



Dr Melanie Jansen

Dr Melanie Jansen is a medical doctor completing advanced training in General Paediatrics and Paediatric Intensive Care Medicine. She is interested in everything to do with critical care but particularly congenital cardiac disease and trauma management. She is currently involved in research on blood coagulation in trauma. Since medical school, Melanie has had a strong interest in ethics and to pursue this, she completed a Master of Arts in Philosophy during her medical specialist training. Melanie was instrumental in developing the Centre for Children's Health Ethics and Law (CCHEL) at Children's Health Queensland. She was CCHEL's inaugural Clinical Ethics Fellow in 2015 and continues to sit on the steering committee and be a member of the response group for the Clinical Ethics Consultation Service. Melanie has also undertaken training in mediation through the Resolution Institute. She is currently travelling on a Churchill Fellowship to research ways to enrich and inform development of paediatric clinical ethics services.

In her 'spare' time she reads books, cooks, tends to multiple cats, a few chickens and her wine cellar, and tries to move as much as possible. Her notebooks are filled with medical mnemonics, physiological equations and poems. She is interested in promoting the arts and creativity in medicine, in building functioning teams in an age of hyper-specialisation, and in bringing more philosophy into the clinical setting.