



The Research Development Unit presents

Single Ethical Review and the Research Governance Service

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<u>Venue</u>	MacDonald Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor, PMH Administration Building (entrance from Roberts Road)
<u>Who</u>	Open to all staff involved in research

Single ethical review of multi-site human research within WA Health was introduced in 2013, as a forerunner for the introduction of the National Mutual Acceptance (NMA) process. This has allowed administrative processes involved in authorising research projects at multiple sites with one ethical review to be established prior to legally joining the NMA. The NMA will provide WA Health sites the ability to accept ethical approval from a Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) sponsored by a public sector Australian institution.

Members of the NMA are required to have the capability of a web-based research governance platform to submit, track and report on applications. WA Health has been developing the Research Governance Service (RGS) IT platform to meet the NMA requirements and sign the Memorandum of Understanding in 2017. Stage 1 of the RGS is due for release in November 2016 and extra capabilities to support the NMA will be released over 2017.

The RGS provides a collaborative workspace for investigators, project members, sponsors, institutions, research governance offices and HRECs to govern and report on research through the life cycle of the project, from initial application to publication. All research projects conducted within WA Health must utilise the RGS.

Information sessions are being held across WA Health so that everyone who intends conducting research can find out how the process will work in the RGS.

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