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Information and updates regarding COVID-19:

The NHMRC has published urgent advice on *COVID-19: Guidance on clinical trials for institutions, HRECs, researchers and sponsors* on their website: www.nhmrc.gov.au/research-policy/COVID-19-impacts

The Australian Department of Health Clinical Trials page is also being updated with the latest advice for trials and research: www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/Clinical-Trials

The Tasmanian Department of Health supports and promotes research in our hospitals and clinical services.

The Research Governance Unit provides advice in respect to research in Tasmanian public health services, and liaises with other jurisdictions on research initiatives.

The Department funds the ethical review of research projects, that involve patients, clients and staff members of public health services, by the University of Tasmania HREC.

The Department also works with local hospitals and federal government agencies to help attract research programs and funding to the state so that research can positively impact on the health of all Tasmanians.

All research activities in Tasmanian public health services must have [research governance approval](#) and [ethics approval](#) before commencing.

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