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 healthcare research arise).

Terms of Reference:

This Committee is a Sub-Committee of the University’s Research & Innovation Committee (RIC). Its function is to advise and report to RIC on the following health and human-interventional studies research governance matters:

1. The University’s approach to the following types of study*:
   (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;
   (i) Studies that involve devices;
   (j) Studies that involve physiotherapy and/or psychotherapy.

2. New externally-driven developments, policies and regulations affecting health care research governance and, where appropriate, advising on how the University addresses these requirements.

3. The ongoing effectiveness of the University’s healthcare research governance procedure now that the administration of the procedure has been devolved to the heads of academic departments.

4. Receive research governance reports on University sponsored health and human interventional research studies, make decisions regarding any critical findings and advise RIC on any action with resource implications that is required.

5. Advise RIC on any outcomes or concerns within its remit which could affect research participants or the University’s reputation.

Reports to: Research and Innovation Committee.

Membership:

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Representatives:

- Representative from the School of Medicine: Dr Liz Williams
- Representative from the School of Health & Related Research: Dr Samuel Keating
- Representative from the Department of Psychology: Dr Andrew Thompson
- Representative from the School of Nursing & Midwifery or School of Clinical Dentistry: Professor Nicolas Martin
- Representative from the Department of Human Communication Sciences: Dr Traci Walker
- Representative from the University Research Ethics Committee: Professor Peter Bath
- Representative from Research Services: Mrs Lindsay Unwin
- Secretary: Mrs Lindsay Unwin