

LCHS Number	Title	Researchers	Program area	Ethics approval number & committee	LCHS executive approval	Start date	Ethics expiry	Status
2018-1I	Is there a need for AOD and GH clinicians at LCHS to offer a combined referral and management pathway for persons who use, or have used, amphetamines/methamphetamine and gamble?	Tenille Thorburn, Karen Missen, Susan Waller, Tabbatha Mallia, Kimberley Ure, Sarah	AOD/GH	Approval from MUHREC-13872 22/06/18	Approved 19/06/2018	Jul-18	22/06/2023	Proposal approved by Research Council 17.05.18
<b>Aim:</b> The primary purpose of this study is to evaluate the relative effectiveness of an educational intervention and standardised process for cross-referral to assist clinicians in better identifying comorbid and methamphetamine use in								
2018-2I	Evaluation of new online severity stuttering rating system	Karen Missen, Adrienne Robinson, Amy Wielgosz, Petra Boverly-Spencer	LCHS Children's Service	Approval from MUHREC-13798 22/6/18	Approved 19/06/2018	Jul-18	22/06/2023	Proposal approved by Research Council 17.05.18.
<b>Aim:</b> To test the premise that the introduction of online severity stuttering rating system and daily reminder text will increase adherence to Phase 1 of the Lidcombe pilot stuttering program								
2018-3I	Evaluating the Effects of Therapeutic Gardening and Therapeutic Day Rehabilitation in a Rural Community Health Service	Scott Forrest, Ashlea King, Mark Anthony Alindogan, Susan Waller, Karen Missen	Community Support and Connection		Approved 19/06/2018			Proposal approved by Research Council 17.05.18.
<b>Aim:</b> Overall, this study aims to evaluate the effects therapeutic gardening and the therapeutic day rehabilitation have on program participants. Specifically the study will: 1. Explore the effects of combined therapeutic gardenng and TDR program have on program participants 2. Determine if there is any significant difference in TDR Participants' QOL scores at baseline, end-of-program and after 3months follow-up								
2016-2I	Allied Health early career cluster	Susan Waller	PERU/MUDRIH	MUHREC CF 16/428; LRH 206-07LNR	Yes	MUHREC (14 Ma	MUHREC (14th March 2021); LRH 12th October 2017	Data collection completed and analysis underway (5.04.2018)
<b>Aims:</b> To explore the value of a structured group transition-to-work program for early career allied health practitioners. A mixed methods evaluation of the benefits for early career allied health practitioners and for health services								
2016-1I	A podiatry-led interprofessional team approach to the high risk foot in regional community health	Susan Waller, Shan Bergin, Stacey Beacham, Nicole Gawley	Primary intervention (Podiatry)	CF16/458-2016000218 Monash	Apr-16			Write-up stage.
<b>Aims:</b> This project aims to evaluate the development of the advanced practice podiatry role and health and quality of life outcomes in order to inform health service improvement								
2015-1I	Guided Care: Program outcomes for clients with a chronic disease	Ms Petra Boverly-Spencer, Ms Nicole McFarlane; Mr Nick Hanna; Ms Karyn Thomas; Dr Alison Beauchamp, Dr Susan Waller.	LCHS/MUDRIH	Approval from MUHREC; (CF15/2945 – 2015001211)	September, 2014.	2015	2020	Data collection ongoing
<b>Aims:</b> Early intervention in chronic disease targets people with chronic and complex needs who may progress towards requiring hospitalization in the medium to long term. Within the LCHS program there are a number of consultations that take place to assist a client to increase their ability to self-manage their chronic condition. Consultations include individual consultations with clinical staff, group consultations such as exercise of better health self-management and education. However, it has not yet been determined whether the consultations are changing the behaviour of the clients with chronic health care and enabling them to self-manage and achieve their health management goals. This research will enable the investigators to build on a pilot project conducted in 2014, and investigate further whether the targeted outcomes of the LCHS Guided Care program are achieving the aims of the program.								

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2017	Victorian Wound outcomes benchmarking study	Led by Regional Wounds Victoria, Maryanne Cullen & Linda Raymond are LCHS reps	Regional Wounds Victoria	Melbourne Health to be submitted 22nd feb	17th Feb			Project put on hold at the moment
Aim: To benchmark wound outcomes across District Nursing Services in rural and regional Victoria using routinely collected data.								
2018-1E	The role of the primary carers of palliating people: A qualitative study of carers in Gippsland, Victoria	Porter, J; Miller, E	Federation University					Approved by Research Council 17.05.18. Briefing document sent to LCHS Executive for review
Aim: To develop an understanding of the role of primary carers of palliating people in Gippsland, Victoria: 1. What coping strategies are utilised by the carers. 2. What are carers current and future needs.								
2018-4I	Telkaya Project- Very Brief Advice for behavioural change	Karen Missen, Susan Waller, Alison Beauchamp, Petra Boverly-Spencer	PERU, MUDRH, Primary Intervention					Grant application submitted to ECHO/FRRR on the 3/07/2018
Aim: To develop and evaluate a face to face and online training program for the delivery of very brief advice about lifestyle risk factors in two rural community health settings and one Aboriginal health service.								

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2017 - 1E	Understanding the uptake of the Child Dental Benefit Schedule in Gippsland	Goode J, Massood M, Beauchamp A, Waller S, Goode D, Calache H	La Trobe University, LCHS	Submitted to La Trobe HREC	Dec-16	Jan-17	Jan-19	Interview data being analyzed/ quant data yet to be extracted and shared with research team (5.04.2018)
Aim: To understand the perceptions of parents/ carers and dental practitioners in relation to use of subsidised or public dental services in the Gippsland region. CI Dr Jacky Goode La Trobe University								
2016 - 3E	Telehealth for rural palliative care: a prospective controlled pilot study of video consultations for patients and carers study	A/Prof Peter Poon, Betty Jiang	Monash Health	West Gippsland Healthcare Group	09-Sep-16	Sep-16		Data collection ongoing- Emailed Betty Jiang 5.4.18 to check on progress of project- still recruiting patients
Aim: This project seeks to measure the benefits of bedside videoconference consultations in the home setting of patients. This will be provided by metropolitan-based palliative care physicians to patients in Gippsland in conjunction with local community palliative care services. LCHS palliative care staff and patients will be involved.								
2016 - 2E	Stories of illness; theirs, mine and ours' study	Margaret Simmons		MUHREC - CF16/11 – 2016000003	01-Mar-16			Data collection ongoing. One paper of early findings submitted
Aim: This research project is exploring stories of illness; these might be stories from a patient's viewpoint or a health professional with their own illness story to tell. Will improve understanding of how health staff and patients/ client present their illness stories. Online survey for LCHS staff and clients.								
2016-1E	Assessing the effect of emotional intelligence training on staff sense of empowerment, satisfaction, performance and well-being	Prof Sandra Leggat Associate Prof Leila Karimi	La Trobe University		20-May-16			3/05/2018 unsuccessful in ARC linkage grant-
Aim:								
2015 - 3E	Victorian Cytology - Compass trial			Bellberry HREC, No: 2014-11-592	01/11/2015			Recruitment and data collection ongoing (5.04.2018)
Aim: To demonstrate that 5-yearly primary HPV DNA testing is as or more effective than 2.5 yearly cytology testing at preventing CIN 3+ in both women offered HPV vaccination and women not offered vaccination; to demonstrate the efficiency of dual stained cytology testing as a triage test. Participants recruited through GPs, including at LCHS								
2015 1E	Interprofessional education and learning in rural clinical learning environments	Lorraine Walker	University of Tasmania					Data collection underway PhD project (5.04.2018)
Aim: This project seeks to explore the opportunities in rural health services to promote interprofessional learning, assess clinician's and student's readiness for interprofessional learning and practice and develop an education framework to guide clinical teachers in the workplace. Survey and interview								

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2017 - 1E	The association between person-organisation fit and staff outcomes in a mental health context	Jessica Herkes, Prof Braithwaite	Macquarie university	Macquarie university #5201700241	Apr-17	Apr-17	5 years	Data collection completed June 2017	
Aim: to undertake a survey and interviews among Headspace employees and volunteers nationally to examine the multidimensional relationships between person-organisation fit and staff stress, satisfaction and burn out									
2013 - 7E.	Biographic narratives: A case study of men with history of intimate partner violence against women	Prof. Lenore Manderson & Mr Carlos Clavijo	Monash University	CF13/1906 - 2013000984	10-Dec-13	16-Sep-13	16-Sep-18	Thesis completed and passed	Thesis <a href="http://arrow.monash.edu.au/hdl/1959.1/1282370">http://arrow.monash.edu.au/hdl/1959.1/1282370</a>
Aim: The PhD is based on the finding that there is a gap in our understanding of how change occurs and is maintained among men who are or were perpetrators of violence, who have participated in interventions to prevent continued use of violence. A limited number of the community that attend this service were interviewed. On completion of this project a publication will make available the findings from this research.									
	Overcoming difficult conversations in clinical supervision	Brett Williams,	Monash University					Publication submitted - not accepted as yet	
Online survey of staff									
2014 - 3I	Evaluating the impact of attending the LCHS children's services program.	Dr Eleanor Mitchell, Dr Sue Fletcher,	MUDRIH/LCHS	Approval from MUHREC (ACF14/1405 - 2014000660)		2014		Completed	?
There is evidence that providing support and services for infants and young children with a developmental delay and their families, can alter the child's longer-term developmental trajectory. Latrobe Community Health Service is currently delivering an interprofessional model of service for children up to seven years who are experiencing delays. This evaluation will provide information about outcomes useful to other services in their design of similar programs.									
2013 - 8E.	Evaluation of Vic Health's 'Be Active' program within the health together Victoria initiative.	Dr Alan Shiell, Dr Lyndal Bond, Dr Therese Riley & Ms Rebecca Moran (CEIPS)	Deakin University	HEAG-H 114_2013.	10-Dec-13	06-Aug-13	06-Aug-16	CEIPS dissolved late 2015. Project completed but not sent to LCHS	Report at: <a href="http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/programs-and-projects/be-active">/www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/programs-and-projects/be-active</a>
The objectives of this evaluation were to: determine the effectiveness of Be Active in achieving program objectives; determine the effectiveness of VicHealth's capacity building components, to strengthen knowledge within local government to increase physical activity and volunteering; and determine how 'Be Active' has complemented and enhanced the HTV in increasing physical activity. The research and evaluation officer from LCHS collaborated in the state wide program									
2012 - 1E.	Cultural difference in carer strain and quality of life amongst those living and caring for a person with Alzheimer's. A comparison of Greek-born immigrant carers and Anglo-Australian carers.	Ms Evgenia Georgopoulos	LaTrobe U.	Application #: 10-105. LaTrobe University	17-Jul-12			Completed.	PhD completed ? Publication
The goal of this research was to examine why there may be differences in the way people from different cultures view their carer strain and quality of life when they care for a person with Alzheimer's. There were no participants obtained via Latrobe Community Health Service.									
2011 - 1E.	Exploring factors affecting community participation interventions for stroke survivors	Clare McHugh & Darryl Maybery	MUDRIH	CF11/2092 - 2011001174. Monash	04-Oct-11	05-Sep-11	05-Sep-16	Completed	PhD completed ? Publication
The goal of this research was to identify strategies that will enhance health interventions to address community participation needs of stroke survivors in Gippsland. A small number of staff employed at LCHS were interviewed for this project.									
2016 - 4E	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Intersex (LGBTI) issues in palliative care	Bruce Rumbold, Philomena Horsley, Prakashni Reddy	La Trobe university	La Trobe HREC HREC S16-163		Nov-16	30/06/2017	Data collection completed	
Aim: To explore the level of knowledge, and the attitudes and practices of community palliative care (CPC) service providers in Victoria, with regards to LGBTI inclusive practice and end of life care needs. All CPC service providers, paid and volunteer, are invited to participate in an on-line or paper based survey and interview									
2012 - 2E.	Young people' lives experience of Type 1 Diabetes in rural Victoria (Gippsland).	Professor Bev Taylor & Ms Ainsley James	Monash University	Cf12/1182-2012000558 MUHREC	06-Aug-12	Sep-12	06-Aug-17	PhD submitted Feb 2017	
Aim: The goal of this PhD was to explore, describe and understand what life is like for the young people with Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus and to provide health professionals with information about the impact T1DM may have on the young person. There were no participants obtained via Latrobe Community Health Service.									
2013 - 5E	The contribution of Higher Education Institutions to the Cultural Capital and health of regional people and their communities.	Prof. Jane Farmer, Samantha Clune	LaTrobe University	LaTrobe University	22-Oct-13			Thesis submitted March 2018. Project Completed	
Aim: The aim of the PhD study is to better understand the gains to the health and wellbeing outcomes of rural people brought about from hosting a regional campus of a University that teaches Health Sciences. Staff from LCHS as well as community members were interviewed for the project.									
2014 - 5e	The role of the Gippsland region palliative care consortium in building capacity in the Gippsland community for dealing with end-of-life issues.	Bruce Rumbold, Andrea Grindrod, Wendy Dagher	LaTrobe University, Bundoora	S15/42	May 2015.			1/04/2018 Phone call from Wendy Dagher -project completed Oct 2015. Report sent to GRICS, not publically available.	
Aim: To investigate how the Gippsland Region Palliative Care Consortium has influenced community capacity building for dealing with End of Life issues in Gippsland, since the advent of Victoria's Strengthening palliative care: Policy and strategic directions 2011-15, through exploring the impacts of various community focused initiatives sponsored by the GRPCC.									
2015 - 2E	Examining the institutionalisation of ethics	Soma Pillay	Federation University	Fed Uni B15-155	24-Aug-15	Oct-15	30-Nov-16	Data collected. Project on hold due to lack of funds (5.04.2018)	
Aim: to develop an understanding of ethics and ethical behaviour within the context of a public service institution. LCHS staff survey									