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To be held on Tuesday 23rd May 2006, 2-4.30pm at

Society for Research into Higher Education, 76 Portland Place London W1B 1NT

"Governance and Ownership of Ethics in Research "

Speakers: Dr. **John Gibbins** is Director of Postgraduate Skills Development at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne, a member of the Executive of UKCGE, and the author of several works on theory and organisation of knowledge and contemporary value change.
Dr **Althea Allison** is Manager of the Office for Research Ethics Committees covering the Thames Valley, Hampshire and Isle of Wight areas.

The position of ethics and governance are becoming increasingly central to contemporary postgraduate training and practice. This presentation will address the reasons for this heightened profile, the tensions between governance and ethical approaches to regulation, the ownership model as a method for both reconciliation and the achievement of heightened professionalism, and how you might go about ensuring your research is ethical. The presentation will continue with discussion of NHS specific research, including concerns about the procedures for approval by Research Ethics Committees and looking also at some of the proposed changes to the Research Ethics Committee system arising out of the Warner Review.

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