

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Consumer Investigator

POSITION TITLE	Consumer Investigator, SCRIPT Trial		
GRANT SCHEME	Cancer Australia Priority Driven Collaborative Cancer Research Scheme (PdCCRS)		
REPORTS TO	DIRECT	Prof Jon Emery	
	INDIRECT	Dr Sibel Saya	
POSITION TYPE	Consumer Investigator		
TERM	3 years	LOCATION	University of Melbourne, VIC
	INTERNAL	Project committee members, Project staff	
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POSITION PURPOSE

A Consumer Investigator is a named member of a research team for a grant application. In this role a consumer will be listed on the grant application and plays a role in the development and review of the grant application. If the grant application is successful, they will be involved with the research throughout the life cycle of the project from funding to publication and dissemination of the trial results. This may then also include becoming a member of the project steering committee.

CONTEXT

The SCRIPT trial is a randomised controlled trial of genomic-based stratified colorectal cancer screening in primary care. Currently, there is an unnecessary variation in colorectal cancer screening due to low uptake of the faecal occult blood test, differences in clinical decision making, poor identification of people at increased risk of colorectal cancer, and over-referral of individuals at average risk for colonoscopy.

This study will measure the effect of using a new genomic test, our CRISP-SNP intervention, on risk-appropriate colorectal cancer screening (i.e. the right screening test, faecal occult blood test or colonoscopy, based on a person's absolute risk of colorectal cancer) compared with generic cancer prevention information. We will measure the effect our intervention has on participants' risk perception and if they have any anxiety about cancer and whether our intervention changes their intention to screen for cancer.

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KEY RESPONSIBILITIES OF CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE:

- ✔ Assist with the development and review of any grant applications
- ✔ Attend project steering committee meetings – 4 times per year
- ✔ Review of patient recruitment materials

DESIRED EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS:

- ✔ A personal experience of cancer as a patient, a person who has cared for another with cancer, or a family member or friend
- ✔ Previous experience as a consumer representative/advocate in the cancer or health field
- ✔ Previous involvement in committees or working parties
- ✔ Understanding of the research funding process
- ✔ Well-developed written and oral communication skills
- ✔ Excellent problem-solving ability
- ✔ Ability to work within a team environment
- ✔ Able to deal with competing priorities and effectively manage time
- ✔ Willing to provide feedback, share knowledge and support others

PC4 WILL UNDERTAKE TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN ANY DEVELOPMENT THAT MAY IMPROVE THEIR SKILL OR CONFIDENCE IN UNDERTAKING A ROLE WITH A PROJECT STEERING GROUP.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:

The community member agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the study design and grant application.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Community members should declare if they feel they have a perceived conflict of interest with any element of the grant application or study design.