2nd Clinical Trials Course

8th - 9th December 2026

Intercontinental Sydney Coogee Beach

Workshop information



Program

Day1
Tuesday 8th December

8.00 - 8.30	Registration
8.30 - 9.15	Breakfast and Meet the Faculty: “speed dating” What do you want to know?
Session 1	
9.15 - 9.30	**Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country and Lived Experience, Housekeeping** *Professor Vincent Thijs*
9.30 - 10.00	**Introduction to clinical trials** *Professor Richard Lindley*
10.00 - 11.00	**Life cycle of trials: Overview of the clinical trial process from idea, conception to project close** *Ms Fiona Ellery and Ms Michelle Russell* Good clinical practice essentials Regulatory and ethical considerations Management: Adverse events and Risk based monitoring
11.00 - 11.30	**Morning tea**

Session 2	
11.30 - 13.00	Primer on types of design principle, practices and approaches-I *Professor Leonid Churilov, A/Professor Kate Hayward, and Dr Hannah Johns* Clinical Trial classification and phases Comparison of design and approaches
13.00 - 14.00	**Lunch**
Session 3	
14.00 to 15.30	Primer on types of design principles and practices-II Professor Leonid Churilov, A/Professor Kate Hayward, and Dr Hannah Johns Defining validity Ensuring different types of validity in design ICH Estimand Framework in clinical trial validity
15.30 - 16.00	**Afternoon tea**
Session 4	
16.00 - 16.30	Consent: Understanding the legal and ethical requirements *Dr Lisa Eckstein*
16.30 - 17.00	Connecting people with clinical trials *Dr Emma Burrows*
17.00 - 17.30	Panel discussion
17.30 - 18.30	Networking drinks

Day 2
Wednesday 9th December

Session 1	
9.00 to 9.30	Rural, Regional and Remote(R3) clinical trials, involving community *Professor Chris Levi Guest lecture*
9.30 to 11.00	Data, Sample size considerations and Analytical considerations *Dr Hannah Johns* Data and Safety Monitoring *Professor Leonid Churilov and Professor Richard Lindley*
11.00 to 11.30	**Morning tea**
Session 2	
11.00 to 11.30	Sex and gender equity *Professor Bronwyn Graham*
11.30 to 13.00	Involving people with lived experience of stroke in your research *Mr Clive Kempson and Ms Kim Beasley* (Please see below for full agenda)
13.00 to 14.00	**Lunch**

Session 3	
14.00 - 15.00	How to address the consumer section in your grant *Mr Clive Kempson and Professor Erin Godecke, consumer panelist*
15.00 - 15.20	**Afternoon tea**
Session 4	
15.20 - 15.45	Trial translation: tips and tricks *Professor Sandy Middleton*
15.45 - 16.45	In depth Q&A (all Faculty) Stations: Design and analysis Lived experience Consent Project management Trialist career advice Hot topics
16.45 - 17.00	Final Panel (all Faculty) discussion Close out *Professors Richard Lindley and Vincent Thijs*