PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

Project title:
Enhancing New Zealand Clinical Trials

Research team:

co-PIs

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What does the study involve?

- Participation in the survey is voluntary, you are free to decline to participate, or to withdraw from the research at any practicable time, without experiencing any disadvantage.

- There is the opportunity to significantly enhance clinical trials research in the public health system within Aotearoa New Zealand, addressing key infrastructure needs, inequity in access to and participation in clinical trials and enhancing capability throughout Aotearoa New Zealand.

- The anonymous survey will help us understand the current state of clinical trials in New Zealand from a researcher’s perspective.

- You have been selected to participate because of your involvement in publicly funded clinical trials in New Zealand.

- The survey should take <25 min to take depending on your role in clinical trials.

- Survey data will be securely stored and all information will be anonymous.

- No health information will be collected.

- Questions will relate to your role in clinical trials.

Benefits and risks

- This survey will help us better understand the needs of clinical trialists in New Zealand. Findings will help us to develop an infrastructure roadmap and operations model for clinical trials in New Zealand.

- As a participant, there is a risk that you may feel uncomfortable answering the questions. All questions are skippable and you may opt out of participating. If at any time you do not want to answer a question, you may choose to skip it.
Who pays for the study?

- This scoping review project is being jointly funded by the Ministry of Health and Health Research Council.

- As a survey respondent, you will not receive compensation to take the survey.

Rights of the participant(s)

Participation is voluntary:

- Participation in the survey is voluntary and participation or opting out of participating will not result in any disadvantage.

Withdrawal from participation and withdrawal of data:

- Participants have the right to withdraw from participation at any time without any disadvantage.

Confidentiality and anonymity:

- You will participate in the survey anonymously.

- All survey findings will be summarised and may be included in the final report to the MoH and HRC; no personal information will be identifiable.

- The survey will take place using SurveyMonkey, which is encrypted and secure. SurveyMonkey has achieved ISO 27001 certification. Raw survey data will be stored on a University password protected server.

What will happen after the study

- Survey data will be stored on a University password protected server until 6 years’ time, when it will be securely destroyed.

- The raw survey data will not be distributed.

- If you wish to receive updates on this scoping review project, you may choose to provide your email at the end of the survey. We will inform you of the project as it progresses and its completion.

- The project will be completed May 2022.

Contact Details, additional Māori support wording and Approval Wording

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If you require Māori cultural support, talk to your whānau in the first instance. You may also contact the administrator for He Kamaka Waiora (Māori Health Team) by telephoning 09 486 8324 ext 2324, or contact the Auckland and Waitematā District Health Boards Māori Research Committee or Māori Research Advisor by phoning 09 4868920 ext 3204 to discuss any questions or complaints about the study.

AHREC Chair contact details:

For concerns of an ethical nature, you can contact the Chair of the Auckland Health Research Ethics Committee at ahrec@auckland.ac.nz or at 373 7599 x 83711, or at
Auckland Health Research Ethics Committee, The University of Auckland, Private Bag 92019, Auckland 1142.

Approved by the Auckland Health Research Ethics Committee on 20/05/2021 for three years. Reference number AH22698.