Aged Psychiatry Clinical Trials

Offering older patients access to the most up-to-date treatment options within neurodegenerative disease and aged psychiatry

HammondCare’s Dementia Centre was founded in 1995, and has become recognised as a leading research centre for aged care, both nationally and internationally. Conducting clinical trials of new dementia treatments demonstrates a new diversification into neuroscience research and provides important hope for people living with dementia.

Meet the team

Under the leadership of Associate Professor Steve Macfarlane, our multidisciplinary team of clinical trial experts have strong and established links with trial sponsors, Clinical Research Organisations and leading dementia researchers worldwide.

**Associate Professor Stephen Macfarlane**

Associate Professor Stephen Macfarlane is a specialist psychogeriatrician with over twenty-five years of expertise in aged psychiatry. Steve has been active in Alzheimer’s disease clinical trials since the late 1990’s and has been a principal investigator for over forty industry sponsored studies. Steve is very proactive in the Australian clinical trials research space promoting various trials nationwide in the media making him a ‘go to’ clinician for aged psychiatry clinical trials. Steve’s high profile coupled with his high standard of patient care and empathetic approach will cement the new HammondCare Malvern clinical trial site as a first class facility fulfilling the needs of both pharmaceutical clients and patients.

**Michael Kornhauser**

Michael Kornhauser has over eight years experience in clinical trials (five years in Aged Psychiatry). With his multi-level experience as both a trial coordinator and clinical trial pharmacist he is well positioned to attend to sponsor needs.

**Ella Modini**

With an extensive background in psychological and neuropsychological testing Ella Modini has worked on over fifteen clinical trials as both a coordinator and cognitive rater. Her experience spans across all facets of clinical research.

In addition to our core team we have access to the following expert staff:
- Psychogeriatricians & geriatricians
- Neuropsychologists
- Clinical trial nurses/coordinators
- Trained cognitive raters

**Trials we specialise in:**

Steve and his team have extensive experience in the following therapeutic areas:
- Alzheimer’s Disease
- Lewy body dementia
- Fronto-temporal dementia
- Depression
- Huntington’s Disease
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Psychosis

**Capabilities**

In November 2016 HammondCare created a purpose built clinical trial facility with:
- Expedited ethics & governance timelines (4-6 weeks from initial submission to full approval)
- Onsite specimen processing
- Onsite pharmacy
- Multiple patient recruitment pathways
- Strong media profile
- Personalised patient care.

Contact us for more information

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