



## Perinatal Ethics – Terms of Reference

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To establish a PSANZ subcommittee of persons with keen interest in perinatal ethics from multiple disciplines. Subcommittee members must be current PSANZ members or become members of the society.

To write a memorandum to have regular meetings of the subcommittee.

The functions of the subcommittee would include those listed below:

- Raising issues of ethical concerns in perinatal screening, diagnosis and management
- Prenatal and neonatal research and writing opinion articles on ethics for publishing in appropriate peer-reviewed journals, as collaborations within the subcommittee as well as independent researchers.
- Creating web-resources in Perinatal Ethics with appropriate links and acknowledgements to works done by other researchers or institutions as permitted
- Sharing of research and writings in forums such as conferences and seminars, via posters, oral presentations or other methods.
- Contribution to educational and training opportunities in perinatal ethics, where sufficient support, planning and resources exist to do so
- Developing affiliations and networking with other similarly inclined organisations. Examples might include organisations such as the Human Genetics Society of Australasia (HGSA) and the International Society for Prenatal Diagnosis (ISPD).
- Aiding in organising speakers, workshops or seminars in appropriate forums
- Organising an annual opportunity for multi-professional collaboration and education for those with an interest in perinatal ethics via a workshop, seminar or plenary that is associated with the annual PSANZ Congress.

The group would aim to be apolitical and cognisant of the diversity of cultural and religious values existing in society.

The subcommittee members who have agreed to be on the committee:

<b>Title</b>	<b>First name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Discipline</b>
Dr	Joseph	Thomas	Maternal Fetal Medicine
Dr	Deborah	Gilmour	Neonatology
Dr	David	Kirchoffer	Bioethics
Dr	Glenn	Gardener	Maternal Fetal Medicine
Dr	Anthony	Herbert	Paediatrics Palliative Care
Dr	Ben	Auld	Paediatrics Cardiac Services
Ms	Renee	Muirhead	NiCU Clinical Nurse Consultant
Ms	Amanda	Bates	NiCU Clinical Nurse Consultant
Dr	Trisha	Prentice	Neonatology, newborn intensive care
Prof	Ainsley	Newson	Bioethics
Prof	Lynn	Gillam	Bioethics
Dr	Nikki	Tickle	Midwifery
Dr	Brooke	Firman	Neonatology

Attempt is being made to contact interstate stakeholders to join the subcommittee