

Concept Development Workshop for Investigators

Friday 10th July 2009

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This one day workshop will help clinical investigators develop new clinical trial concepts. It will provide information, advice and guidance on how to develop a concept outline from an initial idea or clinical question by specifying a suitable aim, objectives, population, interventions, study design, outcome measures, sample size, analysis plan and funding strategy, as well as further tips and hints on developing your proposal into a funding application and full study protocol.

Who should attend?

This workshop is designed for investigators who have an idea for a clinical trial and are suitably qualified individuals pursuing clinical research. Investigators from any therapeutic area or discipline are able to attend.

Workshop Registration – Please register your interest by COB Thursday 25th of June 2009 as there are a limited number of spaces in the workshop. A fee of \$100 will be payable at registration to offset administrative costs. Travel expenses to the workshop will be the responsibility of the participant.

What should you do to prepare?

Each participant will be required to bring a concept outline for a study or a protocol currently being written. This will be developed further during the workshop. A template for a concept outline will be provided to each participant on registration.

A draft concept outline for your study must be submitted for review by the workshop faculty by COB Tuesday 7th of July 2009.

Workshop Faculty

The workshop faculty based at the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre has extensive experience and expertise in the development of clinical trials, teaching clinical trials methods, statistical design and analyses.

Professor John Simes, Clinical Director of the CTC
Associate Professor Martin Stockler, CTC Oncology Co-Director
Dr Corona Gainford, Oncology Research Fellow
Ms Diana Zannino, CTC Biostatistician
Mr Chris Brown, CTC Biostatistician
Dr Wendy Hague, Clinical Trials Program Director
Ms Danielle Miller, Oncology Program Manager
Mr Angus McDonald, Strategic Research Assistant

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Workshop Sponsors

This workshop is being convened by the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre at The University of Sydney in collaboration with the Cancer Institute NSW.

Venue & Times

The second of three workshops for 2009 will be held at the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre in the Medical Foundation Building Auditorium at 92-94 Parramatta Rd, Camperdown NSW 2042. The workshop will commence at 9 a.m. and finish at 5 p.m.

Workshop Program

The program will include a number of interactive sessions and topics including:

- *Structure and Purpose of a Concept Outline*
- *Developing a Health Intervention*
- *Trial Design and Sample Size Calculations*
- *Specifying Suitable Target Populations*
- *Outcomes*
- *Feasibility and Funding Strategies*

The program format will consist of a combination of presentations, exercises and interactive group discussions. Participants will work on their proposed concepts throughout the day and present them for discussion and feedback in small group sessions supported by faculty experts.

Further Information

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