

RTN-Vic

Regional Trials Network - Victoria

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Aboriginal Artwork Launch. Peter Peterson's work on the hospital ceiling. Picture: Krystal Torney

New Sites in the Spotlight

The Regional Trials Network- Victoria welcomes new sites Mildura Base Public Hospital and Latrobe Regional Hospital to the Network.

The Project Team had the opportunity to visit Mildura Base Public Hospital in May and were blown away by the support and excitement of the Executive Team. Photo above is from the ceiling in the hospital foyer.

We are looking forward to also meeting the wonderful team at Latrobe Regional Hospital over the next few months.



RTN workshop and ReViTALISE Launch

The Lancemore at Macedon Ranges (pictured above) was the venue for our 2 day RTN workshop and ReViTALISE Project Launch.

The first day was a chance for the RTN-Vic members to workshop the Networks primary focus for the next 12 months and discuss their hopes for the Networks future.

The second day was a meeting with the entire team where the ReViTALISE Initiative Co-Leads pitched their ideas to the group with opportunities for people to ask questions, work through strategies of potential issues and share knowledge.

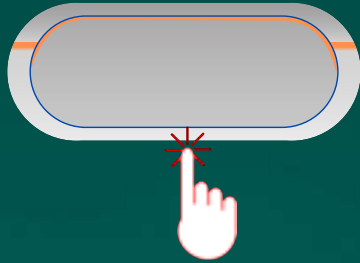
The name of this project is the Regional Victoria Trials Alliance: Linkages, Innovation, Special populations, Equity (ReViTALISE) project. The project will run over 5 years and has been funded \$18.6 million under the National Critical Research Infrastructure Initiative announced as part of the Commonwealth Governments Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF).

The meeting proved a great networking and knowledge sharing experience. 100% of attendees responding to our survey said that they would come to next years meeting.

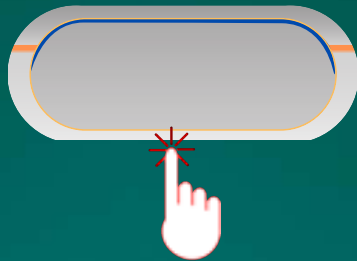


RTN news

Cancer Council Victoria case study RTN-Vic



MJA article



475 patients recruited to clinical trials at the RTN Network sites in 2020

147 regional patients recruited to TARGET TP - Teletrial across the Network sites



RTN-Vic 2020

2020 was a challenge for all of us. COVID19 creating difficulties both in our work spaces as well as for service delivery and Clinical Trials was no exception.

The Oncology community were quick to pivot to a new way of working and sharing information with the VCCC and Monash partners starting a COVIDCANCER Slack Channel to assist with news relating to Cancer and COVID.

The 2020 Clinical Trial data from the RTN shows that there was a slight dip in patient numbers for 2020 but number of clinical trials did rise slightly.

Pleasingly we have seen increase in recruiting trials of 75% since 2017 and a 23% improvement in patients recruited since 2017

RTN-Vic members

Ballarat Health

Barwon Health

Bendigo Health

Border Medical Oncology

Cancer Trials Australia

Goulburn Valley Health

Latrobe Regional Hospital

Mildura Base Public Hospital

Southwest Health Care

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[National Clinical Trial Governance Framework](#)

[VCCC Teletrials information & resources](#)



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