

<b>CareSearch Project</b> <b>Research Studies Register: Registration Proforma</b>	<b>0056</b>
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**Study Title:** Information and Communications Technologies (ICT), eHealth literacy, individual differences in thinking dispositions and retention and academic performance in postgraduate palliative studies.

**Brief description of the study:** Online learning is becoming a much more common form of instruction in health and provides great opportunities to enable continuing professional development for health professionals. The study is a joint study by the Department of Palliative and Supportive Services and the CareSearch project.  
The research objectives of this initial study are

- To establish baseline scores for three measures (eHeals Scale, Rational Experiential Inventory, Internet Attitude Scale) for the student cohort undertaking postgraduate studies in palliative care
- To investigate whether there is a relationship between these scores, topic retention rates and academic performance.

**Study Methodology: (Please mark with an x which type of study methodology)**

	Epidemiology
	Health Services / Health Economics / Quality Improvement
X	Qualitative, Observational or Descriptive
	Mixed Method
	Systematic Review
	Intervention: RCT
	Intervention: Comparative or cohort study
	Intervention: Case series

**Project details:**

Funding source (Optional):

Has the study received ethics approval?	X	Yes		No		Not applicable
Project starting date:	January 2008					
Project completion date:	December 2008					
Multi site:		Yes	X	No		Not applicable

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**Associated publications / reports:**

**Topics (Admin only) specialist education; knowledge translation**