



PHRN Review Declaration of Interest Statements

Prof Warwick Anderson

- I am CEO of NHMRC and the Council funds extensive research that requires data linkage.
- I was a member of the NCRIS committee that made the original recommendation to fund a PHRN. ·
- I was a member of the CRIS Universities Australia-Government Consultative Group that recommended extension funding for the PHRN. ·
- NHMRC's Principal Committee on Prevention and Community Care is currently developing a principles paper for on data linkage for research.

Prof James Best

- I am Head of the Medical School at the University of Melbourne, where data linkage is used by academic staff in their research activities.
- A tool for secure data collection and linkage, known as GeneRic Health Network Information Technology for the Enterprise (GRHANITE™), has been developed by Dr Douglas Boyle a member of the Medical School's academic staff.
- The University of Melbourne is a member of Biogrid Australia, a company that operates a federated data sharing platform for collaborative translational health and medical research. Professor Fernando Martin-Sanchez is a director of the company and a member of the academic staff of the Medical School.

Dr Diane Watson

- I am CEO of the National Health Performance Authority (NHPA) which monitors and reports on the performance of public and private hospitals and primary health care organisations. NHPA will, on occasion and in the future, rely on linked data to fulfil its statutory functions. NHPA does not seek linked data from PHRN due to the Network's role to support the research community, does not require external sources of funding to access and use linked data to fulfil its statutory functions and does not supply the research community with linked data to conduct their work.
- I am a member of the National Health Information and Performance Principal Committee which is currently developing a Data Linkage Framework at the request of health ministers.
- I am a member of the National Health Information Strategy Committee of the Australian Commission for Safety and Quality in Health Care.