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January Newsletter 2025

Welcome 2025!

We welcome 2025 with excitement and renewed energy and look forward to welcoming new trial providers to the ClinTrial Refer platform who are dedicated to advancing clinical trial accessibility.

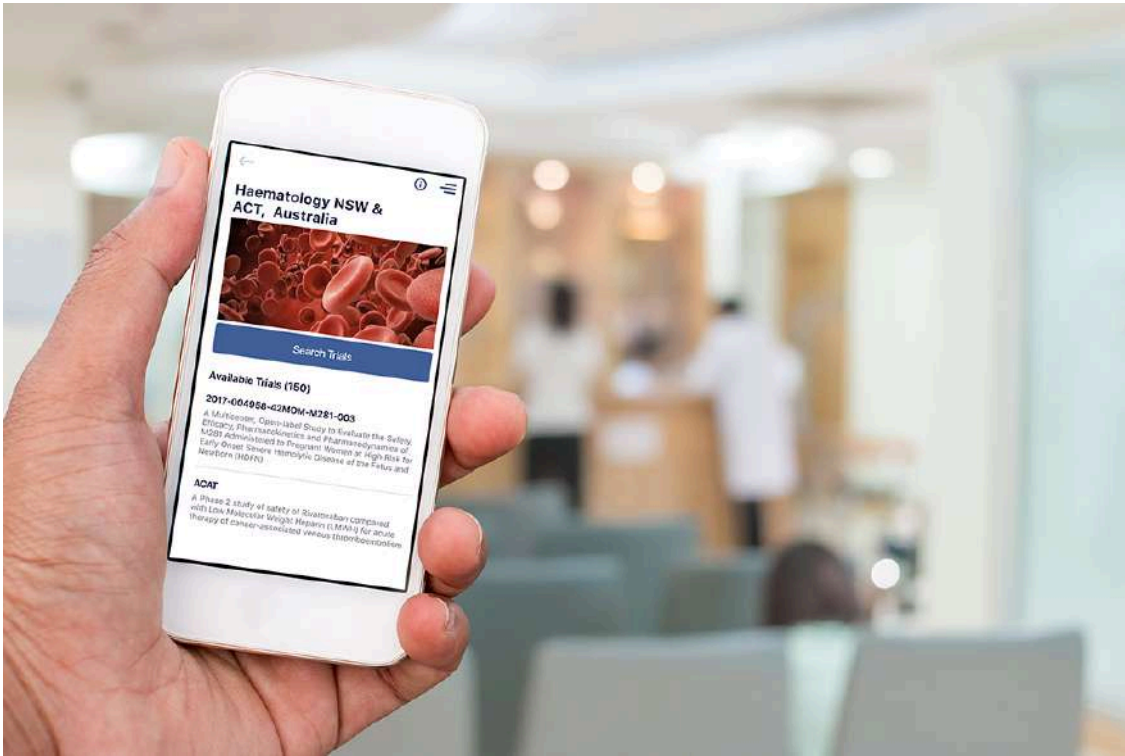
We are committed to transforming how clinical trials are found to improve inclusivity. Our vision is to break down barriers, connect more patients with groundbreaking research opportunities, and ultimately accelerate medical innovation through our collaborative platform.

Finding clinical trials should never be a matter of chance. We are breaking down the complex barriers that make finding the right clinical trial challenging. We're committed to transforming this experience and advancing our innovative matching solution.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this vision. We are excited to continue advancing our goal of making medical research more accessible so that patients have access to trials when they need them.

Stay tuned for some exciting new announcements this year.

Meet Our App Managers



ClinTrial Refer App Managers are the key to making current clinical trials more open and accessible. They work behind the scenes to ensure clinicians, patients and carers have access to current clinical trial information that might be relevant to them. We think it's important that you know who these amazing individuals are and so we are introducing you to them by featuring a Q&A with our App managers in our newsletter.

This month we introduce you to the wonderful **Jennifer Harman** who is the **App Manager** for the **Haematology NSW & ACT App**.

Q. Tell us about the ClinTrial Refer Haematology NSW & ACT App

"The Haematology NSW & ACT App supplies a current list of active and pending haematology clinical research trials in NSW and the ACT. The App is supported by the Clinical Research Unit at Concord Repatriation General Hospital's Department of Haematology which was established in 2005 and is part of Concord Cancer Centre.

The Concord Haematology Department delivers world-class tertiary Haematology clinical care, supported by active clinical, translational, and basic research.

Our Clinical Research Unit is led by Dr Nicole Wong Doo (Director), Tafline Walker (Business Operations Manager) and myself Jennifer Harman (Manager) . Our unit is staffed by a Clinical Coordination Division of five Registered Nurses and five Clinical Research Coordinators, all with tertiary science qualifications. Our highly skilled Business Operations Division efficiently meet our regulatory and reporting obligations, and support the team in various high-level administrative functions, in clinical trials governance and financial management. Ten haematologist investigators are supported by several clinical research fellows.

Our broad portfolio is particularly strong in trials in lymphoproliferative diseases. As a national leader in accessing emerging therapies, our unit has a high proportion of patients referred for clinical trial participation both within Sydney and across NSW and ACT.

Through the ClinTrial Refer App we support access to cutting edge Haematology treatments across several locations within NSW and ACT to make it easier for doctors and patients to find trials".



Picture Above: Clinical Research Unit Team at Concord Repatriation General Hospital's Department of Haematology

Q. Tell us a little bit about yourself/your role in addition to managing the App.

"I am the manager of the Haematology Clinical Research Unit at Concord Hospital. I started in the unit many years ago as a registered nurse, but am now responsible for looking after the amazing, dedicated team here at Concord".

Q. Why do you think Clinical trials are important?

"Clinical Trials are important because ultimately, they improve the health and wellbeing of us all. As a nurse, I have seen many treatments change throughout the years I have been working in health. It has been amazing to see over the years what treatments have changed through the clinical trials we have been involved in and how it has had a positive impact on our patients lives".


Q. If you could wave a magic wand and change one thing in clinical trials what would it be?

"Easier access to clinical trials for rural & remote patients. My mum was on a clinical trial after her cancer relapsed back in 2016. Her treating doctor knew what I did as a job, so knew she would be open to the opportunity of a clinical trial, even one 5 hours from her home. Every three weeks she would travel from a small town inland from Port Macquarie, down to Sydney to receive her treatment. My kids were lucky, they had Grandma down to visit every three weeks. Through the clinical trials we were blessed with another two great years with her. She was there to see my youngest child born. My second child start school. Countless memories were made and most importantly for us, we had time. Time to spend together, time to prepare ourselves, time for us to adjust. As a family, we are forever grateful for what being involved in a clinical trial gave us".


Q. What's your favorite thing to do outside of work and making potentially life changing clinical trials more available to people that might need them?

"I am also a mum with three children. Life is mostly consumed by their activities, but I do love to bake. Sticky Cinnamon Scrolls were something my family say I perfected during COVID times".

Trial Spotlight




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On average 28 trials are listed in the ClinTrial Refer database every month

We aim to highlight some of these in our newsletter each month

Search CTR website 

Visit the website or download the ClinTrial Refer App to find trials that might be relevant to you or someone you know.

Is **Hidradenitis**
Suppurativa impacting
your life?

**WE ARE SEEKING
VOLUNTEERS TO
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Professor Murrell and her team are investigating a possible new treatment for hidradenitis suppurativa. This trial is to determine whether the new treatment will be effective in relieving symptoms. All study related care will be provided at no cost! Would you like to learn more about this clinical trial? Call 0416 502 017 or email premierdermatologytrials@gmail.com

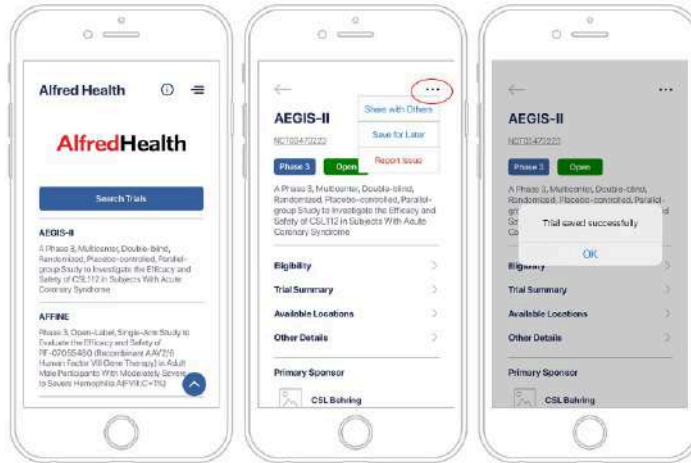
You can also learn more about this study on the [ClinTrial Refer website here.](#)

Saving Trials

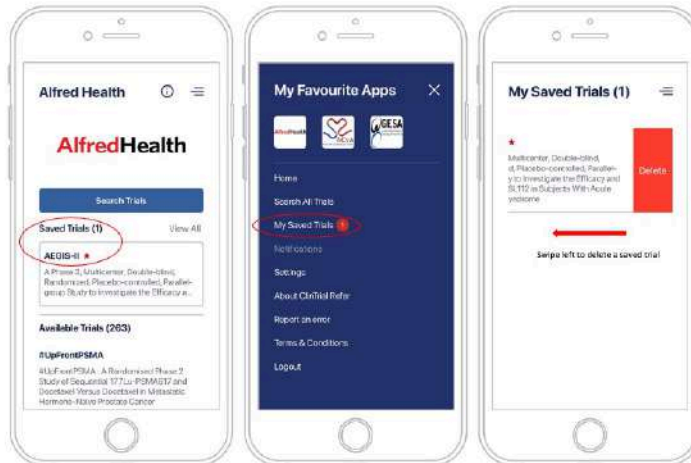
Unsure about how to save trials in the ClinTrial Refer App? Follow the instructions in the diagrams below. Saving trials allows you to compare options when there might be more than one potentially suitable trial to choose from.

How to save a trial:

When you find a trial or several trials that you are interested in you can save trials to review later by clicking on the 3-dots in the top right of the trial page and selecting "Save for Later"



- Saved trials have a red star next to the short trial name.
- Saved trials will appear at the top of the screen in the App and can also be accessed in the main menu
- You can save multiple trials to review or share
- To delete a saved trial click on it, swipe left then delete



Do you have something to share?

Share your story if you have taken part in a clinical trial or supported someone through a trial. Your stories and thoughts are important to us and can be a great encouragement to others. If you'd like to share a clinical trial story please email us at admin@clintrialreferapp.com. We'd love to hear from you.





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