

Consumer and Community Participation in Health Research: A Training Workshop for Researchers

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Date: Monday 20th April 2015

Time: 8:45am - 4:00pm

<u>Venue:</u> The University of Notre Dame Australia, Building ND42 (Michael Keating Room), Cliff St, Fremantle

<u>Transportation:</u> Science on the Swan Conference Delegates will be collected from the Perth Convention Centre at 8:00am and drop off at Notre Dame. When the workshop has closed, the shuttle bus will collect Delegates from Notre Dame and return to the Perth Convention Centre (arriving at approximately 5:00pm).

<u>Catering:</u> Morning coffee/tea and lunch will be provided.

Cost: Free of charge for registrants.

Please note: a cancellation fee (equivalent to the actual cost of the workshop) may apply to registrants who fail to attend without notifying the Research Office in advance.

RSVP: Please RSVP by 13th April 2015 to Hayley Coppinger at: hayley.coppinger@nd.edu.au or phone: 9433 0565. RSVP's are essential as places are limited to 30 people. Please indicate any special requirements.





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Aims of the workshop

The aims of the workshop are to:

- Raise awareness of the contribution consumers and the community can make to research when involved as active partners
- Identify and address barriers to consumer and community participation
- Develop ways to start involving consumers and the community as partners in research, and to develop good practice in consumer and community participation
- Encourage and support researchers and students who have an interest in consumer and community participation in research

By the end of the workshop, it is anticipated researchers will:

- Be able to identify why and how consumers and the community can contribute to research
- Have an awareness of researcher and consumer perspectives and experiences of working with consumers and the community
- Have knowledge about organisations that are working towards increasing consumer and community participation in research activities and the support and/or help these organisations can provide
- Start to consider how the theories and examples of good practice covered in the workshop can be utilised in research

Overview of topics that will be covered

- What is consumer and community involvement?
- Why it's important and what are the benefits?
- Barriers to consumer and community involvement
- Writing in plain language
- Good practice examples and methods of consumer and community involvement

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