

Clearing the Path for Research

Metro South Health Research Development Service

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In January 2025, we established a research development service to support high quality, clinician-led research design. Over 12 months, we supported 144 researchers and fulfilled 224 support requests:

- 113 protocols developed
- 48 document sets prepared
- 18 Ethics applications supported
- 15 Research governance queries resolved
- 15 Participant information and consent forms reviewed
- 12 Project plans refined
- 3 Grant and budget advice issued

Service-wide support for researchers in all facilities:



Bayside Health Service 9



Princess Alexandra Hospital: 88



Queen Elizabeth Jubilee Hospital: 22



Logan & Beaudesert Health Service: 17



Community & Oral Health Services: 4



Addiction & Mental Health Services: 4



100% positive feedback from 47 service users

90-96% Very satisfied with:
Communication
Helpfulness
Accuracy of advice
Overall experience

82-83% Strongly agreed they had:
Increased confidence
Reduced confusion

84% Strongly agreed the service aligns with MSH culture and values