SA Health Research Offices Processing Times

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Clock on days refer to the time that the application is with the Office for Research/ Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) for action. The statistics reported below only specify clock on days, and do not include the time that the application is with the research team for action. The *NHMRC Certification Handbook (2012)* recommends that HRECs aim to process new ethics submissions within **60 clock on days** and Site Specific Assessment (SSA) forms within **45 days**.

Department for Health and Wellbeing

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
DHW Ethics applications	37 clock on days	42 clock on days
DHW SSA applications	12 clock on days	13 clock on days

Central Adelaide Local Health Network (CALHN)

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
CALHN Ethics applications	47 clock on days	43 clock on days
CALHN SSA applications	13 clock on days	11 clock on days
CALHN Low and Negligible Risk applications	20 clock on days	19 clock on days

Southern Adelaide Local Health Network (SALHN)

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
SALHN Ethics applications	38 clock on days	41 clock on days
SALHN SSA applications	13 clock on days	14 clock on days
SALHN Low and Negligible Risk applications	11 clock on days	14 clock on days

Women's and Children's Health Network (WCHN)

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
WCHN Ethics applications	37 clock on days	46 clock on days
WCHN SSA applications	42 clock on days	21 clock on days
WCHN Low and Negligible Risk applications	16 clock on days	17 clock on days

Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN)

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
NALHN SSA applications	7 clock on days	8 clock on days

Regional Local Health Networks

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
Regional SSA applications	19 clock on days	9 clock on days

Drug and Alcohol Services SA (DASSA)

	Previous quarter average	Previous year average
DASSA SSA applications	1 clock on day	1 clock on day

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