



5th September, 2016

Dear Sir / Madam

Dr Mohammed Al-Ansari, Gastroenterologist at Ballarat Health Services, is seeking participants for a number of clinical trials for the treatment of Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis.

If you have been diagnosed with Crohn's disease or Ulcerative Colitis, then you may be eligible to participate in one of our clinical research studies.

Clinical trials are studies that help test new methods of screening, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of a particular disease as well as testing new devices and equipment. They help find better ways to improve patient health, quality of life and determine whether treatment options and interventions are both safe and effective.

If you or someone you know qualifies and agrees to participate, all study related care including doctor visits, physical exams, laboratory tests and study medication will be provided at no charge.

In order to participate you must be:

- 18 to 80 years old
- Diagnosed with Crohn's disease or Ulcerative Colitis longer than six months

Other criteria may also apply. You may wish to discuss this with your treating GP.

For a preliminary screening, please call the clinical research and trials department at Ballarat Health Services on 5320 4735.

Yours sincerely

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