

CMHDARN ETHICS CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

SUPPORTING ETHICAL
RESEARCH WITH AOD
AND MENTAL HEALTH
CONSUMERS

Would you like
to engage in
ethical research...

...to improve
the delivery of
effective services
to consumers?



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The CMHDARN Research Ethics Consultation Committee (RECC) has been established to provide ethical guidance to researchers and research participants. The RECC provides a researchers' forum for ongoing consultation and guidance in matters of ethics regarding human research enquiries within the mental health and alcohol and other drug communities.

In considering your research project you might be asking yourself a number of questions:

- How can I conduct my research ethically?
- How do I get my proposal through an ethics process?
- What is/are my research question/s?
- Does this method of enquiry give rise to ethical considerations?
- What do I need to do when approaching participants?
- What information do I need to provide participants with?
- What assurances do I need to be able to give participants?
- How do I validate my process?

How can you request ethics and research review of your project?

1. Complete the Request for Ethical Research Consultation form and submit to info@cmhdaresearchnetwork.com.au
2. The CMHDARN RECC will meet to explore your application, and within 4 weeks provide feedback, ask questions and make recommendations

How can the CMHDARN RECC assist you?

- by directing you to the standards and ethical practices guidelines appropriate to your research endeavour
- when reviewing your proposed research methodology we can consider your project from an ethical perspective and provide feedback on consultation proposals; data collection tools; confidentiality and privacy issues and more....
- help you think through ways to conduct individual consultations, forums and surveys and identify potential safety issues for consumers, carers and other stakeholders that the project might give rise to
- advise on any required Human Research Ethics Committee applications

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