

Building Psychosocial Capacity in Children's Research

The Luminesce Alliance [Psychosocial Enabling Platform](#) invites researchers and clinicians to a series of five (free) one-hour workshops focused on building psychosocial and equity research skills in paediatric healthcare.

Each session focuses on a different research skill, helping clinician-researchers strengthen their capacity to deliver high-quality, patient-centred research.

Thursdays 11am-12 midday	Topic	Presenters
30 July 2026	Introduction to qualitative research <i>see next page for details and to register</i>	Dr Lauren Kelada
3 Sept 2026	Co-design	Dr Sue Woofenden
1 Oct 2026	Distress Management in Research	Dr Kate Hetherington
29 October	Embedding psychosocial data collection within clinical trials	Dr Kate Hetherington
3 Dec 2026	Consumer Engagement	Jennifer Henwood

Introduction to qualitative research: What, when, why, how?

Learning objectives:

- Understand the purpose of qualitative research and when it is appropriate
- Understand different types of qualitative methodologies
- Learn strategies for conducting interviews and focus groups
- Become familiar with qualitative analysis and software
- Understand best practice for reporting qualitative research

30 July 2026 11am – 12pm Via Teams

Register here: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/4446732d-7e7d-4e8a-b554-e711b07b7c10@3ff6cfa4-e715-48db-b8e1-0867b9f9fba3>

Dr Lauren Kelada is a Senior Lecturer at UNSW Sydney and the psychosocial strategic lead of the RarePOWER group aligned with Rare Diseases NSW. Dr Kelada has extensive experience with qualitative and mixed methods design, data collection and analysis, and commonly uses qualitative methodologies to implement and evaluate healthcare and mental health interventions for people with rare conditions and their family members.

