CareSearch Project Research Studies Register: Registration Proforma	0056

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