

Projects granted a waiver of consent in 2020

In certain circumstances, it is justifiable to grant a waiver of consent, as opposed to obtaining informed consent from research participants. Conditions are outlined in Section 2.3.10 of the *National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research 2007 (updated 2018)*. Under section 2.3.12 “it is the responsibility of each institution to make publicly accessible summary descriptions of all research projects for which consent has been waived”. The waiver of consent may cover the collection/use of part or all of the data/information required for the project. Waivers of consent were granted by the Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service Human Research Ethics Committee [EC00160] for the following projects in 2020:

- ImprovinG Nutrition Intake after Trauma (IGNITe)
- Partnerships In Improving nutrition among hospitalised PATiEnts (PARTiCIPATE): towards development of a HHS-wide toolkit
- What factors impact on the nutrition status of patients on their admission to rehabilitation?
- Evaluation of the Gold Coast HHS Palliative Care Telehealth Service
- Understanding and informing end-of-life care for older people presenting to the ED
- Clinician decision making in peripheral intravenous cannulation in emergency settings.
- The role of practice pedagogies in improving older person friendly care practices and reducing hospital acquired complications
- Evaluation of a Palliative Care Telehealth Service with the Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS)
- Domestic and Family Violence Screening and Referral Practices in QLD and WA Emergency Departments
- Cell surface glycoproteins and immune response as markers of diagnosis [type] and of prognosis in head and neck squamous cell carcinomas: towards personalized treatment.
- Family Engagement Survey
- SEntinel Node Technique audit in Australia and New Zealand
- Impact of mass gathering events on emergency healthcare services: informing health service planning for safer communities.
- The management of uncomplicated acute alcohol intoxication in the emergency healthcare environment
- Evaluation of the State-wide Rural and Remote Supportive and Specialist Palliative Care Telehealth Service
- Patient experiences in the Emergency Department: A multi-methods study
- Uterine packing with Chitosan covered Gauze for postpartum Hemorrhage.
- A comprehensive analysis of implementing a triaging phase to the foot and ankle orthopaedic service: a pragmatic randomised controlled trial
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- Achieving value – based health care: Development of an integrated evaluation framework for assessing value of extended scope of practice models of care in allied health
- Microbiome and Biomarkers in the Progression of Oral Potentially Malignant Disorders to Squamous Cell Carcinoma Using Liquid Biopsy Techniques
- Understanding the characteristics, outcomes and care delivery for people brought in by Police to the Emergency Department

- Primary Telehealth Voice Assessment by Speech Language Pathologists during Covid-19 using principles of a First Contact Model.
- Patient adherence to wearing compression stockings in the management of venous leg ulcers: a randomised controlled trial and qualitative study of an occupational therapy package
- CovidSurg
- Developing a peptide conjugate vaccine for SARS-CoV-2 and characterisation of cellular immune responses in asymptomatic vs symptomatic individuals infected with SARS-CoV-2
- ATHENA COVID-19 STUDY Part 1: Data linkage study of outcomes in patients with COVID-19 in Queensland
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- Characterisation of Haemopoietic Progenitor Cell Apheresis Grafts to Determine Factors Associated with Early Relapse Post Autologous Stem Cell Transplant in Multiple Myeloma
- Comprehensive Outcomes that VERIFY the impact on Emergency Departments from COVID-19 [The COVERED COVID study]
- A Seamless Phase 1b study to evaluate safety, tolerability and efficacy of SER-301 in adult subjects with active mild to moderate ulcerative colitis.
- Spatial pathway biology in rectal and esophageal cancer
- Point-of-Care Ultrasonography for Intussusception: A Non-inferiority Trial
- Point-of-care ultrasound pronator quadratus haematoma sign for the detection of paediatric forearm fractures
- 'Does the implementation of specific pathways from the Children's Emergency Department (CED)/ Children's Short Stay Unit (CSSU) to the Children's Hospital in the Home (CHITH) help to increase patient
- Use of Fructosamine Compared to HbA1c as a Marker of Short to Medium Term Glycaemic Control in the Peri-operative Setting
- Women's MATerniTy Care Experiences Study: What MATTERS an online survey
- Outcomes of Rib fractures in the geriatric population- 5- year retrospective multi institutional study
- Predictors Of Response To Therapy In Acute Severe Colitis
- The impact of simulation faculty development programs at Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service
- Beyond BMI - skeletal muscle and adipose tissue indices in autologous breast reconstruction – a retrospective cohort study
- Predicting rehabilitation outcomes using a combined New Mobility Score and Cumulated Ambulation Score in patients with hip fractures
- Development of a non-invasive echo-based method for measuring aortic pulse wave velocity
- Effect of Age on Mortality and Dialysis Dependence following ICU initiation of Haemodialysis.
- Evaluation of a new Emergency Department avoidance model of care, the Cancer Urgent Assessment Clinic, in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic
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- Enhanced Recovery after Caesarean
- Determining Prevalence of Incidental Pathology of the Fallopian Tube (the i-Tube study)
- Assessment of Knowledge Gaps in Modifiable Risk Factors Among Patients with Atrial Fibrillation

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- Outcomes of surgery in COVID-19 infection: international cohort study (CovidSurg)
 - New Onset Inflammatory Arthritis and Axial Spondyloarthritis in Vedolizumab Patients
 - OSA Questionnaires in COPD patients
 - Safety and efficacy of telehealth during the COVID-19 pandemic in the provision of care for patients with cancer.
 - An exploratory study on the incidence and 5-year survival of Merkel Cell Carcinoma (MCC) in Queensland and Systematic review of current literature: should treatment algorithms differ?
 - Comparison of patient characteristics between SL vs. LAI buprenorphine formulations for treatment of opioid use disorder (OUD): a retrospective cohort study