



PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

Ongoing triage education needs: A survey of experienced triage nurses

Researcher information

My name is Kayla Butler, and I am studying for a PhD at the University of Auckland. As a student researcher, I am under the supervision of Dr Natalie Anderson and Professor Andrew Jull.

Participation

You have been invited to participate in a research study looking at the need and content of a refresher education programme to improve practice in experienced triage nurses. All nurses undertaking triage roles and working in a New Zealand Emergency Department can participate.

Participation in this study is voluntary. Your participation involves completing a 10-15 minute online questionnaire. You may choose not to participate without consequence. You can withdraw from completing the survey; however, as the data is anonymous, we will be unable to delete your responses once you have completed the survey. Consent is implied by participating in this survey.

What is the purpose of the study?

This study aims to explore triage nurses' perspectives for a refresher triage education programme. The research will look at your opinions on the importance of triage content. The findings of this study will help inform a triage education programme. The study is a part of the researcher's requirements for completing a PhD in Nursing.

Will my information be kept confidential?

All the data collected will be anonymous. Only a research code will be associated with your data, and your information will not be personally identifiable even to the researchers. All data will be stored, maintained and disposed of according to the University of Auckland guidelines. Data will be kept securely on the University of Auckland drive with access to electronic data on a password-protected computer, backed up on the University of Auckland server and hard copies stored in a locked cupboard at the University of Auckland. Data will be held and stored for ten years before being disposed of. Only the researcher and her supervisors will have access to these files.

What will happen with the results of this study?

The findings will be used for the completion of a PhD Degree. They will also inform the development of refresher triage education. The study may also be published in an academic journal or presented at a conference. Findings from the survey will be made available in the form of an executive summary sent to CENNZ members.

At the end of the survey, you will be linked to another survey where you are able to input your email address if you wish to receive a copy of the study results. This data will be kept separate from your answers within the survey and will not be linked to your survey information. Your email address will be kept confidential.

What provisions are in place should any problems arise?

If any topics you feel are sensitive and would like to discuss with someone, don't hesitate to get in touch with Natasha Kemp at nhkemp@gmail.com.

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What are my rights?

For ethical issues, you may contact the Chair at Auckland Health Research Ethics Committee, The University of Auckland, Private Bag 92019, Auckland 114.
Email: ro-ethics@auckland.ac.nz.

Has this study been approved?

This study has been approved by the Auckland Health Research Ethics Committee on 21st April 2023 for three years. Reference Number: AH25218