

ANTHONY NOLAN'S RESEARCH INTEGRITY POLICY 20.07.2020

INTRODUCTION

Anthony Nolan ("the Charity") is strongly committed to fulfilling the principles of <u>The Concordat To Support Research Integrity</u> (revised October 2019) ("the concordat") in creating a comprehensive framework for responsible research conduct and governance. The key commitments of the concordat apply to researchers, their employers and funding bodies alike.

The Policy also meets RCUK Policy and Guidelines on Governance of Good Research Conduct, https://www.ukri.org/files/legacy/reviews/grc/rcuk-grp-policy-and-guidelines-updated-apr-17-2-pdf/

- 1.1 This Policy is intended to be in line with the code of practice for research set out by the UK Research Integrity Office (UKRIO) which can be found in https://ukrio.org/publications/code-of-practice-for-research/
- 1.2 This Policy will be under continuous review and will be adapted on an ongoing basis in the event of changing circumstances.
- 1.3 The Charity will produce and publish an annual statement which aims to meet the requirements of the concordat and ensure transparency in relation to the Charity's commitment to embed a culture of research integrity.
- 1.4 The Policy will outline a framework to ensure that all research is conducted in accordance with good research practice. Policies referenced within the framework will be upheld by the following principles and standards that must be adhered to when undertaking research at the Charity:

1.4.1 The Principles:

Honesty in all aspects of research, including in the presentation of research goals, intentions and findings; in reporting on research methods and procedures; in gathering data; in using and acknowledging the work of other researchers; and in

1









saving the lives of people with blood cancer

conveying valid interpretations and making justifiable claims based on research findings:

Rigour, in line with prevailing disciplinary norms and standards, and in performing research and using appropriate methods; in adhering to an agreed protocol where appropriate; in drawing interpretations and conclusions from the research; and in communicating the results;

Transparency and open communication in declaring potential competing interests; in the reporting of research data collection methods; in the analysis and interpretation of data; in making research findings widely available, which includes publishing or otherwise sharing negative or null results to recognise their value as part of the research process; and in presenting the work to other researchers and to the public, where this does not conflict with commercial sensitivities and related agreements;

Care and respect for all participants in research, and for the subjects, users and beneficiaries of research, including humans, animals, the environment and cultural objects. Those engaged with research must also show care and respect for the integrity of the research record;

Accountability of funders, sponsors, employers and researchers to collectively create a research environment in which individuals and organisations are empowered and enabled to own the research process. Those engaged with research must also ensure that individuals and organisations are held to account when behaviour falls short of the standards set by the concordat.

Researchers working in the Charity must read this Policy in conjunction with the policies referenced in the sections below.



