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Expert Service Team
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Welcome to CQUEST's first newsletter!

The Cancer Quality of Life Expert Service Team (CQUEST) is the new Quality of Life Technical Service funded by Cancer Australia to provide advice on patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs) to the national Multi-site [Cancer Collaborative Clinical Trials Groups \(CCTGs\)](#).

CQUEST personnel include the Co-Executives, [Associate Professor Brendan Mulhern](#) and [Dr Tim Luckett](#) and an Executive Advisory Committee comprised of key members from [CREST](#) (Cancer Research Economics Support Team), [IMPACCT](#) (Centre for Improving Palliative, Aged and Chronic Care through Clinical Research and Translation), and the previous Quality of Life - Technical Service (QoL-TS) provider, The University of Sydney's Quality of Life Office.

CQUEST is also supported by an Expert Team from UTS and a Steering Committee with national and international membership of PROM experts and consumers.

We are grateful to [Linda James](#), who is providing project support to assist with establishing our communications and administration processes.

We look forward to working with you in 2022.

Associate Professor Brendan Mulhern and Dr Tim Luckett CQUEST Co-executives



We're hiring! Research Fellow or Senior Research Fellow

If you have experience in the measurement and evaluation of health outcomes, we want to hear from you.

The Research Fellow/Senior Research Fellow will contribute to our program of research in measurement and valuation of quality-of-life and health outcomes and economic evaluation.

You will be working with the CQUEST team as well as on a range of project evaluation health programs and interventions, including digital health programs.

Questions about the role can be sent to cquest@uts.edu.au.

Access the position description and application process:

<https://www.uts.edu.au/research-and-teaching/our-research/health-economics-research-and-evaluation/news/position-available-research-fellow/senior-research-fellow>

Zoom Workshop: Choosing patient reported outcome measures for cancer clinical research


Join us for a Zoom workshop on how to choose the right patient reported outcomes measures for your clinical cancer research.


This workshop is for you if:

- you want to learn more about the conceptual frameworks for guiding approaches to PRO measurement; and/or
- you are in the process of developing a concept and you want advice on the right PROMs to include in your study

 Date: Wednesday 23 March 2022

 Time: 1pm to 2pm AEDT

 Where: Online via Zoom

 More info: <https://www.uts.edu.au/research/cancer-quality-life-expert-service-team-cquest/events/choosing-right-proms-cancer-clinical-research>

 Contact: cquest@uts.edu.au



Expression of interest: CQUEST Steering Committee

We are seeking expressions of interest for two CCTG members to join the CQUEST Steering Committee.

The purpose of the Steering Committee is to provide the CQUEST Core Executive with advice and support on strategic direction and the development of capacity building activities.

The Committee will also ensure that CQUEST support to CCTGs reflects the needs of the sector and consumers, as well as the latest thinking on inclusion of PROs in cancer trials and sub-studies.

The Committee will meet twice per year via video conference and members may be asked to comment on materials outside of meeting times.

We would love to hear from you if you are active CCTG member and have an interest in PROMs.

Click on the button below to express your interest by 21 February.

Please direct any questions to cquest@uts.edu.au

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CCTG events and news

Cancer Symptom Trials (CST) | [CST Annual Research Forum 2022](#) | 17 - 18 March 2022

Australia New Zealand Gynaecological Oncology Group (ANZGOG) | [ANZGOG Annual Scientific Meeting 2022](#) | 23 - 26 March 2022

Australia New Zealand Urogential and Prostate Cancer Trials Group | [ANZUP22 Annual Scientific Meeting](#) | 10 - 12 July 2022

Thoracic Oncology Group Australia (TOGA) | [TOGA Annual Scientific Meeting 2022](#) | 21 - 22 July 2022

TROG Cancer Research | [TROG ASM 2022 postponed](#)



Expressions of interest: PC4's Community Advisory Group

PC4 is inviting expressions of interest to join their Community Advisory Group (CAG). The PC4 CAG provides advice on research directions and priorities from a consumer perspective.

To join the CAG, you have had cancer, known or cared for someone with cancer, or just be interested in cancer research and helping people.

Expressions of Interest close on 25 March. Read more [here](#).



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