

Committees

The Institute's Human Research Ethics Committee

The Institute's Ethics Committee (HREC) considers the ethical implications of all proposed research projects involving human subjects or human tissue, to determine whether or not the projects are acceptable on scientific and ethical grounds, in accordance with the NHMRC National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Research Involving Humans.

Many of the Institute's research projects extend over several years, as they try and tackle complex, difficult research questions. During this year, one new project was approved, one new project decision deferred to September 2000, four projects were completed, three terminated, whilst one had not commenced as planned, resulting in 25 on-going projects.

The Institute Ethics Committee was invited to review and submit recommendations on two sets of Australian Health Ethics Committee (NHMRC) draft Guidelines. These were: *Draft Guidelines on Ethical Aspects of Human Genetic Testing and Second Stage of the Draft Guidelines under Section 95 of the Privacy Act 1988.*

Membership of the Committee had several changes during this period. In May this year we farewelled after 13 years of valued service, the Chair, Professor Louis Waller, and thanked him for his tireless dedication to the work of the Committee. His contribution, knowledge and wisdom will be greatly missed. Reverend Dr Rufus Black has accepted the role as the new Chair of the Ethics Committee, along with Ms Katherine Sampson as Deputy Chair. We also welcomed in May Mr Paul McCaffrey, in the capacity of legal representative and trust his time with us will be rewarding and stimulating.



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