ethics Management & Training

9.00 – 9.10 Registration (welcome coffee/tea)

9.10 – 9.30 Welcome

9.30 – 10.00

Understanding consent in research involving children: A resource for researchers and HRECs

Merle Spriggs, Research Fellow, Murdoch Children's Research Institute

10.00 – 11.00

Developing a members' tool kit – pool resources to develop a tool kit for members

11.00 – 11.15 morning tea

11.15 – 12.15

Integrating IT into the review process

Karolyn White, Director, Research Ethics, Macquarie University

Tony Callahan and Kate Murphy, Melbourne University

12.15 – 12.45

Research Integrity Training Courses - Part 1: Introduction to an online RITC

Colin Thomson

12.45 – 2.00 lunch

During lunch computer terminals will be available to allow people to trial the RITM and access the other IT resources presented during the morning session

2.00 – 2.30

Research Integrity Training Courses - Part 2: feedback on RITC, discussion of future directions for development of module/training aids

Colin Thomson

2.30 – 3.00

Challenges in ethics - Part 1: Identification of discussion topics, self select groups

3.00 – 3.15 Afternoon tea

3.15 – 4.30

Challenges in ethics – Part 2: Discussion groups on challenges in ethics

4.30 - 4.45

Report back on discussion groups

6.30 Drinks – Harbourfront (complimentary)

7.30 Dinner – Harbourfront (\$40/head, drinks complimentary)

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Day 2: HREC review – current systems, future directions

9.15 – coffee/tea

9.30 – 10.00

The New Zealand experience

Tim Dare, Chair NZ Health Research Council Ethics Committee

10.00 – 10.30

A specialist HREC: The NSW Aboriginal Health and Medical Research
Council HREC

Bob Davidson, Secretary AHMRC HREC

10.30 - 10.45 morning tea

10.45 – 11.15

Single ethical review for multi-site research: Working with the NSW Health
system

Sharon Falliero, Ethics Coordinator, Research, Cancer Institute NSW

11.15 - 11.45

An update on the development of the nationally harmonised system for
streamlined ethical review

Ellen Kittson, Director, Research Integrity, NHMRC

11.45 – 12.30

Chapter meetings

12.30 – 1.45 lunch

1.45 – 2.15

International approaches to research ethics

Colin Thomson

2.15 – 3.00

Ethics and the national research agenda

Tim Dyke, Executive Director NHMRC Quality and Regulation Branch;

Liz Jazwinska, ARC

Overview of future directions in the Australian research framework that will
impact on HRECs, followed by an open discussion

3.00 – 3.15 afternoon tea/close