

ETHICAL DIMENSIONS OF RESEARCH

Professional Development Workshop Opportunity for Researchers,
HREC Members, and Institutional Research Administrators



SPEAKERS:

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Date: Friday 27 November, 2015

Time: 8.30am - 5pm

Venue: iHouse, International House (Building 36A)
5 Rock St, St Lucia QLD 4067

Cost: \$400 per person for the day
\$350 for UQ staff for the day
\$200 for students for the day

REGISTRATION:

Places are limited, so please register online by
Thursday 19 November, 2015 at:

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This one day workshop targets professionals involved in research ethics review, approval and governance processes, including HREC Members, researchers, HDR students, research sponsors and research governance professionals.

Andrew Crowden brings a wealth of industry experience in universities, health institutions, and the NHMRC research requirements while Christi Favor has extensive tertiary teaching experience in moral philosophy. Together, they offer a dynamic, engaged seminar style that combines relevant case studies, critical reasoning tools, and philosophical depth to develop the practical skills of recognition, reasoning and communication about the ethical dimensions of research. You will love the opportunity to interact face-to-face with these experienced educators and other professionals grappling with human research ethics questions.

HREC members: Develop a better understanding of your role in evaluating ethical dimensions of proposed research, and gain confidence in articulating your concerns in committee meetings.

Researchers: Learn to identify ethical issues in the design of research, understand the perspective of HREC members, and achieve a smoother approval process.

Institutions: Fulfil training obligations, build a culture of research integrity, and manage risk from ethical failures.

Andrew and Christi bring theory and practice together in four 1.5 hour sessions with morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided, and the opportunity to interact with others in similar professional roles. Sessions focus on:

- 1) the NHMRC regulatory framework for research ethics requirements, the practical implementation of these in HREC committees, and the current state of play,
- 2) central moral principles and conceptual tools that underpin the NHMRC regulatory framework, with some useful comparisons to international guidelines,
- 3) special emphasis on consent, risk and benefit, and
- 4) how to consider relevant case studies in light of the moral principles and ethical requirements of the NHMRC.

BIOGRAPHIES

ANDREW CROWDEN

Dr Andrew Crowden is a bioethicist with extensive experience in the practical ethics dimensions of research ethics and governance. Andrew is honorary Associate Professor in Ethics, Law and Professional Practice in the School of Medicine at the University of Queensland, honorary Associate Professor in the Rural Health Academic Centre in the Melbourne Medical School at The University of Melbourne and principal consultant with *Crowden Consultants* (ABN 27914792136). Andrew is the current research ethics stream leader for the Australasian Association of Bioethics and Health Law (AABHL), a member of the NHMRC Certification Assessor Panel for the ethical review of multi-centre research and an NHMRC external research project reviewer. He has just completed a term as Chairperson of Townsville Hospital and Health Service HREC and was formerly Chairperson of Mater Health Services HREC and member of the Mater Clinical Ethics Committee in Brisbane, a member of NHMRC's HoMER Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' Research Group, Deputy Chairperson of the Victorian Government Ministerial Consultative Council for Human Research Ethics, Chairperson of Austin Health HREC in Melbourne, Bioethicist on Northeast Health HREC, the appointed Ethicist on the South Australian Government Human Research sub committee, Chair of the Rural Health Academic Centre's Human Ethics Advisory Group at the University of Melbourne, and the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences Dean's nominee to Deakin University HREC.

CHRISTI FAVOR

Dr Christi Favor lectures part-time in philosophy at both the University of Queensland and the Australian Catholic University. She taught for 12 years in the Applied Ethics and Human Rights program at Queensland University of Technology, responsible for their moral theory stream. She has extensive tertiary teaching experience in critical reasoning and a broad range of areas of moral philosophy, including environmental ethics, distributive justice, political theory, gender equality, bioethics, and professional ethics. She has developed and delivered curriculum programs at QUT and UQ designed to bring the practical relevance of ethics and moral philosophy into the curriculum for undergraduate and post-graduate science students. Christi is also involved in bringing the benefits of moral philosophy to disadvantaged groups through The Clemente Australia program. She is currently involved in a research project investigating the roles of autonomy and beneficence in a range of national and international human research ethics guidelines.