Course aim and objectives
This one day workshop will help clinical and scientific investigators refine their concept into a proposal for a clinical trial and/or translational research study. It will provide information, advice and guidance on how to develop a concept outline from an initial idea or clinical/scientific 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, letter of intent (LOI) or a full study protocol.

Who should attend
This workshop is designed for investigators (including clinicians & basic scientists) who have an idea for a clinical trial or translational research study or are suitably qualified individuals pursuing clinical research. Investigators from any therapeutic area or discipline are welcome to attend.

Required preparation
Participants are required to submit a brief outline of their proposed study in their registration by Friday, 24th October 2014. A concept template will then be provided to attendees for preparation prior to the workshop.

Workshop program
Facilitating the development of proposals will be faculty from the NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre (CTC), and may include a clinician, statistician and translational researcher. 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.

Topics will include
- Developing a health intervention
- Background and rationale
- Aims, objectives, hypotheses
- Study design
- Population, setting, interventions
- Developing and analysing a new biomarker

How to register
Please complete the online form via the CTC website: www.ctc.usyd.edu.au/conceptdevelopmentworkshop
Places are limited, so please register early.