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Title: Sharing is caring: Research management knowledge-sharing at UQ, from a University- and Faculty-level perspective

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Abstract:

Knowledge-sharing across large institutions is complex. Adding to this inherent complexity, bringing together professionals in varied research management roles to knowledge-share is challenging.

This poster presentation will explore research management knowledge-sharing at The University of Queensland, showcasing two examples: the UQ Research Administration Network (UQ RAN) and the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences (HaBS) Research Administration Community of Practice (HaBS CoP). Both groups aim to encourage cooperation with the goal of increasing collegiality, effectiveness and efficiency, and building support networks.

At a university level, UQ RAN is an inclusive environment, where 300 members involved in research management across UQ come together to work for shared success. UQ RAN encourages ideas from its members no matter what level or position they hold, and supports the sharing of best practice and independent thinking.

At a faculty level, the HaBS CoP is open to anyone who supports research and is interested in research management within the faculty. Guests and ad-hoc speakers, invited across the University, make regular contributions to the CoP sessions, breaking down silos, and encouraging a knowledge-sharing culture.

The UQ RAN and HaBS CoP are committed to developing well-rounded research administrators. Both have improved research culture at UQ, by facilitating collaboration and improving a way-of-doing to uphold best research management practices, for the benefit of the University and its researchers.