

Invitation to participate in the “Enhancing NZ Clinical Trials” Delphi Survey

You are invited to participate in the Delphi Survey for the Enhancing NZ Clinical Trials project.

The Enhancing NZ Clinical Trials project is a national project funded by the HRC and MoH, looking to outline an infrastructure roadmap and operations model to make clinical trials in Aotearoa New Zealand more accessible, equitable, and sustainable. It is aligned to the [New Zealand Health Research Strategy 2017-2027](#) and the [New Zealand Health Research Prioritisation Framework](#).

What are we doing?

This project aims to provide evidence-based recommendations to inform the development of an infrastructure roadmap and operating model for clinical trials in New Zealand. All solutions will support a sustainable, nationally coordinated, and equitable clinical trials enterprise. For this phase in the project, we will conduct a Delphi survey on the proposed infrastructure options. We want to get your feedback on the identified infrastructure options.

What is the Delphi?

Delphi is an iterative process used to assess the level of agreement and provide a mechanism for resolving disagreement to build consensus. It consists of a three-round online survey. Participants are asked to rate the importance of proposed infrastructure options, followed by a review of the options critical for implementation.

How will it be conducted?

If you decide to participate, we will send you an invitation link to each survey round. During each round, you will rate the proposed infrastructure options based on importance. During the second and third rounds, you will review and re-rate the options presented during the previous rounds. To assist you in reviewing the options, you will have access to your previous score and the median score by the group. At the end of the three survey rounds, you will be sent the survey findings.

What do you need to be aware of?

- Your details and your responses will remain confidential.
- When re-rating the options, you are not under any pressure to change your rating. Only you will be able to see your original score; no one else will.
- No one in the group can see another individual’s scores; they can only see aggregated group results.
- You don’t have to take part. You take part only if you are willing, and you can withdraw at any time (no questions asked).

For more information, please see the [Participant Information Sheet](#)

How do I participate?

Your participation is entirely voluntary (your choice). You do not have to take part in the project. You can withdraw at any time with no questions asked.

Due to the nature of the Delphi, once the first round of the Delphi Survey begins, we will not be able to add additional participants. To participate, you will need to sign-up **before 22 October 2021**.

If you would like to participate, please sign up via the [secure online form](#) or email Jennifer Kane at jennifer.kane@auckland.ac.nz

Who do I contact for more information or if I have concerns?

If you have any questions, concerns, or complaints about this work at any stage, you can contact Jennifer Kane at jennifer.kane@auckland.ac.nz

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