# REGGS Ethics & Governance: How-To Guides

**Project Registration** 

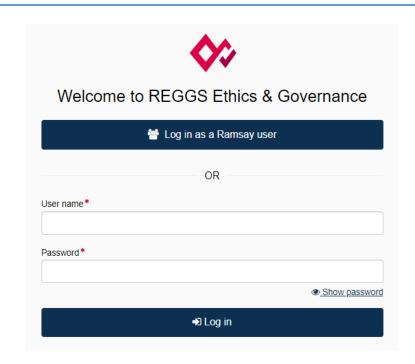


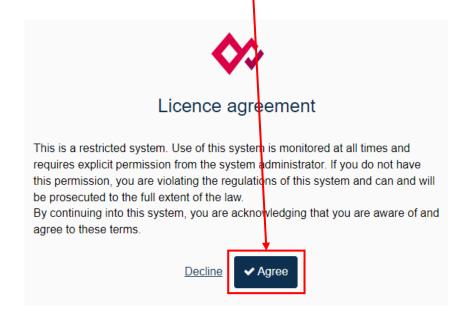
## Step 1

- ➤ Before you can complete and submit an SSA or HREA, you must register your project, using the steps below.
- Log into REGGS.

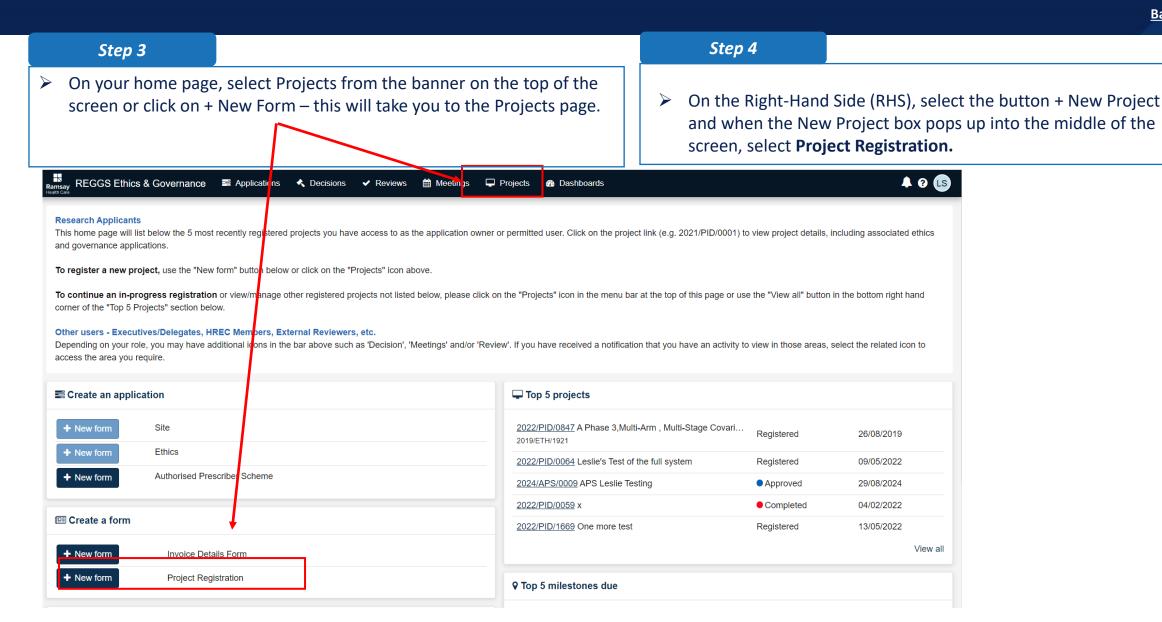
## Step 2

- ➤ A "Licence agreement" notice will appear on your screen.
- Click Agree
- > This will log you into your account.











Read carefully over the Introduction page and then select 'Next' on the RHS of the page.

#### Introduction

Part A: Previous Ethics Application

Part B: Project Details

Part C: Research Site/s

Part D:

Ramsay Coordinating Principal Investigator

Part E: Upload Attachments

Submit

### Introduction

Any projects conducted at a Ramsay Health Care (Ramsay) Facility or business co-located at a Ramsay Facility (e.g. doctors' private rooms) are eligible for review by our HRECs and Research Governance Office.

Please refer to our website <a href="https://www.ramsayhealth.com.au/Ramsay-Research">https://www.ramsayhealth.com.au/Ramsay-Research</a> for additional guidance and information regarding the application process, including ethics committee dates and our current list of fees.

#### How to apply for Research at Ramsay:

In order to submit either a Research Ethics application to a Ramsay Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) or a Research Governance application for a research project at a Ramsay Facility, you must first complete a Project Registration form.

Information entered during Project Registration will help identify whether a Human Research Ethics Application (HREA) and/or Site Specific Assessment (SSA) will need to be generated by REGGS for your project/site.

Project Registration also assists in determining what else might need to be provided to complete your application in response to your answers to various questions as you proceed, including required attachments.

Where possible, information provided during Project Registration will be used to pre-populate relevant fields in subsequent applications for faster and easier completion. Master Study documents uploaded with the Project Registration Form will also be shared with subsequent applications for this project.

Step One: Complete this Project Registration form to tell us about your proposed research and whether you require Ethical Approval, Site Approvals or both. The Project registration form links all relevant applications under one project.

Step Two: Submit the Project Registration form

Step Three: Locate your Ethics and Governance application forms. These can be found under the Applications accessed at the top of the home page or via the PID number appearing on your home page.

Step four: Complete and submit your ETH application (if required)

Step Five: Complete your RGO application for EACH Site requiring authorisation

Note: You cannot edit a Project Registration after it has been submitted.



Answer all questions in Parts A through to D – Part A – Previous Ethics Application – Whether the project is covered under Ramsay's HREC A or WA/SA or an external, NHMRC Certified Board; e.g. Bellberry, St Vincent's, Monash etc.

# Part A: Previous Ethics Application







ill the Ramsay Health Care sites participating in this project be covered under any existing or planned ethics submission to an NHMRC Certified HREC external to Ramsay Health Care? 🛭 🖰



If you are intending to submit your project to a Ramsay HREC for ethical review, answer "No" for Question A1

If you have existing HREC approval for this project (via a Ramsay HREC or an external HREC), or you are intending to apply to an external HREC, please answer "Yes" for Question A1. The existing HREC approval must list the relevant Ramsay sites

If your external approving HREC will not agree to cover participating Ramsay sites, or does not appear in the HREC dropdown list below, you will be required to submit your project to a Ramsay HREC for review

Please contact ResearchGovernance@ramsayhealth.com.au before submitting your form if you are unsure how to answer this question or have any questions





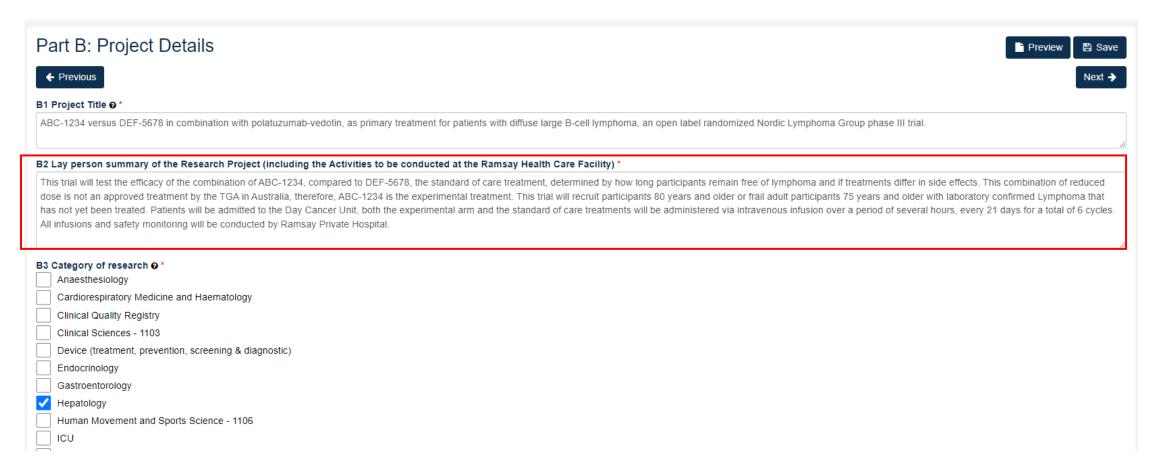
Yes: Only click yes if your site is included on the ethics approval letter from an external HREC as either the lead or supporting site.

No: Click 'no' if there is no existing external approval and you are not seeking ethics approval from an external HREC such as Bellberry, or if the external approval is from a body (e.g. from a public health HREC) that will not include your Ramsay site. In both these cases you will need to submit an ethics application to a Ramsay HREC.



## Step 7

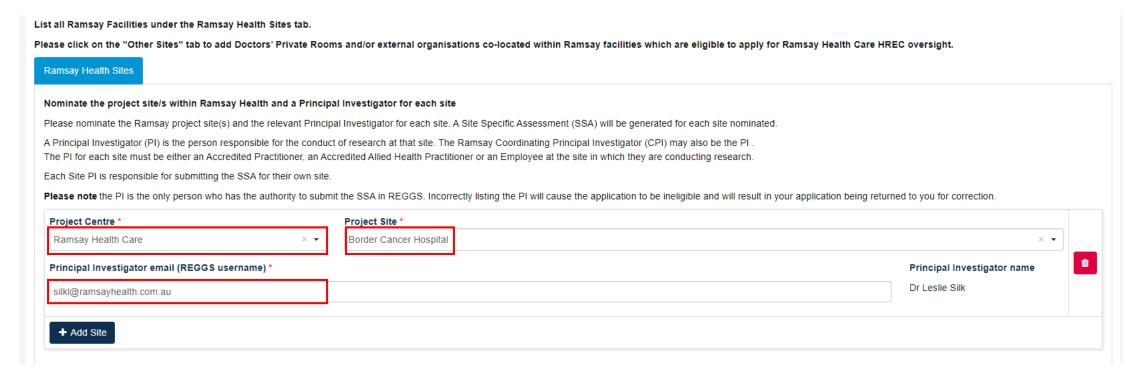
➤ Part B - Project Details - Answer every question on this page, ensuring you provide a lay-person summary of the activities to be conducted at the Ramsay Health Care Facility.





## Step 8

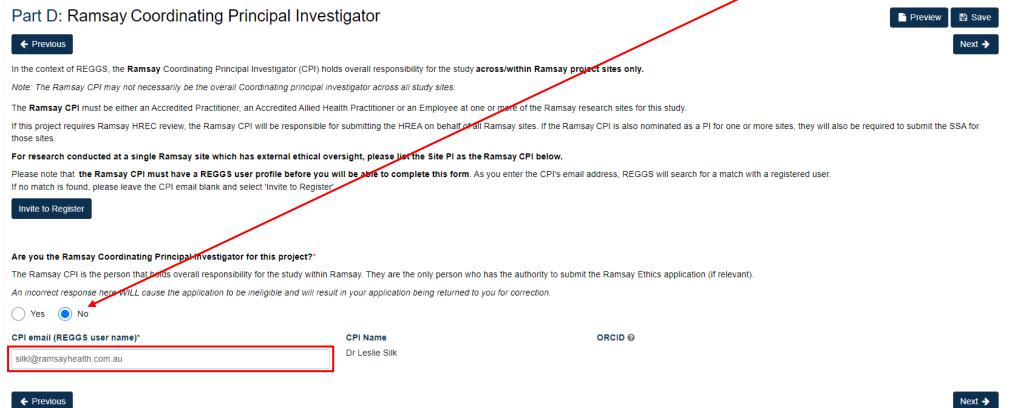
> Part C - Research Sites — Under Ramsay Health Sites, select + Add Site and Project Centre as Ramsay Health Care nominate the Ramsay Project Site and the relevant Principal Investigator for each site. A Site-Specific Assessment (SSA) will be generated for each site nominated.





## Step 9

➤ **Part D** – Ramsay Coordinating Principal Investigator – Please answer No for 'Are you the Ramsay Coordinating Principal Investigator for this project?' then type in the email address of the Principal Investigator (which is also their REGGS username).

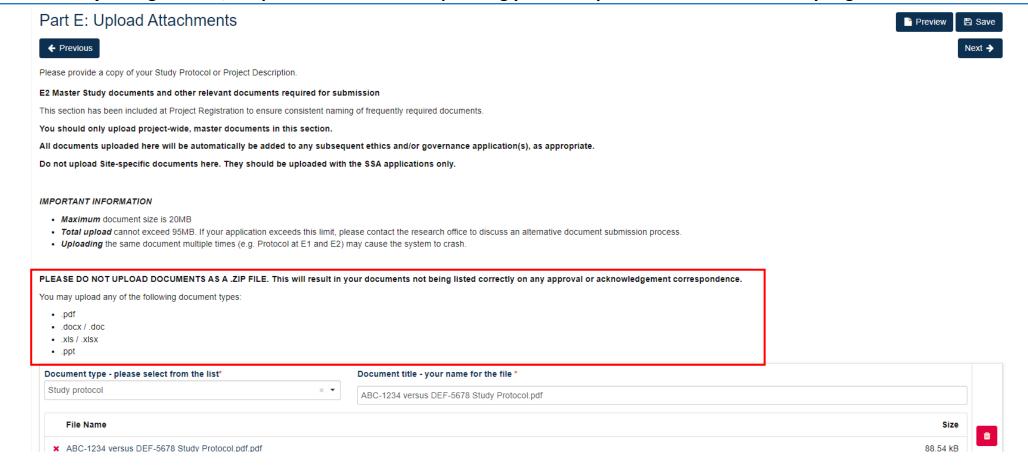




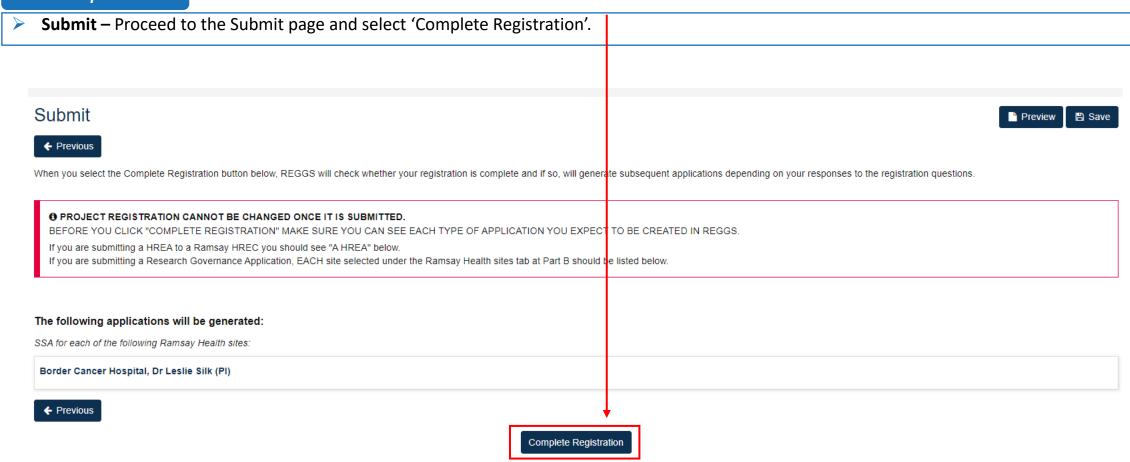


## Step 10

Part E – Upload Attachments – Please upload a copy of the Study Protocol or Project Description and any other Master Documentation. Please upload each document separately, not as a zip, and in the following format, pdf, docx, xls, ppt. *Tip:* You may upload all your Master documents in the Project Registration, but please withhold from uploading your Site-Specific documentation until you get to the SSA.







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**Site Specific Application** 



Once you have submitted your Project Registration, it will appear on your Home Page under 'Top 5 Projects' with an ID as follows; 2024/PID/0162. Click on this link and you will be taken to your Project Page.

#### Research Applicants This home page will list below the 5 most recently registered projects you have access to as the application owner or permitted user. Click on the project link (e.g. 2021/PID/0001) to view project details, including associated ethics and governance applications. To register a new project, use the "New form" button below or click on the "Projects" icon above. To continue an in-progress registration or view/manage other registered projects not listed below, please click on the "Projects" icon in the menu bar at the to po f this page or use the "View all" button in the bottom right hand corner of the "Top 5 Projects" section below. Other users - Executives/Delegates, HREC Members, External Reviewers, etc. Depending on your role, you may have additional icons in the bar above such as 'Decision', 'Meetings' and/or 'Review'. If you have received a notification that you have an activity to view in those areas, select the related icon to access the area you require E Create an application ☐ Top 5 projects 2024/PID/0162 ABC-1234 versus DEF-5678 in combination with polatuzumab-v... Site 12/09/2024 + New form 2023/PID/0194 PRIME - The risks of caffeine consumption via energy drinks in ... Registered 18/09/2023 + New form Ethics 2022/PID/0064 Leslie's Test of the full system Registered 09/05/2022 Authorised Prescriber Scheme + New form

Note: The PID is the Project Identifier, e.g. 2024/PID/0162. Once you submit your Project Registration you will also be assigned an RGO identifier, e.g. 2024/RGO/0172.

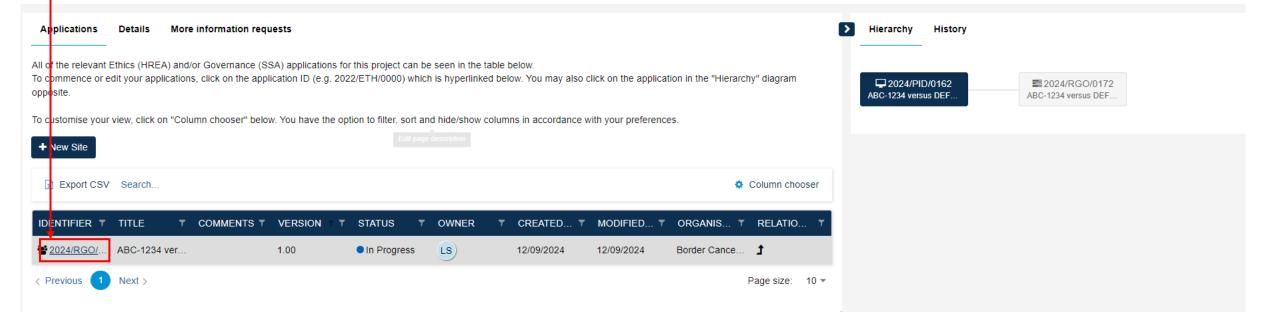


# Proceeding to the SSA

# Step 2

Halfway down the page under the words **IDENTIFIER**, you will see another link which is the application for this project with an ID as follows; **2024/RGO**...Click on this link to begin your SSA.

Project > 2024/PID/0162 - ABC-1234 versus DEF-5678 in combination with polatuzumab-vedotin, as primary treatment for patients with diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, an open label randomized Nordic Lymphoma Group phase III trial.





# Step 3

Part A – Project Wide Information – Please answer every question on the page with a red asterisk. If a Research Agreement is required for this study, indicate accordingly (yes/no) and nominate the status, i.e., 'Reviewed by Research Contracts, fully executed and attached to application'. Note: You will only have a Sponsor if your study is a Clinical Trial - all other studies do not require a Sponsor. Please select None at B5 for all other study types. For studies that do have a Sponsor, please make sure you include the name of the Local Sponsor.

Sponsor Name	
Cancer Institute NSW	× ▼
A14. Research Agreement *	
A14.1 Is a Research Agreement required for this study? *	
(If you are unsure or require further information, please contact Research Contracts at to	he Ramsay Health Care National Research Unit by email at RHCResearchContracts@ramsayhealth.com.au)
Yes No	
A14.1.2 Please advise the status of the Research Agreement *	
(If you are unsure or require further information, please contact Research Contacts at to	he Ramsay Health Care National Research Unit by email at RHCResearchContracts@ramsayhealth.com.au)
Reviewed by Research Contracts, fully executed and attached to application	
Budget fully negotiated - Agreement still under review by all Parties	
Currently being reviewed by all Parties - Agreement and budget not yet finalised	
We have not contacted Research Contracts yet (ooops!)	
A14.2 Has the Sponsor provided Ramsay with an indemnity? *	
Yes     No	
	Next 🍑





# Step 4

Part B – Site Team – Please fill out an entry for each member of your study team, i.e., Principal Investigator, Sub-Investigator, Clinical Trials Coordinator/Nurse/Assistant, Research Assistant. *Please ensure you indicate whether the person is accredited to practice in a Ramsay facility*, whether they are a student, the research activities they will be responsible for at site and their expertise relevant to the study.

B2. Principal Investigator									
Email *	Name Dr Leslie Silk			Contact phone (mobile preferred) *					
silkl@ramsayhealth.com.au				0431 555 666					
Position * @	Employer	1	Department *						
Principal Investigator			Oncology						
B3. Describe the research activities this person will be responsible for at this site									
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As the Principal Investigator, Dr Silk will oversee the conduct of the study at Border Cancer Hospital, participating under the coordination of the study sponsor, Elysium Pharmaceuticals Pty Ltd. PI Silk will also oversee the initial and ongoing Ethics and Governance requirements. As the PI, Dr Silk will be responsible for participant recruitment and consent, treatment, care and follow up.									
B4. Describe the person's expertise relevant to this research activity they will	undertake at this site *								
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Dr Silk is a qualified medical oncologist with over 20 years experience in Clinical T is a member of the Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians. As Ethics and Governance requirements be responsible for the recruitment, treatmen	s previously mentioned she wi	ill be responsible for the overall conduct of the study at Site,							
B5. Is the PI a student?*									
Yes No									
B6. Is the PI a Ramsay Health staff member or Accredited Practitioner at this site?									
● Yes ○ No ◆									



## Step 5

Part C – Departments & Services – *Please list every Ramsay-department within your Site that will be participating in the study.* For example, a Phase I Oncology Clinical Trial would include the *Clinical Trials Unit, Day Infusion Unit, Pharmacy* (if this is operated by Ramsay), *a Ward* (should the patient require overnight admission), *Admissions Department, and Intensive Care Unit,* in the event of a Serious Adverse Event. Include a contact name and email address for the nominated personnel and provide documentation of discussions with said departments (such as a signed letter of support), please outline whether training is to be provided to staff and if so, by who and when. Please also outline whether equipment will be provided for the study and confirm this has been discussed with the Hospital beforehand.

C1. Department *						
Day Infusion Unit						
C2. Department Contact Name						
First name Last name						
Jarnah Miller						
C3. Department Contact email address						
millerjarnah@ramsayhealth.com.au						
C4. Please state the study related activities required to be undertaken by this Department and the resources (e.g. staff, service/s, investigations etc) you require this department to provide . *						
If any staff members / VMOs / contractors at this facility require training in order to participate in this research project please provide details here regarding who will be providing the training to Ramsay Staff/Accredited practitioners and who will bear the cost of the training.						
Example: Day Infusion unit staff will be required to administer the study drugs; perform screening tests, monitor participants whilst in the Infusion unit, take regular blood samples and urine samples and administer questionnaires.						
Example: Theatre staff will be required to collect data during surgery using computer equipment provided by the Trial Sponsor. Training will be provided by the Sponsor to the PI and Ramsay Theatre Staff prior to participants being enrolled in the trial. This will occur at the Site.						
As the Nursing Unit Manager, Jarnah will be required to administer the study drugs; perform screening tests, monitor participants whilst in the Infusion unit, take regular blood samples and urine samples and administer questionnaires. All study-specific training will be provided by the Sponsor during the Site Initiation Visit.						



## Step 6

Part D – Recruitment, Records, Tissues & Data Please answer every question on the page based on the Patient Information & Consent Form and the assessments required in the Study Protocol. *Tip: Components that often* get overlooked here include a) failure to select the study requiring access to Medical Records and *access to Ramsay IT Systems* other than Medical Records (if you communicate/collate study information using Ramsay's *Outlook/Word & Excel*, please answer accordingly), b) failure to list all forms of data being collected (questionnaires, recorded interviews, demographics), c) failure to select all the treatments, procedures, interventions being performed on a patient (don't just list the Investigational Drug, list the Standard Comparator if the study is a Randomised Controlled Trial, blood, tissue samples, radiation and imaging etc.) and d) failure to nominate whether the patient will require hospitalisation for the research project.

Part D: Recruitment, Records, Tissue and Data
← Previous
D1. Will participants be providing written consent to participate in this research study?*
Yes    No
D1.1 How will participants be identified and approached? *
Participants will be identified during ward/oncology rounds or in the Investigator's private rooms and provided with a PICF for consideration. They will be invited to attend a follow up appointment and Informed Consent visit.
D1.2 Where will consent be obtained and by whom? (e.g. In Doctors' rooms, Day Oncology Unit, on Surgical ward etc.) *
Consent will be obtained by the Principal Investigator in her private rooms.
D1.3 Where will participant consent forms be kept and who will have access to them?*
A signed copy will be given to the participant, and the original will be kept in their clinical trial/patient folder which will be stored securely in a locked cupboard of the Clinical Trials Unit, only members of the Study Team will have access
D2. Is there a numeric site enrolment target?*
Yes    No
D3. What is the minimum number of participants to be enrolled at this site?*
No minimum target at this site
2
D4. What is the maximum number of participants to be enrolled at this site?*
No maximum target at this site
4
D6. Will this project require access to a participant's medical record (including electronic databases) from this site at any stage of the research project?*  Before enrolling participants
Ramsa



## Step 7

Part E – Site Costing & **Funding** – Please answer each question marked with an asterisk. If staff are providing support for your project without payment - eg collecting samples, administering questionnaires, recruiting participants, please indicate Yes at F2. Under Invoicing Details for Research Governance Review Fees, ensure you list all details required on this invoice, including anything specified by the Sponsor. This will typically be the details contained in research contracts.

## Part E: Site Costing and Funding Previous E1.1. Will funding be provided to the Facility for the research activity at this site? \* Please provide details: This is a Commercially Sponsored clinical trial, funding of which will be provided by the Sponsor, Elysium Pharmaceuticals Pty Ltd. E1.2. Are there any financial costs to the Facility associated with the project which will not be covered by funding?\* Yes No E2. Are there any non-financial costs to the Facility (e.g. providing in-kind resources) associated with the project?\* ( Yes Invoicing Details for Research Governance Review Fees Please provide invoicing details for the payment of Research Governance Review fees. N.B. Please ensure you list all details required to be listed on this invoice, including any Sponsor requirements. Company Name <sup>1</sup> Elysium Pharmaceuticals Pty Ltd 36 003 184 889 Attention to \* Address Douglas Hanly 60 George St, Marrickville NSW 2204, Australia Phone <sup>3</sup> (61) 2556 7891 douglas@elysiumpharma.com.au Landline Additional Email Site No (if applicable) Protocol Number/Reference \* Invoicing Instructions @ ABC-1234 Please email invoices to Douglas on the email address provided All Governance fees are payable to the Ramsay Hospital Research Foundation. An invoice will be generated and sent for payment once an application has been lodged.



## Step 8

Part F – Attachments, Site-**Specific Documents –** Here you must upload the documents that are specific to your Site. These include Patient Information & Consent Forms – ensure you use version control in the footer, the Logo relevant to your Ramsay Site, list the **Director of Clinical Services** of the facility or the Ramsay National Research Office, as contact for any complaints relating to the research. A Governance Checklist can be downloaded from our website:

https://www.ramsayhealth.c om.au/Ramsay-Research/Applying-for-Research-Governance-at-Ramsay

## Part F: Attachments – Site Specific Documents

Previous

Please note the details entered in "Document Type" and "Document Descriptor" fields below are what will appear on the decision notification email.

For example, if "Document Type" were selected as "Participant Information Sheet" and "Document Descriptor" is entered as "Arm 1 Master version 1 dated 22 June 2021" the decision notification email will list the document as follows:

Participant Information Sheet – Arm 1 Master version 1 dated 22 June 2021

PLEASE DO NOT UPLOAD DOCUMENTS AS A ZIP FILE. This will result in your documents not being listed correctly on any approval or acknowledgement correspondence.

You may upload any of the following document types

- .pdf
- .docx / .doc
- .xls / .xlsx
- .ppt

The following minimum documents should be provided with your submission. Please ensure both clean and tracked changes versions are provided where applicable:

- Study Protocol
- Ethical approvals for all documents provided
- · Ethical approval for Ramsay Sites to participate in trial
- . CTN naming Ramsay Facility and Investigator Brochure (for unapproved products/devices)
- Pharmacy Service Form \*\*\* for all trials using Ramsay Pharmacy services NEW
- Master and Site Specific PICFs
- . Any other patient facing HREC approved documents to be used in Ramsay Facility (eg surveys, questionnaires, advertising, data collection sheets)
- · Research Contracts, Indemnities (as applicable)
- . Proof of current Insurance cover: eg Clinical Trials Insurance for specific study or Medical/Professional Indemnity Insurance (confirming research is covered)
- CV and GCP for Site PI

Note: Master documents uploaded at the Project Registration form do not need to be uploaded again.

Document Title		Document Type		File Name	
ABC-1234 versus DEF-5678 HREA		Ethics application (HREA or other)	•	The Humo	
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Document Type *	Document Descriptor	Document Descriptor *		File Name	
Study protocol	× ▼ ABC-1234 versus DEI	F-5678 Study Protocol.pdf			
7.		, .	×	ABC-1234 versus DEF-5678 Study Protocol.pdf.pdf	



## Step 9

Part G - Declaration - Please get the Principal Investigator to answer the question relating to 'any affiliation, financial interest or other conflict of interest' and then press the 'Complete SSA' button down the middle of the page. If the PI does not have capacity to submit the SSA, please fill in the SSA Declaration form (a copy can be provided to you from Governance) sign it, scan and email a copy to our Team with the PI Cc'd on the email and we will submit the SSA on their behalf.

Name of Principal Investigator

Dr Leslie Silk

