AUSTRALASIAN KIDNEY TRIALS NETWORK

AKTN Scientific Committee – call for expressions of interest (**Consumer Representative**)

The Australasian Kidney Trials Network (AKTN) works in collaboration with the kidney care community (nephrologists, kidney nurses, dietitians, allied health professionals and patients and their carers) to deliver high-quality, investigator-initiated clinical trials to benefit Australasian kidney patients. The Scientific Committee provides guidance on the scientific direction of the AKTN, including reviewing new trial proposals, providing advice to investigators on new and existing trials, and offering suggestions on how to present the Network's scientific achievements to the Nephrological community. Membership comprises nephrologists with a wide range of clinical and research interests, a health economist, representatives from ANZDATA, KHA-CARI and the Cochrane kidney group, statisticians, a nurse, a consumer representative and a dietitian.

The AKTN is seeking expressions of interest from **Consumers** with an interest in clinical trials, who would be willing to volunteer their time to attend a one-day meeting in interstate once per year, and a 1-2 hour teleconference 2 or 3 times per year. Successful applicants may also be required to participate in ad hoc special interest groups from time to time in the areas of Chronic Kidney Disease and Glomerulonephritis, Haemodialysis, Trial Methodology, Peritoneal Dialysis, Transplantation and Consumer Advisory Board, with a remit of generating new trials and setting the AKTN's research priorities.

Members provide a service to the Nephrological community by guiding the AKTN to ensure the community's priorities are recognised, and in return receive information on, and experience in, the conduct and management of investigator-initiated clinical trials.

If you are interested in being considered or would like more information, please complete the form below and email it to Laura Hickey, AKTN Clinical Operations Manager (aktn@uq.edu.au) by 16 March 2026**.**

Nominations will be considered by current Scientific Committee members, and successful members appointed by majority vote.

1. Name

2. I am applying for the following vacancy: **Consumer Representative**

3. Qualifications

4. Organisation

5. Position held at organisation

6. Please briefly detail your experience with clinical trials

7. Would you be willing to travel to Sydney annually to attend the AKTN Scientific Committee meetings? *(Travel costs will be covered by the AKTN and lunch provided, but salary for this time cannot be provided)*
   Yes ☐ No ☐ *Comment:*
8. Would you be willing to attend 1-2 hour teleconferences 2-3 times per year?
   Yes ☐ No ☐ *Comment:*
9. Would you be willing to contribute to the development of clinical trial ideas through ad-hoc participation in the AKTN's Special Interest Groups (refer paragraph 2 above)?
   Yes ☐ No ☐ *Comment:*
10. Please indicate why you are interested in joining the AKTN Scientific Committee

11. Please include a current CV with your application
    Done ☐
12. Contact email address and phone number