



**Cancer Trials
Australia**

CTA Membership Expansion to 17 Clinical Sites

May 2012, Melbourne Australia; Cancer Trials Australia (CTA) announced today that the following institutions/networks had joined CTA:

Barwon Health – Geelong Hospital
Peninsula Health – Frankston Hospital
Sydney Local Health District - Royal Prince Alfred

'It is very gratifying to be able to announce that these three centres have joined' said Marcus Clark, CEO. Barwon Health, headed by Professor David Ashley at the Andrew Love Cancer Centre, Geelong, Dr Romaine Holmes, Cancer Services Unit at Frankston Hospital and Dr Lisa Horvath, Sydney Cancer Centre are all key figures in cancer care and clinical trials and as such extend CTA's depth for performing trials in terms of patient numbers and expertise.

With the addition of Barwon and Peninsula, CTA now becomes the major clinical trials network in Victoria to perform trials. The Sydney Cancer Centre, located at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital is focused on early phase trials with CTA and we are excited to have a major organisation collaborate through a membership with CTA.

The CTA group has always demonstrated expertise to undertake the most demanding trials and has a pre-eminent reputation with early phase trials through the use of its First Time in Human protocol and the proximity of its clinicians to the research amongst its members. With 17 clinical sites now in the group we have the capacity to coordinate trials from large patient pools under one ethics approval process. We believe this is a major step and one that we will be discussing with the global development companies over the next months.

CTA is a Melbourne-based not-for-profit service organisation that conducts cancer clinical trials on behalf of investigators and sponsors, namely biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. As a member-based organisation comprising a total of 19 research institutes and hospitals, CTA has access to a diverse range of expertise and technology.

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About Cancer Trials Australia (CTA)

CTA is a Clinical Trial Network and Site Service Organisation providing multisite trial administration and research governance and advisory services to investigators and sponsors of clinical trials in the field of oncology and hematology. Its member organisations are:

Alfred Health
Austin Health
Ballarat Health Services
Barwon Health
Bendigo Health
Border Medical Oncology
Cabrini Health Limited
Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research
Melbourne Health
Peninsula Oncology Centre
Peninsula Health
Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre
Royal Prince Alfred
Royal Women's Hospital
Southern Health
St Vincent's Health
The Walter and Elisa Hall Institute
Tweed Heads
Western Health

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