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We encourage any individual, whether employed by The University of Queensland (UQ) or Metro North Health, to include the STARS Education and Research Alliance (SERA) affiliation on their outputs (conference abstracts, journal articles etc), especially where it involves research collaboration with the Surgical, Treatment and Rehabilitation Service (STARS), or it involves STARS patients or STARS facilities. This will help us to promote the important partnership between UQ and Metro North Health and promote STARS as a research-active hospital. The correct use of affiliations assists with reporting of outputs and impacts associated with the Alliance via corporate dashboards.

SERA Affiliation:

The STARS Education and Research Alliance is a 20-year partnership between The University of Queensland and Metro North Health. The Alliance brings together world-leading researchers, clinicians, and educators to create knowledge and embed clinical research that transforms patient outcomes and clinical care. The Alliance includes conjoint staff, research fellows, research and education support staff, clinical educators, two co-located research centres QARC and the RECOVER Injury Research Centre and all STARS staff involved in research and education activities.

- STARS Education and Research Alliance, Surgical Treatment and Rehabilitation Service (STARS), The University of Queensland and Metro North Health.

STARS affiliation:

*If a STARS clinician is involved in your project, they are welcome to use the Alliance affiliation but if they prefer to use their clinical affiliation, the correct affiliation for the **STARS hospital** is below.*

- Surgical, Treatment and Rehabilitation Service (STARS), Metro North Health, Brisbane, QLD, Australia.

UQ affiliation: (refer to section 3 of UQ's [Authorship Procedure](#))

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Example

Individuals may use multiple affiliations (eg UQ school, centre etc) in their outputs, for example:

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Further information

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Collaborators should discuss authorship at all stages of the research and establish an agreement on authorship (this can be via email or other similar evidence of agreement – a simple template is outlined below). Section 2 of the Authorship Guide acknowledges that authorship conventions vary across disciplines, journals, or institutions. At a minimum, an author must agree to be listed as an author and have made a **significant intellectual** or **scholarly contribution** to the research and its output. Specifically, an author should have contributed to a combination of two or more of the following:

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