

# The LIME Network Program - Authorship Guidelines

## PURPOSE

Provide guidelines for authorship of research and publications developed within the scope of the LIME Network program.

## BACKGROUND

The LIME Network Program produces a number of tools, articles and resources. Many of these are developed by working groups made up of LIME Network Reference Group members, and rely on their individual expertise and input. With an increasing number of materials being produced by the LIME Network Program, agreed protocols around authorship are needed to ensure that contributions are acknowledged and that these tools are referenced appropriately.

## GUIDELINES

- The LIME Network Program will be listed as the author on all publications and resources funded and developed through the Program's working groups.
- Publications for which substantial work has been undertaken by a group of authors from a working group (for example, writing a journal paper) may name the authors and note the group as publishing 'on behalf of the LIME Network Program'. Such publications will be discussed with the LIME Network Reference Group prior to an authorship decision.
- Publications must acknowledge the LIME Network and its funders as follows:
  - *The Leaders in Indigenous Medical Education (LIME) Network is a dynamic network dedicated to ensuring the quality and effectiveness of teaching and learning of Indigenous health in medical education, as well as best practice in the recruitment and support of Indigenous medical students. The LIME Network is a program of Medical Deans Australia and New Zealand, funded by the Australian Government Department of Health.*
- Members of the relevant working group, including LIME Program team staff, will be individually acknowledged within the publication or resource, in alphabetical order, in the following form:
  - This publication/ resource was developed with the input of members of the LIME Network Program Reference Group:
    - [Name, Institution]
    - [Name, Institution]
    - [Name, Institution]
    - [Name, Institution]
- Final versions of each publication or resource, including any revisions, will be approved by the relevant working group members prior to submission or publication.
- In line with the Vancouver Protocol, as executive author of publications and resources, the LIME Network Program team will take responsibility for associated record keeping.

- Scholarly articles and publications which reference, analyse or utilise the resources of the LIME Network, should adhere to the Vancouver protocol on authorship:
  - *Authorship should be based on substantial contribution to: (a) the concept and design of the article, or acquisition of data, or analysis and interpretation of data; (b) drafting of the article or revising it critically for important intellectual content; and (c) the final approval of the version to be published.*

## Resources:

International Committee of Medical Journal Editors 1997, **Vancouver Protocol: Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals**, [http://www.research.mq.edu.au/about/research@macquarie/policies\\_procedures\\_and\\_conduct/documents/Vancouver.pdf](http://www.research.mq.edu.au/about/research@macquarie/policies_procedures_and_conduct/documents/Vancouver.pdf)

Laycock A et al. 2009, **Supporting Indigenous Researchers: A Practical Guide for Supervisors**, CRCAH, <http://www.lowitja.org.au/resources-researchers#sthash.jeGAqL7G.dpuf>

MJA Group Australia, **Medical Journal of Australia instructions for authors - Editorial policies**, [https://www.mja.com.au/journal/mja-instructions-authors-editorial-policies?0=ip\\_login\\_no\\_cache%3D2cf861756e54cbdada3faf063efd1de6](https://www.mja.com.au/journal/mja-instructions-authors-editorial-policies?0=ip_login_no_cache%3D2cf861756e54cbdada3faf063efd1de6)

Medical Deans Australia and New Zealand, **MSOD Data Access Policy**, [http://www.medicaldeans.org.au/wp-content/uploads/PO-001-MSOD-Data-Access-Policy\\_v3-0.pdf](http://www.medicaldeans.org.au/wp-content/uploads/PO-001-MSOD-Data-Access-Policy_v3-0.pdf)

Medical Deans Australia and New Zealand, **MSOD Publication Authorship**.

National Health and Medical Research Council, the Australian Research Council and Universities Australia 2007, **Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research**, Australian Government, [http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/files\\_nhmrc/publications/attachments/r39.pdf](http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/files_nhmrc/publications/attachments/r39.pdf)

National Health and Medical Research Council and Australian Vice Chancellors' Committee 1997, Joint NHMRC / AVCC Statement and Guidelines on Research Practice, **Australian Government**, <http://www.nhmrc.gov.au/guidelines/publications/r0024>