

MRV Consumer Reference Group (CRG)

Role:

- Advocates for melanoma research
- Promote awareness via support organisations, social media e.g. Facebook, Twitter and MRV website
- Diverse group – rural/regional/backgrounds/patients/carers
- Patient perspective represented on Governance Committee
- Provide support and feedback to the MRV regarding research ideas, review research proposals

Progress:

- Formation of AMCA
- Tissue is the Issue 2012
- High quality research proposal reviews
- Successful lobbying to govt for equitable access to the new treatments
- Co-investigators with a number of research studies
- Several members are involved in the wider melanoma community

The Future:

- IMPROVED patient outcomes via:
- Continued support for research and trials
- Better patient engagement with clinicians
- Well designed clinical trials to foster recruitment
- Encouraging melanoma patients to be active participants in their care



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