To: All Members  
From: Dr Douglas Johnson – LSV Medical Advisor  
Date: 21 May 2014  
Subject: COSTAL Study  
Description: LSV Clinical Committee and Medical Advisory Panel are recruiting participants for research into the training of Lifesavers to use advanced airway devices in CPR.  
Action: Submit expressions of interest via Email

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The LSV Clinical Committee and Medical Advisory Panel are conducting research into the training of Lifesavers to use advanced airway devices in CPR.

The project may provide information about the use of advanced airway devices in CPR that may be incorporated into updated CPR guidelines in the future.

To participate in the research, you need to be over 18 years old and hold your Bronze Medallion and Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate.

The research project will be conducted at the Austin Hospital, and involve the use of the Austin Hospital’s Simulation Centre to simulate cardiac arrest in an adult patient. Participants will be given brief training in the use of several advanced airway devices and then will use them in a cardiac arrest scenario. The success of the devices will then be compared to the use of Bag Valve Mask and Pocket Mask rescue breathing. Participation in the project will require approximately 4 hours of time.

There is no payment or incentives for participating in the project. The results from the project may, in the long term, lead to better outcomes for patients in cardiac arrest.

If you would like to participate in the project, please contact the project coordinators via the COSTAL email address: costalstudy@lifesavingvictoria.com.au

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