



The Future Health Research and Innovation (FHRI) Fund Open Day 4 June 2026

Event Details

Date	4 June 2026
Venue	Town Hall, 601 Hay St, Perth
Livestream	<p>Microsoft Teams Need help? Join the livestream now</p> <p><i>Note: Livestream begins at 9.30am</i></p>
Host	Office of Medical Research and Innovation (OMRI), WA Department of Health
Event Theme	<i>RHD Spotlight Awarded – shaping the future of heart health in Western Australia</i>
Master of Ceremonies	<p>Mr John Van Der Wielen Chair, Future Health Research and Innovation (FHRI) Fund Advisory Council</p>

Event Program

8:30am	<p>Guest Arrival and Registration <i>Networking Breakfast</i></p>
9:30am	<p>Introduction Mr John Van Der Wielen Chair, Future Health Research and Innovation (FHRI) Fund Advisory Council</p> <p>Welcome to Country James Webb</p> <p>WA Rheumatic Heart Disease Strategic Framework Dr Clare Huppatz Chief Health Officer, WA Department of Health</p> <p>RHD Spotlight Awarded The Honourable Stephen Dawson MLC Minister for Regional Development, Ports, Science and Innovation, Medical Research, Kimberley</p> <p>Spotlight recipient acceptance</p>



	<p>Future Spotlights Dr Shirley Bowen Director General, WA Department of Health</p> <p>FHRI Fund Advisory Council Chair Address Mr John Van Der Wielen Chair, FHRI Fund Advisory Council</p> <p>From Innovation to Commercial Success – the Bridgewest Ventures perspective Mr Saum Vahdat Chief Executive Officer, Bridgewest Ventures</p> <p>Launch of FHRI Fund Programs & Initiatives Dr Stacey Waters Executive Director, Research and Innovation at the Office of Medical Research and Innovation, Department of Health</p> <p>Closing Remarks Mr John Van Der Wielen Chair, FHRI Fund Advisory Council</p>
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