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Ms Karrer is responsible for Donawa Lifescience Consulting medical device and pharmaceutical clinical study services, including client liaison, regulatory authority and ethics committee communication, and local monitor management. She has nearly 20 years' experience in the health science field, working most recently as Director, Project Management with Covance Clinical Services Ltd, where she was responsible for delivery and financial performance of international oncology trials.

After graduating from Rome University, Italy with a degree in biological sciences, Ms Karrer worked first within the Italian health service and then for seven years with the Serono Group as a research scientist, before moving to Covance as a CRA in 1999. Gaining rapid promotion through the management structure, in what is one of the world's largest drug development service companies, she was appointed Head of the Covance Italian Office and Contract Manager for alliance partners in Greece, Turkey and South Africa. She then became Director of Clinical Operations for Southern Europe, including Italy, Spain, Portugal, France, Switzerland and Israel. In this role, she was responsible for project resourcing and utilisation, target achievement and supervision of the local Clinical Operations Managers and over 100 staff.

Ms Karrer has considerable experience in project and people management in international settings, and has also gathered significant experience in clinical process improvement initiatives using 'Six Sigma' techniques.