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Research Week 2026
Call For Abstracts Now Open!

Research Grand Round

Thank you to all those who attended the recent Research Grand Round, where Tania Barry presented to a full house on **Publishing your work and Navigating research impact.**

Full Recording

MD Research & Clinical Scholar — Supervisor Expression of Interest form 2027/2028

Late submissions are now being accepted for **Doctor of Medicine (MD) student research projects** for the **2027/2028 Research Scholar** and **2027 Clinical Scholar** pathways.

The **Research Scholar** pathway provides students with the opportunity to undertake a two-year research project, while the **Clinical Scholar** pathway supports smaller-scale projects, such as clinical audits or literature reviews, completed during Semester 1, 2027.

Please note: *The deadline for timely Research Scholar submissions has passed. Late Research Scholar-only projects may receive less student interest.*

Researchers interested in supervising an MD student are encouraged to submit an **Expression of Interest (EOI)**.

Submit EOI

MACH-Track 2027

Applications are now open to the 2027-MACH-Track cohort, a fully funded research training program supporting the next generation of clinician researchers from pre-PhD through to postdoctoral pathways.

Applications close: Monday 3rd August 2026 at 9AM

Apply Here

Webinars

Artificial Intelligence in Health Research: Practical applications across the research lifecycle

This webinar will cover:

- AI in health research: how AI tools can support the different stages of the research lifecycle, and pitfalls to avoid
- Real-world applications: practical case study demonstrating AI in action
- Responsible AI principles: ethics and best practice in health research

Date & Time: Tuesday 14th July, 12:00 pm -1:00 pm AEST

Register here

Clinical Trials in Practice: Key Considerations for EMCRs
Presenter: Professor Steven Tong (Unimelb/RMH/Doherty)

Designing and establishing a clinical trial can be complex, particularly for early- and mid-career researchers navigating governance, methodology, and operational challenges for the first time.

Join Professor Tong as he shares practical insights on what clinicians should be mindful of when setting up a clinical trial.

Date & Time: Wednesday 15th July, 12:30 pm

Register here

Northern Health Publications

Publications are selected from strongly Northern Health-led research at the discretion of RDGU Office.

- Farrugia E, Bailey S, Semciw AI, Suleiman M, Tacey M, Tuck CJ, Hannan LM. Incidence of unplanned gastrostomy tube replacements and associated complications in people with motor neurone disease and other conditions: A retrospective audit of an Australian dietitian-led clinic. Nutr Clin Pract. 2026 Jun 21. doi: 10.1002/ncp.70140. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 42324684.

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