

# supporting research with clear advice on consent

## 01

Requests to access tissue removed from someone during a medical, dental or surgical procedure (clinical care) for research or quality improvement projects must comply with the [Human Tissue Act](#)

## 02 research

Requests to access tissue blocks or slides for research must be made to NSWHP with

- ethics approval including participant consent or a waiver of consent.
- See Human Tissue Act s34(1)(b1) for more.

Requests to access tissue (other than blocks or slides) for research must be made to NSWHP with

- ethics approval including participant consent - a waiver of consent is not possible.
- See Human Tissue Act s21X for more.

## 02 quality improvement

Requests to access small amounts of tissue for internal quality assurance, quality control, audit or evaluation purposes must include a QI determination from a Human Research Ethics Committee.

See PD2016\_001 s2.1.4 and GL2007\_020 for more.

## 03

If you are a NSWHP employee and accessing tissue for research, apply through REGIS

If you are not a NSWHP employee apply through NSWHP Research Services Coordinators

Note: A Material Transfer Agreement / Service Agreement will be required prior to specimen release.

## 01

Requests to access data for research or management of health services must comply with the [Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002](#)

## 02 data

Requests to access data stored by NSWHP must have ethics approval or a quality improvement determination from a Human Research Ethics Committee on whether or not consent is required.  
See PD2015\_037 for more

## 03

Apply through NSWHP Research Governance Office. Note: A data application form will be provided and if approved, a Disclosure of Information put in place.