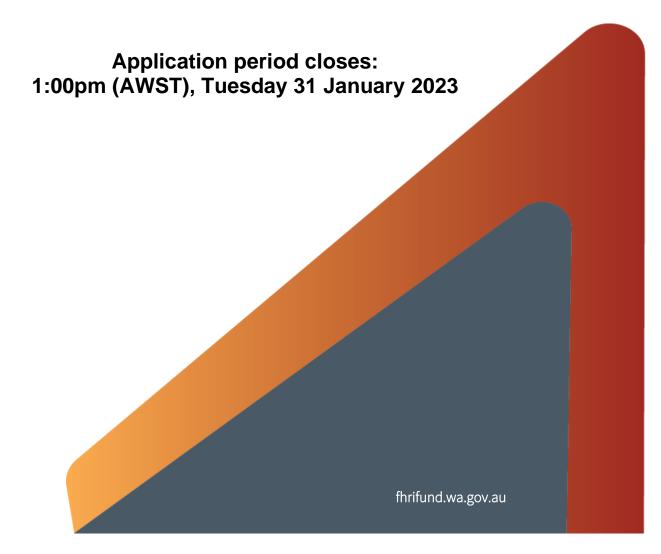


Clinician Researcher Training Program 2022-23

Guidelines and Conditions



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1. Introduction

The Clinician Researcher Training (CRT) Program is a Program of the Western Australian (WA) Future Health Research and Innovation (FHRI) Fund.

The FHRI Fund provides a secure source of funding to drive health and medical research, innovation and commercialisation and through these activities, improve the health and prosperity of all Western Australians. It also provides an opportunity to diversify the economy, create jobs, improve the sustainability of the health system and position WA as a leader in research and innovation.

This Program contributes to the FHRI Fund <u>Priority Goal</u>: Support the development of early-and mid-career researchers, helping them to achieve an independent and self-sustaining career.

The expected outcomes are in alignment with the following objectives of the <u>Western</u> <u>Australian Future Health Research and Innovation Fund Act 2012</u>:

- Improving the financial sustainability of Western Australia's health system.
- Improving the health and wellbeing of Western Australians.
- Advancing Western Australia to being, or maintaining Western Australia's position as, a national or international leader in research and innovation activities.

The Program is administered by the Office of Medical Research and Innovation (OMRI), WA Department of Health (Department of Health). Queries may be directed to DOH.OMRI@health.wa.gov.au.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to encourage and support clinicians (pre-consultant (medical)¹, allied health² and nursing and midwifery professionals) employed by eligible WA Health Service Providers (HSPs) and public-private partnership providers (PPPPs) to undertake formal research training.

The CRT Program is directed towards activities that fall within the <u>health and medical</u> <u>research stream</u> of the FHRI Fund.

The aims of the CRT Program are to:

- embed a vibrant research culture within the WA health system
- improve attraction and retention of high-quality clinicians in the WA health system
- improve patient care and health outcomes in WA.

The objectives of the CRT Program are to:

- build the clinician researcher workforce in WA
- improve competitive grant funding outcomes for WA researchers
- improve translation and implementation of health and medical research.

3. Program description

Clinician researchers are well placed to identify issues and research opportunities related to patients and health care delivery, and to promote the translation of findings. Recognising

¹ Pre-consultant (medical) refers to junior doctors or 'doctors in training' as per the AMA Industrial Agreement 2022

² Allied Health includes all disciplines that fall under this <u>category</u>

this, the CRT Program is designed to provide scholarships to clinicians to undertake a higher degree by research (HDR) at a WA university.

A maximum of 26 HDR projects will be funded through the CRT Program (across 6 public HSPs and 2 PPPPs).

HDR Projects may be undertaken within 2 possible training streams:

- Candidates in the PhD stream are expected to finish within 3 years at a full-time load and within 6 years at 0.5 FTE.
- Candidates in the Masters stream are expected to finish within 2 years at a full-time load and within 4 years at 0.5 FTE.

Combinations of 1 FTE and 0.5 FTE over the HDR duration may be negotiated with the host university and HSP/PPPP.

Following launch of the CRT Program, the application process will consist of the following:

A. Proposed projects submitted to HSPs/PPPs

HSP/PPP researchers must work collaboratively with a university registered supervisor to develop the HDR project in accordance with the relevant university's regulations for categories of supervision. Each HDR project requires a principal supervisor employed by the university and a co-supervisor from the HSP/PPP. Proposed projects must align with the strategic direction and health priorities of the relevant HSP/PPPP and aim to advance clinical practice within the relevant field. Proposed projects must be submitted to the HSP/PPPP on the CRT HDR Project Proposal Form. Where a project has been developed by an existing HDR student, a Candidate Details Form must also submitted to the HSP/PPPP with the HDR Project Proposal Form. The Candidate Details Form must include certification from the relevant university that there are no IP claims to the project from anyone other than the candidate and that a due selection process was followed by the university in accordance with their terms and conditions.

B. HSPs/PPPs submit applications to OMRI

Each HSP/PPP will make the final determination on which 3 projects³ are approved. Approved HDR project proposals must then be attached to the CRT Application Form and submitted to OMRI by an eligible HSP/PPPP and for each health and medical profession must:

- provide a description of the proposed HDR project
- demonstrate alignment of the project with the HSP/PPP strategic and health priorities
- demonstrate how the proposed HDR project aims to advance clinical practice in the relevant field
- demonstrate suitability of supervisory team for the project
- demonstrate consumer involvement in design and implementation of the project
- provide Candidate Details Form where project is developed by an existing HDR student
- be approved by the HSP/PPPP and endorsed by the host university.

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³ One project for each of the health and medical professional areas (pre-consultant (medical), allied health and nursing and midwifery). WA Country Health Service is eligible for an additional two projects from any profession.

C. OMRI authorises recruitment of candidates for HDR projects

Following OMRI authorisation, selection of appropriate candidates and their HDR degree pathway will be via a competitive selection process that will be undertaken collaboratively by the host university and relevant HSP/PPPP.

Where a selected project has been developed by an existing HDR student the existing student associated with the HDR project would be the nominated candidate for the CRT scholarship.

D. Selection reports submitted to OMRI and Grant Funding Agreements executed

Following finalisation of the recruitment process and selection of candidates, a selection report outlining the selection process and candidate details including clinical profession, salary details, ORCID iD, HDR training stream and proposed start date, must be submitted to OMRI by the administering institution (host university). Grant Funding Agreements will then be executed with the administering institution. HDR projects must commence within one year of award.

4. Eligibility

The following public HSPs are eligible to submit 3 HDR projects, one for each of the health and medical professional areas (pre-consultant (medical), allied health and nursing and midwifery):

- Child and Adolescent Health Service
- East Metropolitan Health Service
- North Metropolitan Health Service
- PathWest Laboratory Medicine WA
- South Metropolitan Health Service.

WA Country Health Service is eligible to submit 5 HDR projects, one for each of the health and medical professional areas (pre-consultant (medical), allied health and nursing and midwifery) and an additional 2 HDR projects from any profession.

The following 2 PPPP are eligible to submit 3 HDR projects, one for each of the health and medical professional areas (pre-consultant (medical), allied health and nursing and midwifery):

- Ramsey Health Care (covering Joondalup Health Campus and Peel Health Campus)
- St John of God (Midland Public Hospital).

There is no limit on the number of projects which may be supported by a WA university across HSPs/PPPs.

The administering institution for the grant funding agreement must be the host university. Applications must be submitted by HSPs/PPPs in accordance with Section 8 Application Instructions.

OMRI reserves the right to request further information and make final decisions regarding eligibility.

For information on eligibility of potential HDR candidates, see Section 6 (Program conditions).

5. Program funding

The CRT Program will provide scholarships for HDR candidates to undertake clinically focussed research projects within the WA health system. Successful candidates choosing to undertake a part-time HDR must have approval to be released from clinical duties (if applicable) for the required FTE to undertake the HDR at 0.5 FTE (up to 4 years for Masters or up to 6 years for PhD).

Successful candidates undertaking the HDR project full-time will be paid the combined FHRI Fund/host university stipend aligned to their profession as set out below.

Successful candidates undertaking the HDR project part-time will continue to be paid up to 50% from the employing HSP/PPPP and a combined FHRI Fund/host university stipend aligned to their profession as set out below.

Contribution (scholarship)	Pre-consultant (medical) Masters	Pre-consultant (medical) PhD	Allied Health/Nursing and Midwifery Masters	Allied Health/Nursing and Midwifery PhD
Host university (in-kind student fee offset)	\$30,000 per annum full-time equivalent	\$30,000 per annum full-time equivalent	\$30,000 per annum full-time equivalent	\$30,000 per annum full-time equivalent
Host university (stipend)	\$60,000 total over 2 to 4 years	\$150,000 total over 3 to 6 years	\$60,000 total over 2 to 4 years	\$90,000 total over 3 to 6 years
FHRI Fund CRT (stipend)	\$190,000 total over 2 to 4 years, inclusive of \$40,000 project costs	\$225,000 total over 3 to 6 years, inclusive of \$60,000 project costs	\$150,000 total over 2 to 4 years, inclusive of \$40,000 project costs	\$225,000 total over 3 to 6 years, inclusive of \$60,000 project costs
Total stipend	\$250,000 total over 2 to 4 years	\$375,000 total over 3 to 6 years	\$210,000 total over 2 to 4 years	\$315,000 total over 3 to 6 years

^{*} Full time scholarships will be paid the total stipend over a maximum period of 2 years (if Masters) or 3 years (if PhD); and part-time scholarships will be the total stipend over a maximum period of 4 years (if Masters) or 6 years (if PhD).

HSPs/PPPs may also choose to partner with a Research Foundation to support selected degree(s) from either stream, with the FHRI Fund contribution then being shared equally between the Research Foundation and the FHRI Fund. Co-naming rights for the co-funded degrees will be assigned to the participating Research Foundation. Similarly, co-naming rights may be assigned to a philanthropic donor providing stipend via a university.

Any unallocated FHRI Funds will form a pool which HDR students will be invited to apply for, to support capacity building activities such as national/international conference attendance, open access publication fees, foreign collaborators "bench fees" etc.

The final amount of funding awarded will be subject to successful recruitment of candidates and their associated profession, salary level and HDR training stream.

The Department of Health will determine and approve the awarding of grants in accordance with the Department of Health's financial and procurement processes and delegation authorities.

The Department of Health will not underwrite any recurrent or capital costs beyond the funding awarded through this Program.

Funding is offered subject to FHRI Fund budget availability, which could be varied in the event of unforeseen circumstances.

OMRI reserves the right to negotiate funding rates and the timing of the funding awarded on a case-by-case basis.

6. Program conditions

HDR project eligibility

HDR projects must:

- demonstrate alignment of the project with HSP/PPP strategic and health priorities
- demonstrate how the proposed HDR project aims to advance clinical practice in the relevant field
- demonstrate suitability of the supervisory team for the project
- demonstrate consumer involvement in design and implementation of the project (refer section 9)
- be approved by the HSP/PPPP and be endorsed by the host university.

Candidate Recruitment

Where HSPs/PPPs select a project that has been developed by an existing HDR student, the associated student would be the nominated candidate for the CRT scholarship.

In all other cases, selection of appropriate candidates and their HDR pathway will be via a competitive selection process that will be undertaken by the respective university in collaboration with the relevant HSP/PPPP.

Candidates will be recruited to projects in their area of speciality training or clinical work, allowing for extensive synergies between clinical and research activities.

Both training streams will operate on the principle of diversity driving better outcomes for all. Candidates will be ranked on merit and then for equally ranked candidates, recruitment decisions will incorporate consideration of equity and diversity. Relative to opportunity will be considered for all applications.

The following high-level selection principles are applicable to all HDR projects, noting that additional selection criteria will be determined by the relevant HDR supervisory team in line with HDR project requirements:

- Appropriate educational/research/career background within the field of the HDR project including technical skills and research-related knowledge.
- Demonstrated commitment and expertise for a clinical career.
- Demonstrated commitment, expertise and motivation for a clinical research career.
- Demonstrated commitment to and suitability for the HDR Project.
- Appropriate organisational skills and personal attributes.
- After assessment of merit, consideration of capacity to contribute diversity to the clinical research environment.

Following selection of candidates, a selection report outlining the selection process used and candidate details including clinical profession, salary details, ORCID iD, HDR training stream and proposed start date, must be submitted to OMRI.

Candidate Eligibility

All successful candidates must:

- be employed an eligible HSP/PPPP at time of application
- meet the host university's admission requirements for either the PhD or Masters HDR streams, including prior research experience
- be able to commence the scholarship within one year of award.

International candidates are eligible to apply but should contact the potential host university and HSP/PPPP to determine if their application can be supported within relevant university international scholarship caps and eligibility and visa limitations.

Existing PhD or Masters students must not already be in receipt of a scholarship or fellowship and must be within the first 12 months of their candidature.

In addition, successful candidates undertaking the HDR project part-time must:

- during the period of the part-time scholarship, be employed by the relevant HSP/PPP to undertake clinical duties at up to 0.5 FTE. Clinical duties are activities directly related to individual patient care, as distinguished from administrative, research or academic activities
- be able to be released from clinical duties for the period of the part-time scholarship with the post adequately backfilled (if applicable).

HDR conditions

- HDR candidates in either training stream are strongly encouraged to publish their work and/or complete their degree by compilation (i.e. publication).
- Candidates must be registered for and use an ORCID iD when submitting grant applications and publications.
- Candidates will undertake research in their area of speciality training or clinical work, allowing for extensive synergies between clinical and research activities.
- The principal supervisor of HDR candidates must be a suitably qualified university employee.
- Candidates must agree to abide exclusively with the host university's policies and procedures with respect to all aspects of their HDR program.
- PhD candidates will be expected to apply for a FHRI Fund/Raine Medical Research Foundation Clinician Research Fellowship during their candidature.
- In addition to examination obligations, successful candidates will deliver oral and written presentations on the outcomes of their studies to a range of stakeholders as requested. At a minimum these will include:
 - o FHRI Fund events
 - An approved medical research society's annual meeting e.g. ASMR or annual symposium of the Research Foundation where applicable
 - Discipline specific presentations as required by the respective HSP/PPPP.
- If a candidate completes an HDR project in a reduced timeframe, there will be a requirement for the administering institution to return the unused FHRI Fund scholarship contribution.

Change of candidate employment

- If a candidate progresses to a higher position/salary level (excluding increments), the CRT scholarship will remain the same, however candidates are permitted to seek additional scholarship/stipend funding from other sources to meet the increased salary level.
- Clinicians regularly move employment from one HSP/PPPP to another within WA.
 The approval for part-time candidates to continue clinical duties and maintain the existing HDR project must be negotiated by the candidate as part of that move. The

- part-time appointment contract and payment provisions by the HSP/PPP would transition to the new HSP/PPPP (for the clinical duties).
- If a part-time HDR candidate moves from one HSP/PPPP or hospital to another, the HSPs/PPPs (and Research Foundation if applicable) will work together and continue to support the original planned HDR project and supervisory team. Thus, the research remains the same, affiliated with the original HSP/PPPP (and Research Foundation if applicable) and the relevant parties will continue to pay that student's stipend.

7. External Support

- An external mentoring program will be coordinated by the WA Health Translation Network (WAHTN) and supported by the WACHS – Curtin University Research and Innovation Alliance, to maximise student engagement and completion and to build a community of practice for all students in the Program.
- Candidates will be provided with access and support to undertake online research
 education and training across a range of courses focused on introductory research
 skills and knowledge, via the WAHTN RETProgram. This includes courses such as
 Good Clinical Practice (GCP), an Introduction to Health Economics, a Guide to
 Critical Appraisal, an Introduction to Health Research and the Essentials of Writing
 a Research Protocol.
- Supervisory teams and HDR candidates can access support from the WAHTN Consumer and Community Involvement (CCI) program regarding involving consumers and community in HDR projects.

8. Application instructions

The instructions below must be followed when submitting proposed HDR projects:

- The Application Form available from the FHRI Fund website must be utilised.
- The Application must be completed in Arial font 11 point or larger.
- Applications must be submitted through the HSP/PPP Research Office (or equivalent).
- Electronic signatures are acceptable. The onus is on the applicant to ensure approval to use an electronic signature has been obtained.
- The application is to be emailed to <u>DOH.OMRI@health.wa.gov.au</u> by the HSP/PPP as a **single** Adobe Acrobat PDF or Microsoft Word file, not exceeding 2MBs, including attachments. The application and email subject line should be titled as follows:

Health Service Provider/PPP Provider – Name of program acronym/abbreviation

e.g. CAHS - CRT Program

 Applications must be complete, include requested certifications and submitted by the closing date/time.

Acknowledgment of receipt of application will be provided via email to the HSP/PPP within 5 working days of the closing date.

Queries regarding the application process should be directed by email to DOH.OMRI@health.wa.gov.au.

9. Consumer involvement

In line with the NHMRC definition, consumers are people who have lived experience of a health issue. They include patients, their friends, families, carers and members of the general public. Consumers can also be people who represent the views and interests of a consumer organisation, a community or a wider constituency.

There is increasing recognition of the benefits of involving consumers in research and innovation. Effective consumer involvement can ensure research and innovation is relevant to the WA community and improves translation into policy and practice.

Applicants should engage with health consumers during the development of funding applications and embed them in the proposed activity by including them in the team where appropriate and providing a detailed description of their role and contribution.

Consumer involvement should incorporate:

- Clearly defined relationships with health consumers or community groups who have 'lived experience' of the issue the activity addresses.
- Demonstrated understanding of the benefits derived from involving people with a lived experience.
- Inclusion of consumers in the activity where appropriate.
- Plans to involve consumers in the activity throughout the delivery timeline.
- Budget strategy with funds allocated to support, implement and acknowledge consumer involvement (e.g. stakeholder training opportunities, honoraria and payments, additional time to support involvement activities, administration support and consultations and events associated with involvement activities).

Guidance on consumer involvement can be found at the <u>Consumer and Community Involvement Program</u> website and the <u>NHMRC Statement on Consumer and Community Involvement in Health and Medical Research 2016.</u>

10. Contractual arrangements

Grant Funding Agreement

As set out in Section 3 Program description, following finalisation of the recruitment process and selection of candidates, Grant Funding Agreements will then be executed with the administering institution (host university).

Grants are offered in accordance with the Department of Health Grant Funding Agreement (and its Terms and Conditions) which is a legal agreement between the Department of Health and the administering institution.

The Department of Health reserves the right to withdraw an offer of award to an administering institution if the Grant Funding Agreement and/or Grant Funding Agreement Terms and Conditions, cannot be agreed between the parties.

Insurance

The administering institution will be required to demonstrate appropriate levels of insurance as a condition of the Grant Funding Agreement.

Note that recipients who require site governance approval will also be required to demonstrate appropriate levels of insurance during this process, which may vary depending on the site.

Intellectual property

Intellectual Property (IP) that arises out of the activity will vest with the administering institution. However, consideration will be given to the provisions of the *Western Australian Government Intellectual Property Policy 2015* that IP rights should be allocated to optimise the economic, social or environmental benefits for WA from the use, commercialisation and disposal of the IP.

The administering institution must ensure that appropriate agreements are in place with the team members and participating entities. This includes relevant permissions to use third-party IP required to deliver the activity and have Freedom to Operate for the activity. When a team includes a member(s) from the WA public health system as a participant in the activity (i.e. is not the administering institution), the IP agreement must be authorised at an appropriate level by the relevant WA public health system entity.

Any questions regarding such IP matters should, in the first instance, be directed to OMRI (DOH.OMRI@health.wa.gov.au).

Requests for variation

Requests for variations to the Grant Funding Agreement such as activity, scope, timing and duration, administering institution, candidate employment, must be directed to OMRI. Approval of the variation will be at the discretion of the Department of Health and require endorsement by the administering institution. If variations are not approved this could result in termination of the grant with associated funding reverting to, or being recoverable by, the Department of Health, where for example eligibility or viability of the activity is affected. Variation requests must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the end of the Agreement.

11. Funding conditions

Payment instalments

Funding will be provided in instalments to the administering institution as follows:

- The first instalment will be subject to execution of a Grant Funding Agreement.
- Subsequent annual instalments will be subject to satisfactory progress being achieved in accordance with university policy and procedures for the relevant HDR stream, demonstrated in annual Progress Reports.

The administering institution is responsible for administering the funds, including the appropriate release of the funds for the candidate's CRT scholarship payment in alignment with the university stipend contribution.

Seeking alternative funding sources

PhD candidates will be expected to apply for a FHRI Fund/Raine Medical Foundation Clinician Research Fellowship towards the end of their candidature, with the expectation that the resultant salary component from any grant awarded would partially offset partner contributions.

Candidates are permitted, and encouraged, to seek additional sources of funding for the HDR project, with the provision that for the duration of the scholarship, the HDR candidate must not be in receipt of more than 1.0 FTE equivalent salary.

Partial payment or suspension of funds

The Department of Health reserves the right to:

 provide funding instalments in parts, based on milestone achievement and risk assessment of future milestones • suspend payment of funding instalments or part instalments where activity viability has become uncertain.

Termination of funds

Funds shall revert to, or be recoverable by, the Department of Health in instances where:

- eligibility requirements are no longer met, unless a request for variation to address this is approved by OMRI
- the activity is terminated by OMRI as a result of insufficient progress being made at the time of Progress Reports or any interim Progress Report, or it has been otherwise determined by either the funding recipient or OMRI that the activity is no longer viable
- funds are used for purposes other than those for which they were awarded
- funds were spent on activities that require ethics and/or governance approvals and such approvals were not obtained before undertaking the activities
- funds are not fully expended at the conclusion of the activity (including any extensions approved by OMRI)
- the recipient is found to have provided misleading or fraudulent information.

12. Approvals

Research ethics and research governance

The administering institution, and any participating entity, will be responsible for obtaining any research ethics and governance approvals that might be required for undertaking funded activities, before those activities are commenced.

Research ethics approvals must be obtained from appropriate ethics committees (human and/or animal). Research governance authorisation (also known as site specific authorisation) must be obtained from each relevant institution/site conducting the project or providing access to data, participants or tissue samples.

For information on research ethics and governance submission requirements for the WA public health system please refer to the following websites: Research Ethics; Research Governance; Multi-centre Research.

Use of data collections

A project that requires access to WA public health system data collections requires review and approval for this access in accordance with the <u>Health Services Act 2016</u> and the <u>Health Services (Information) Regulations 2017</u>. In addition to research ethics and governance approval, accessing these data may include feasibility assessment and approval for data release. Preliminary cost estimates should be considered when developing the proposal and the time estimate incorporated into the successful candidates' research plan.

If the use of Department of Health data collections is proposed please review the <u>Research Data Services website</u> and contact the <u>Research Data Services Team</u>.

For approved HDR projects, we recommend you immediately begin the request and approval process.

13. Reporting

The administering institution is responsible for meeting reporting requirements over the duration of the activity and at its conclusion.

All reports are to be completed on template forms agreed by OMRI.

Progress Reports

Candidates will be required to meet established university milestones for the relevant HDR training stream in line with university policy and procedures and an annual progress report confirming that the student is making satisfactory progress against milestones must be provided to OMRI with any relevant reports or publications attached.

OMRI reserves the right to request additional progress activity reports at any point.

OMRI reserves the right to suspend or withdraw funding where insufficient progress has been made.

Final Report

A final report confirming completion of the activity and any outcomes is to be submitted to OMRI at the conclusion of the activity, with any relevant reports or publications attached. Failure to submit the final report at this time may render the HDR candidate and supervisory team ineligible for further funding from the FHRI Fund and OMRI until the Final Report is received.

Financial Acquittal Statement

A financial acquittal statement outlining the expenditure of funds must be submitted to OMRI at the conclusion of the activity. Acquittal statements must be certified by an authorised finance officer (or equivalent) of the administering institution.

OMRI reserves the right to request interim acquittal statements at any stage during the activity.

Any unexpended funds must be returned to the Department of Health. Any overexpenditure is the responsibility of the administering institution and no claim may be made against the Department of Health.

Community Stakeholder Brief

In order to provide feedback to stakeholders, a one-page *Community Stakeholder Brief* which includes an outline of activity, its outcomes, and next steps is to be completed by the HDR candidate and provided to all participating consumer groups (including Aboriginal communities) and a copy submitted to OMRI, at the conclusion of the activity.

14. Publicising, acknowledgements and publications

The Minister for Medical Research and/or the Department of Health will publicly announce recipients, including the title of the activity. All other parties must withhold announcement/media coverage until after this has occurred. The embargo on publicity will stand until OMRI advises it has been lifted.

Acknowledgement of FHRI Fund scholarship support must be made in publications, conference presentations, public discussion, press statements etc. The preferred citation is: "This activity is/has been supported by a Western Australian Future Health Research and Innovation Fund scholarship," followed by the Grant ID. Where co-funding applies and shared naming rights are agreed then the appropriate citation will be negotiated.

Funding recipients must upload to medRxiv or bioRxiv any draft publication or report resulting from the funded activity prior to submission to a peer-reviewed journal and notify OMRI of the medRxiv or bioRxiv DOI. If the paper is peer-reviewed and published, the

funding recipient must notify OMRI of the publication DOI. The corresponding author's ORCiD should also be notified to OMRI.

In order to maximise knowledge exchange, funding recipients are asked to comply with the NHMRC's 'Publication and dissemination of research: a guide supporting the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research', which can be downloaded from the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research page.

15. Complaints

Applicants who feel that their interests have been adversely affected by an action taken by OMRI in administering the Program may lodge a complaint. Complaints can only be considered when they refer to the administrative process and not to the funding decision. Complaints must be submitted via email (marked Confidential) to: Deputy Director General (OfficeoftheDDG@health.wa.gov.au).

16. Confidentiality

Plain language summaries, project titles and funding applicant/recipient statements provided on applications or reports may be used for publicity purposes as stated on the relevant templates.

All other information provided in applications and reports will be maintained confidentially by OMRI. If requests are received by OMRI to make public any aspect of the activity, other than the aspects listed above, the authorisation of the administering institution will be sought.

Applicants are advised that the Department of Health is subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1992 (WA)*. This provides a general right of access to records held by State Government agencies. In addition, information pertaining to the receipt of State Government financial assistance may be tabled in the Parliament of Western Australia.

17. Evaluation

OMRI undertakes evaluations of Funding Programs, which will include unsuccessful applications. All parties included in the application are required to contribute to the evaluation.



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