

March Newsletter 2020

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A Big Year for ClinTrial Refer

Greetings everyone. The new year is upon us which means new and exciting things on the horizon for ClinTrial Refer. But first let's take a quick look at what was achieved last year.

Launch of ClinTrial Refer Version 2

The biggest highlight of 2019 was the launch and release of ClinTrial Refer Version 2. Our sincere thanks to The Hon Greg Hunt MP, Minister for Health, who supported the launch in October at the ACTA International Clinical Trials conference in Sydney. ClinTrial Refer Version 2 integrates new features and upgrades for users to make finding the right trial easier, and also system improvements to make the updating of trial information easier for App Managers.



The Hon Greg Hunt MP, Minister for Health



Prof Judith Trotman and Roslyn Ristuccia (Co-Founders of ClinTrial Refer)
with Christine Zahren (Business Development Manager) at the launch

It was also exciting to have the great work being done with the ClinTrial Refer App featured on Channel 10 news daily!

Awards

ClinTrial Refer won the inaugural Health Roundtable Shark Tank Innovation Pitch award in 2019. The Health Roundtable is a non-profit membership organisation of public and private health services and hospitals across Australia and New Zealand representing over 200 health facilities. This award has provided ClinTrial Refer with invaluable support, expert guidance and mentorship from Health Roundtable team members. The Innovation Pitch event continues this year in Melbourne on the 17th of March. [Register](#) to hear from inspiring new innovators in health care and beyond.



Christine Zahren (third from right) receiving the Health Roundtable
award for ClinTrial Refer surrounded by the other finalists.

ClinTrial Refer was also honoured to be a finalist in the global Clinical & Research Excellence Awards (CARE) for the Best Patient Focussed Technological Development in 2019.

Presentations

Another key highlight in 2019 for ClinTrial Refer was the beginning of our work with the primary care community to explore an improved role for general practitioners in clinical trial recruitment and referral. ClinTrial Refer partnered with the Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association and the Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research to host the primary care roundtable discussion. This pivotal event provided a platform for participants to share experiences, knowledge and reflections on issues related to clinical trial recruitment. Attendees included researchers, general practitioners, Primary Health Network leaders and consumers. A follow up event is planned for 2020.

ClinTrial Refer was also invited to present and showcase the app at several medical and clinical trial conferences throughout the year. These forums provided a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness of ClinTrial Refer as an innovative resource providing easy access to current clinical trials and also to build the ClinTrial Refer community of users.

We are humbled to receive such wonderful support from everyone. Thank you for your continued commitment and loyalty in helping us along the ClinTrial Refer journey.

What our App Managers are saying



Maria Crusado and Rega Tabba
Melanoma Institute Australia

“It is absolutely amazing to use this app and see how it is evolving. Steps are easy to understand and very well explained. I am fortunate to witness it all. Really excited to see what’s next.”

**Rega Tabbaa, Clinical Trials Data Manager,
Melanoma Institute Australia.**

Latest App News

Your privacy is important to us

Mobile phone details are now optional when registering as a user on the ClinTrial Refer App.

Notifications are optional

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Notification settings in the app are now defaulted to OFF for new users signing up. Once the ClinTrial Refer app is downloaded users can set their notification preferences manually. To choose to receive emails with details about new trials and changes to existing trials please access the notification options in the app settings menu.

Newsletter Name Competition

We are running a competition to rename the ClinTrial Refer newsletter. Thank you to all who have submitted name suggestions so far. We are getting closer to choosing a name, however we have decided to keep the competition going until 31 March 2020.

Email your suggestions to Christine.Zahren@health.nsw.gov.au to be in the running to win!

Would you like to be an inspiration for someone?

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 raheela@clintrialreferapp.com. We'd love to hear from you.



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