

Email invitation message

Dear Colleague,

We invite you to participate in a short electronic survey of vascular access device (VAD) workforce models; VAD selection and decision-making; and training and education. This survey will collect information from healthcare professionals with experience in VAD insertion and management across Australia and New Zealand.

We would also very much appreciate and encourage you to forward this invitation to any colleagues who may also have experience and interest in VADs.

Why we are conducting this Survey:

Vascular access teams may improve patient outcomes and experience, and healthcare efficiency, however, their uptake across Australia and New Zealand has been limited. We hope to gain an understanding of current practices to benchmark against international best practice. This will assist in developing future research priorities to support the establishment of best practice standards of care in VAD insertion and management in our region.

What we are asking you to do:

The survey is anonymous and has received institutional ethics approvals (Griffith University: 2022/825; NZ Health and Disability Ethics Committees: HDEC-260523 and Waitaha Canterbury Local Research Office Authorisation: RO-23146). It should take around 10-15 minutes of your time to complete the survey. There are no foreseeable risks associated with participation in this research. Completion of the survey will imply consent to participate and once you have submitted the survey, you will not be able to withdraw this consent as no identifying details of your submission will be kept and all responses will be aggregated. **Please complete the survey only once.**

Once you have read all the information below and if you decide to participate, please use the QR Code or click on this link to complete:

<https://redcap.link/vatworkforcesurvey>



Other important information for you to read and understand:

This survey will be open until 31st of January 2024

Research results will be reported to participating organisations (e.g., AVAS, IVNNZ, ACIPC, ACCCN and AVATAR) and will be disseminated via journal articles and/or conference presentations.

Electronic survey results and any other research materials will be stored electronically on a secure Griffith University platform (Research Space) for a period of five years from the date of the final publication before being destroyed.

Please contact one of the below emails if you would like a plain-language summary explanation of our research or any further information about the Survey. Thank you for support.

Kind regards

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