## **Human Research Ethics Committee**

Metro North Health A EC00172

## Projects granted a waiver of consent in 2024

In certain circumstances, it is justifiable to grant a waiver of consent, as opposed to obtaining informed consent from research participants. Conditions for granting a waiver of consent are outlined in Section 2.3.10 of the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research 2023. In accordance with the National Statement each institution has a responsibility to make accessible summary descriptions for research projects for which consent has been waived. Table 1 contains a full list of research projects granted a waiver of consent as per the National Statement by Metro North Health A Human Research Ethics Committee EC00172.

## Table 1: Research Projects granted a waiver of consent in 2024

AMS for Dentistry

Management of groin nodes in early vulval cancer: patterns of care in a Queensland population.

Histological analysis of gallbladder specimens; determinants of incidental gallbladder cancer in an Australian cohort.

Patient Perspectives of Awake Endovascular Aneurysm Repair for Ruptured Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm.

Outcomes of patients undergoing Power Spiral Enteroscopy, an Australian multi-centre retrospective audit.

The Impact of Digital Hospitals on Patients: A Secondary Analysis of Patient Reported Experience Measures.

Measuring what matters to patients: Identifying and implementing patient-centred outcome measures for patients referred for bariatric surgery.

A retrospective review of characteristics and outcomes of patients diagnosed with acute myeloid leukaemia with mutated NPM1 and myelodysplasia-related gene mutations.

Ambulance Telehealth: Comparing Telehealth Outcomes of Non-English Speaking Patients to English Proficient Patients.

An analysis of falls in Residential Aged Care Facility (RACFs) across the Sunshine Coast District (SCD) and Queensland Ambulance Service response.

Risk of missing small bowel neoplasms on small bowel video capsule endoscopy.

An analysis of contemporary ablation of atrial fibrillation at an Australian quaternary centre.

Identifying vulnerable intracranial aneurysms using MR vessel wall imaging and correlating with intra-aneurysmal computational fluid dynamics, aneurysm morphology and aneurysm thin-walled regions.

Pregnancy Outcomes with Maternal Primary Adrenal insufficiency: A Case Series.

Papillary lesions of the breast- upgrade rates and imaging characteristics predictive of an occult malignancy.

Presence and Laterality of Endometriosis in Adolescent Patients with Obstructed Mullerian Duct Anomalies – A Retrospective Analysis.



Evaluating the use of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (Queensland Section)'s telehealth and medical chest services.

Outcomes following tourniquet use for the management of acute limb trauma in Queensland, Australia: a retrospective study.

Barriers and facilitators to physical activity for transplant recipients; developing a Patient and Public Involvement and engagement framework (PA-PPI).

Co-design of a pre-surgical intervention for men treated for prostate cancer (The CODE Study).

Evaluation of CADx artificial intelligence (AI) on diagnosis of polyps.

Hypoglycaemia following intravenous insulin for hyperkalameia in the Emergency Department.

Comparative study of long-term outcomes after management of pulmonary embolism.

Preventable Respiratory Viruses and Other Notifiable Conditions in Queensland (PRVONC-QLD).

Therapeutic drugs monitoring (TDM) for b-lactam antibiotics at the RBWH.

Detector based spectral CT for the detection of non-calcified gallstones.

Microplastics in Reactive Mediastinal Lymph Nodes Prospective— MR\_MeLN\_Pro Study.

New directions in distal pancreatectomy and splenectomy; a multi-centre Five-year review of practice in Queensland.

A retrospective analysis of number of lymph nodes evaluated in patients with colorectal cancer and whether there is benefit in increasing the number of lymph nodes for prognostication.

Comparison of Outcomes of Transcatheter Edge to Edge Repair with Early Versus Late Generation Mitraclips for Severe Mitral Regurgitation.

A Retrospective Evaluation of Capillary Blood Glucose Levels for the Diagnosis of Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM).

Carcinoid Heart Disease (CHD) in patients with metastatic neuroendocrine tumour: a population-based study from Queensland, Australia.

Management of subungual haematomas in patients with bleeding disorders: A retrospective case series.

Consumers who received a medico-legal report from a mental health court liaison service: Characteristics and court outcomes.

Hospital-based service utilisation in the last year of life by individuals receiving Kidney Supportive Care.

Prevalence of peripheral vestibular dysfunction and associations with activity limitations and recovery in adults with moderate-to-severe traumatic brain injury (TBI).

The utilisation of tumour volume on <sup>68</sup>Ga-DOTATATE PET-CT to predict treatment response to Lutitium-<sup>177</sup> for metastatic neuroendocrine tumours.

Preterm births on flights – only in real life, none in real life: a retrospective study on preterm births in aeromedical transfers by Retrieval Services Queensland.

Lung transplant outcome project.
Improving the health system's response when patients are harmed: A mixed-methods study Aim 2: Leveraging large language models to support incident analysis and learning.
Dexamphetamine use in pregnancy.
Birth pool use during labour and birth for women with complexity: an international feasibility study.
Prospective Clinical Outcomes Following Colonoscopy in an Australian Cohort (PROOF).
Supporting flexibility in care: A case series exploring brief intervention pathways for consumers with multi-diagnostic eating disorder presentations.
Evaluating the Impact of ieMR Implementation on HbA1c levels in Diabetes Outpatient Care: A retrospective observational study.
A Collaborative Decision-Making Framework for Safer Patient Placement After Medical Emergency Team Review—The COMFORTER Study.
The Health Economic impact of the Stryker Mako Robot for primary total hip replacement and total knee replacement: A Single Centre Experience.
Reducing blood culture contamination with the use of a needle-less blood draw device (PIVO Pro): An adaptive group sequential randomized controlled trial (The PIVO Trial).
Evaluation of the implementation of a virtual reality therapy program for communication rehabilitation.
Feasibility of Ultrasound Imaging of Late Radiation Treatment Effects in Head/Neck Cancer Survivors (ULTRA Late-RAD).