Research & Development Quality Statement

We aim to:

- Ensure that all clinical research (projects and activities) are fulfilled in a professional manner consistent with the requirements and expectations of Sponsors, Principles of Good Clinical Practice (GCP), UK Policy Framework for Health & Social Care Research and The Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) Regulations 2004 (SI 2004 No. 1031) as amended, to ensure the rights, safety and well-being of participants and the scientific integrity of work undertaken.
- Produce research work that is accountable, consistent, reliable and respected in the medical and scientific community.
- Achieve a work environment that is professional, creative and enjoyable in which to work.
- Ensure that management of both organisations make staff aware of the requirements of the Quality Management System and their responsibilities in terms of its implementation and maintenance.

This incorporates:

1. Robust and efficient processes for carrying out the highest quality research, to inspire stakeholders and to meet individual Sponsors’ needs.
2. Attracting and developing high quality, dedicated staff through on-going investment in our resources and training.
3. Completion of research projects to expectation through systems of quality assurance that ensure safe, effective and economic use of resources.

We are committed to complying with the principles outlined above with regular review of our quality objectives and the continuous improvement of our systems.

We shall achieve this by developing a culture that ensures individual commitment to meeting requirements and the achievement of identified objectives.

Quality is everyone’s responsibility

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