

Working Groups Facilitate High Quality Research

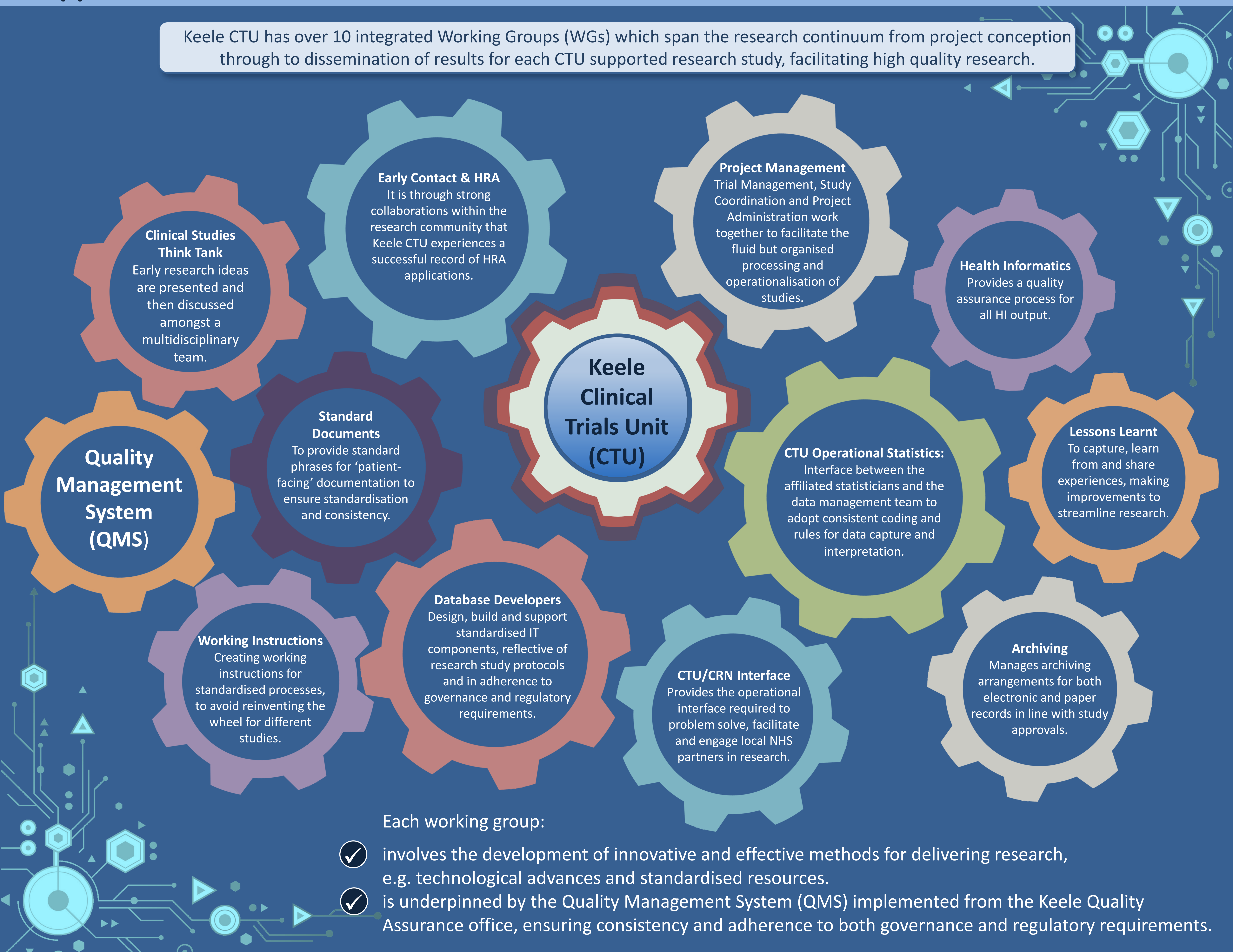
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Background:

Keele Clinical Trials Unit (CTU) is a UKCRC registered CTU, specialising in the development and delivery of epidemiological studies, feasibility and main multicentre clinical trials, and an increasing portfolio of Clinical Trials of Investigational Medicinal Products (CTIMPs). An effective project management structure which includes a range of interactive Working Groups is essential for the delivery of high quality research.

Approach:

Keele CTU has over 10 integrated Working Groups (WGs) which span the research continuum from project conception through to dissemination of results for each CTU supported research study, facilitating high quality research.



Conclusions:

- ✓ Effective working groups help to develop efficient and best practice and forge strong communication links with research teams, collaborators and research participants.
- ✓ Working groups facilitate, continuous improvement and standardisation by integrating expertise from different specialties to achieve successful research delivery.
- ✓ Keele CTU is currently supporting a portfolio of over 40 research studies, each managed efficiently and effectively to secure the delivery of studies to time and target.
- ✓ Keele CTU is increasing its portfolio of research studies whilst making strides with innovative and effective methodologies.