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ClinTrial Refer Welcomes the Support of Myeloma Australia



ClinTrial Refer has a growing list of supporters that play a vital role in raising awareness of ClinTrial Refer as a valuable tool to connect to current clinical trial options across a variety of therapeutic areas.

We'd like to acknowledge and thank Myeloma Australia for their support in helping raise awareness of ClinTrial Refer as an important resource to access current clinical trials.

Myeloma Australia is the only Australian myeloma specific not-for-profit organisation. They exist to support, educate, inform, empower and bring hope to people who are living with myeloma, and their loved ones. They also raise community awareness and understanding of myeloma; educate health professionals involved in the care and treatment of those living with myeloma; advocate for improved patient access to the latest treatments at affordable prices; and facilitate myeloma research in Australia.

Myeloma Australia provides up to date information and support via specialist myeloma nurses. All their services are provided free of charge and include:

- Myeloma Support Nurses
- Myeloma Telephone Support Line
- Information and Support Groups
- Myeloma publications and fact sheets
- Myeloma seminars, workshops and video links

To learn more about Myeloma Australia, click [here](#).

Trial Spotlight



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On average 28 trials are listed in the ClinTrial Refer database every month

We aim to highlight some of these in our newsletter each month

Search CTR website 

Meet Our App Managers



ClinTrial Refer App Managers are key to making current clinical trials more open and accessible. They work behind the scenes to ensure that clinicians, patients and carers have access to current clinical trial information that might be relevant to them.

We thought you should know who these amazing individuals are and so this year we plan to introduce you to them by featuring a Q&A with one dedicated App manager each month in our newsletter.

This month we introduce you to **Deborah Mathews** from the South Metropolitan Health Service (SMHS). SMHS deliver hospital and community-based public health care services across the southern half of Perth. Deborah is responsible for managing the communication of ~120 trials across multiple disciplines within the SMHS hospital network which includes Fiona Stanley Hospital, Rockingham General Hospital and Fremantle Hospital.

Tell us a little bit about yourself and your role in addition to being a ClinTrial Refer App Manager.

‘Currently I am the Acting Manager of the South Metropolitan Health Service (SMHS), Research Support & Development Unit (RSDU) and have been in this role for over 12 months. I worked across many different Ethics and Governance roles within SMHS prior to taking on the Acting Manager position and have seen many changes occur especially when the COVID-19 pandemic hit Australia.’

Why do you think Clinical trials are important?

‘Clinical Trials are so important to our community to assist in the development of tests, devices and new medical treatments, to not only assist those hopefully on the trial but others who are suffering or not having a great quality of life. New treatments for many diseases and conditions have been developed through successful clinical trials which help people to be in less pain and to live longer & spend more time with their family and friends.’

If you could wave a magic wand and change one thing in clinical trials what would it be?

‘To get the word out there earlier that research exists and how we can all get involved to help each other on this planet. Many people unfortunately don’t know about research, how they can get involved and its big impacts until something goes wrong or they require treatment for a new

diagnosis, and this is when most people are receiving information overload. Prevention is key and knowledge is power!

What's a current highlight at your site?

'Currently within the RSDU we are setting up a Community Booth within the entry of Fiona Stanley Hospital, where we will have a dedicated space to show staff and patients that research is within our hospital and how to link into that, including via ClinTrial Refer'.

Thank-you Deborah for all the awesome work you do. Your dedication can mean the difference between someone having access to a potentially life changing clinical trial or not!

4th Australasian Ocular Melanoma Alliance (AOMA) Summit



The AOMA Virtual Summit will bring together healthcare professionals, researchers, and consumers in ocular melanoma to share the latest research and facilitate national and international collaborations for this rare, debilitating and often devastating cancer.

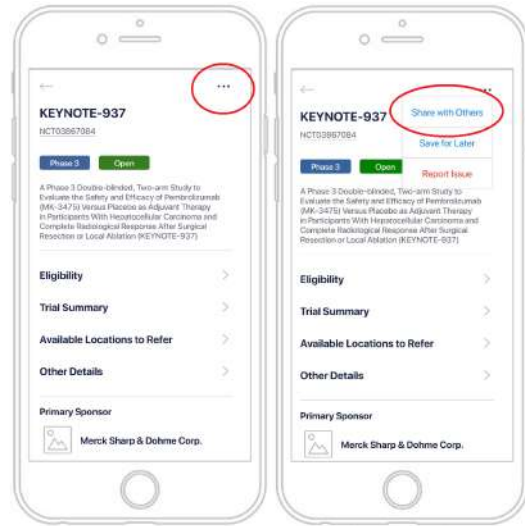
When: Saturday, 24 June 2023

Where: Online and Free

Register [here](#).

ClinTrial Refer App Features- How to Share Trials

Did you know that you can share trials you find in the App with other users? Once you have identified a trial you would like to share, simply click the menu in the top right and click 'Share with Others'. This will provide you with multiple options to share the trial such as email, text, whats app or other social media apps. Simple!



Open the trial you would like to share, and click the menu on the top right.

Click "Share with Others". You will have the option to share the trial by email or other social media app.

Do you have something to share?

Share your story if you have taken part in a clinical trial or supported someone through a trial. Your stories and thoughts are important to us and can be a great encouragement to others. If you'd like to share a clinical trial story please email us at admin@clintrialreferapp.com. We'd love to hear from you.



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