

# Research Governance Sub-Committee

The Research Governance Sub-Committee meets three times per year. Its members may occasionally communicate outside the meeting on committee business (if and when significant developments affecting health or social care research arise).

## Terms of Reference:

This Committee is a Sub-Committee of the University's Senate Research and Innovation Committee. Its function is to advise and report to the Senate Research and Innovation Committee on governance matters related to health and social care research, including human-interventional studies.

Human-interventional studies include but are not limited to:

- (a) Studies involving surgery and other interventional procedures;
- (b) Studies of diagnostic tests;
- (c) Studies which are concerned with screening;
- (d) Studies which involve the administration of human whole blood products;
- (e) Studies which involve the administration of a food product or supplement;
- (f) Studies which involve the administration of a cosmetic product;
- (g) Studies that involve complementary therapies;
- (h) Studies that involve behavioural/ educational interventions designed to affect health or social care outcomes;
- (i) Studies that involve medical devices;
- (j) Studies that involve physiotherapy and/ or psychotherapy.

## Remit:

1. To be aware of externally-driven developments, policies and regulations affecting health and social care research governance and, where appropriate, advising on how the University addresses these requirements;
2. To advise on the ongoing effectiveness of the University's research governance procedure now that the administration of the procedure has been devolved to the heads of academic departments, including advising on the ongoing effectiveness of the University's quality assurance procedure for health and social care human-interventional studies;
3. To receive research governance reports on University sponsored health and social care research studies, including making decisions regarding any critical findings and advising the Senate Research and Innovation Committee on any action with resource implications that may be required.
4. To advise the Senate Research and Innovation Committee on any outcomes or concerns within its remit which could affect research participants or the University's reputation.

**Reports to:** Senate Research and Innovation Committee.

**Membership:**

<i>Chair</i>	Professor Parveen Ali (2022-25)
<i>Deputy Chair</i>	Dr Kate Hamblin (2023-26)
<i>Representative members:</i>	
<i>Representative of the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health</i>	Professor Chris Newman
<i>Representative of the Faculty of Science</i>	Dr Rebecca Denniss
<i>Representative of the Faculty of Engineering</i>	Dr Mahnaz Arvaneh
<i>Representative of the Faculty of Social Sciences</i>	Dr Michaela Rogers
<i>Representative of the Faculty of Arts &amp; Humanities</i>	Dr Carmen Levick
<i>Representative of the Senate University Research Ethics Committee</i>	Dr Jennifer Burr
<i>Co-opted members:</i>	
<i>Co-opted member (Clinical Psychology Unit)</i>	Amrit Sinha
<i>Co-opted member (School of Medicine)</i>	Professor Chris Newman
<i>Co-opted member (Sociological Studies)</i>	Dr Michaela Rogers
<i>Co-opted member (School of Clinical Dentistry)</i>	Dr Emma Bird
<i>In attendance:</i>	
N/A	
<i>Secretary</i>	Lindsay Unwin