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Professor John Dwyer

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After completing his higher degree, Professor Dwyer was awarded a scholarship from both Yale University and the Australian College of Physicians to work for a year in the Department of Immunology at Yale University. Originally intending to stay one year he ended up staying fifteen. During his time at Yale Professor Dwyer was promoted to Professor of Medicine and Paediatrics and for seven years was the Head of the Department of Clinical Immunology at that University. His research interests have concentrated on mechanisms associated with the control of the human immune response. In 1982 he developed a Clinical Research Unit for the study of patients with AIDS at Yale

University. He returned to Australia in 1985 as Professor of Medicine at the University of New South Wales and Director of Medicine for the University's major teaching hospital Prince of Wales in Randwick.

In recent years his clinical and research work has been dominated by realities associated with the HIV epidemic. He is active as a consultant to UN AIDS and has travelled to more than 21 countries in the Asia Pacific region advising on the establishment of prevention and treatment strategies related to the HIV epidemic.

Professor Dwyer has championed in Australia resurgence of the clinician governance and is much involved in efforts to create structural reform within the Australian health care delivery system. He is a member of the NSW Department of Health's Clinical Council and Chairman of the Medical Staff Executive Council of NSW. Currently he is Clinical Dean and Chairman of the Division of Medicine at Prince of Wales Hospital.