

MSH - Research Support Scheme

2019 Funding Guidelines

Novice Researcher - Small Grants - \$25,000

Innovation (Seed) – Small Grants \$25,000

Early Career - Project Grants \$75,000

Project Grants \$100,000

Program Grants \$250,000

Small Grant - Trauma & Disaster Management \$25,000

Project Grant - Trauma & Disaster Management \$75,000

Funding Guidelines and Application Forms available at:

<http://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/rss>

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Metro South Health
Study, Education and Research Trust Account

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1. CONTEXT

Metro South Health Research Support Scheme has consistently supported high quality research since it was established in 2012. The Research Support Scheme was initially formed by consolidation of research funding from the PAH Private Practice Trust Fund and the PA Research Foundation. Following the establishment of the Metro South Hospital and Health Service in 2012, as well as the Metro South Health Study, Education and Research Trust Account (SERTA) in 2014, the Research Support Scheme was broadened to include all Metro South Health facilities and services, as well as partner institutions. The Scheme is administered by the Centres for Health Research. The Metro South Health Research Support Scheme aligns with the Queensland Government objectives for the community and priorities for health service delivery, as well as Metro South Strategic Plan.

1.1 QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT OBJECTIVES FOR THE COMMUNITY

- creating jobs and a diverse economy
- delivering quality frontline services
- protecting the environment and
- building safe, caring and connected communities

1.2 QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT PRIORITIES FOR HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY

- ensuring safe, productive and fair workplaces
- achieving better education and training outcomes
- strengthening our public health system
- providing responsive and integrated government services
- supporting disadvantaged Queenslanders

1.3 METRO SOUTH HEALTH STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS

- Focus Area 1 - Clinical excellence and better health care solutions for patients through redesign and improvement, efficiency and quality
- Focus Area 2 - Technology that supports best practice, next generation care
- Focus Area 3 - Health system integration

2. OBJECTIVES

The Metro South Health - Research Support Scheme (MSH-RSS) aims to reward excellence in research that translates research discoveries into health and medical outcomes. The Scheme's objectives are:

2.1 RESEARCH TRANSLATION

Support the translation of the highest quality research evidence into health care policy and clinical practice.

2.2 RESEARCH INNOVATION

Support the development of the highest quality new knowledge in health research within Metro South Health and partners.

2.3 RESEARCH CAPACITY BUILDING AND COLLABORATION

Maintain and build the highest quality research capacity and collaborations within Metro South Health and partners:

- 2.3.1 Support the development of cross-disciplinary and multi-site research collaborations within Metro South Health
- 2.3.2 Support the development of inter-institutional collaborations with Metro South Health academic partners based on Metro South Health campuses [eg: Griffith University; Queensland University of Technology (QUT) Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation (IHBI); The University of Queensland Faculty of Medicine (UQ) which includes the School of Clinical Medicine of which Southside is a Clinical Unit, and research institutes such as the University of Queensland Diamantina Institute (UQDI); Centre for Health Services Research and The University of Queensland School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work]
- 2.3.3 Separate funding streams for the highest quality Metro South Novice and Early Career researchers so that they establish themselves as independent, self-directed researchers, as well as Seed, Project and Program funding for established researchers

3. FUNDING BODIES

The Research Support Scheme is supported by **three (3)** funding bodies:

- **Metro South Health Study, Education, and Research Trust Account (SERTA)**
- **Princess Alexandra Hospital (PAH) Division of Surgery Trauma Research Fund** as agreed with the National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre (**NCCTRC**)
- **PA Research Foundation** (the exact Application process and contribution is to be advised separately)

- 3.2 The award of research funds is governed by the regulations associated with each funding body that Decide the type and number of grants they support and the level of funding to be provided.

4. ADMINISTRATION OF THE MSH – RESEARCH SUPPORT SCHEME

The Research Support Scheme is administered by the MSH Centres for Health Research, in accordance with Metro South Health Research Management policy and procedures, which may be accessed at:

<https://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/research/about-us/policies-and-procedures>

5. OVERVIEW OF 2019 MSH RSS GRANT CATEGORIES

These Funding Guidelines provide information in relation to the 2019 Research Support Scheme available for SERTA funded Grants and Trauma and Disaster Management Grants. (Note: Following consultation it was decided that SERTA funded Novice and Early Career researchers will be supported by targeted project grants for the first time in the 2019 Research Support Scheme. These new grant categories replace previous postgraduate scholarship and research clinical fellowship categories, which will not be offered in 2019). A separate category for Health Systems and Health Economics grants is not included this year. Applicants wishing to apply for such funding are invited to apply through any one of the offered grant categories.

5.1 SERTA GRANTS

SERTA grants are required to demonstrate cross-disciplinary collaboration (E.g. across medical, allied health, nursing departments and basic/clinical research) that will strengthen collaborative research across Metro South Health sites and on the PAH campus. There must be potential for the research to be translated into improved health outcomes.

- 5.1.1 **Novice Researcher Small Grants** provide \$25,000 over two years of funding for research projects that have the potential to build capacity. Eligibility is restricted to MSH researchers who have not previously been a Principal Investigator (PI) on a successful grant
- 5.1.2 **Innovation (Seed) Small Grants** provide \$25,000 over two years for projects that are genuinely new work and are not currently or previously funded from any source. Eligibility is open to all MSH researchers
- 5.1.3 **Project Grants** provide support for defined projects that demonstrate potential for the research to be translated into improved health outcomes and/or result in future NHMRC grants. Research proposals demonstrating multi-centre collaborations within MSH will be highly regarded. Application may include Health System and Health Implementation Sciences Projects. \$75,000 is offered specifically for early career researchers and a \$100,000 grant is open to all MSH researchers
- 5.1.4 **Program Grants** support a program of research work over a 3 year period. \$250,000 is offered and the budget must include people and project activities, and must include a research higher degree student or novice/ early career researcher as CI along with part time salary

5.2 TRAUMA AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT GRANTS

Trauma and Disaster Management grants are provided through the Department of Surgery, PAH in collaboration with The National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre (NCCTRC).

- 5.2.1 **Small Trauma Grants** provide \$25,000 over two years of seed funding for research projects that have the potential to increase the evidence base of trauma clinical practice
- 5.2.2 **Project Grants** provide \$75,000 over two years to support research in trauma and disaster management with the following aims:
 - i. Increase the evidence base of trauma clinical practice
 - ii. Develop research collaborations between Queensland Hospitals and Health Services and Northern Territory Health
 - iii. Improve trauma patient outcomes through research

6. APPLICATION PROCESS

6.1 APPLICATION FORM AVAILABILITY

Applications for 2019 MSH Research Support Grants must be prepared using the supplied application form (available for download) at: <http://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/rss>

6.2 APPLICATION TIMEFRAME

The 2019 MSH Research Support Scheme will open to receive applications at 5pm Monday June 26, 2018 and will close at 5pm on Monday 20 August, 2018

6.3 APPLICATION FILE REQUIREMENTS & SUBMISSION DETAILS

6.3.1 Files should be named using the following convention:

Applicant Surname_2019 Funding Type
E.g: Smith_2019 Novice

6.3.2 Signatures

- i. The Applicant is required to sign the application on behalf of the research team.
- ii. Digital signatures (electronic or scanned) will be accepted.
- iii. The Head of Department is required to sign the application
Please allow sufficient time to gain the HOD signature.

6.3.3 Submission of Application

- i. A signed copy of the application to be submitted as a PDF,
- ii. The application must also be submitted in Word format (signatures not required)
- iii. **Applications must be submitted electronically to**

THE CENTRES FOR HEALTH RESEARCH

CHR-RSS@health.qld.gov.au

NO LATER THAN 5.00PM - MONDAY 20 AUGUST, 2018

6.4 APPLICATION FORM GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.4.1 Applicants seeking to participate in the Research Support Scheme must comply with these Funding Guidelines, instructions on the Application Forms, and with Metro South Health policies and procedures located at: <http://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/rss> and <https://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/research/about-us/policies-and-procedures>
- 6.4.2 Applicants must be the Principal Investigator.
- 6.4.3 Applicants may apply for more than one category of funding.
However, applications must not be for the same project (identified through similar aims and/or objectives). Identical research proposals submitted to multiple categories of funding may be deemed ineligible.
- 6.4.4 A separate application is required for each submission.
- 6.4.5 The Research Committee actively discourages the practice of experienced researchers making multiple applications in the names of dependent researchers.
- 6.4.6 Research teams may contain up to four (4) Co-Investigators and two (2) Associate Investigators.
- 6.4.7 When preparing the research proposal, Applicants must adhere to the formatting requirements specified in the application form. This includes font size/type, line spacing and page margins;
- 6.4.8 Research proposals that do not comply with formatting requirements may be withdrawn from assessment. All details in the application must be current and accurate at the time of submission.
- 6.4.9 All applications will be assessed for completeness and eligibility prior to review:
- 6.4.10 The Research Committee may, at its discretion, remove applications that are considered to be incomplete, ineligible, not consistent with the guidelines, or non-competitive.
- 6.4.11 Once submitted, the application will be considered final and no changes will be permitted without the prior written consent of the Research Committee.

7. GRANT EVALUATION PLAN

Grants will be evaluated by panel members (Grants Evaluation Sub-Committee), with panel leads convening as members of the Metro South Health – Grants Evaluation Committee, to recommend fundable grants to the Funding Bodies. This is a change from previous years where applicants provided the names of three external referees to review their grants.

All grants in a particular category (e.g. Novice Researcher Small Grants, Innovation (Seed) Small Grants, Early Career Project Grants, Project Grants, Program Grants and Trauma and Emergency Management Grants) will be collated by the CHR team and reviewed by a panel of reviewers. This is intended to provide more consistent evaluation of the grants in that category. The panel leads, at their sole discretion may engage an expert selected by the panel or engage the applicant's nominated expert (to this end, applicants will be asked to provide the contact details of three external experts), or through the panel's contacts.

7.1 INITIAL ASSESSMENT FOR ELIGIBILITY

Assessment of Research Support Scheme applications will be conducted in accordance with relevant Metro South Health policies and procedures.

Applications will be registered and recorded by the Research Support Coordinator – Centres for Health Research

The Metro South Health – Grants Evaluation Sub Committee will meet and up to six review panels will be formed. The following review panels will be formed, each with a designated Panel Lead:

- Novice Researcher Small Grants Review Panel
- Innovation (Seed) Small Grant Review Panel
- Early Career - Project Grant Review Panel
- Project Grant Review Panel
- Program Grant Review Panel
- Trauma and Disaster Management Review panel

Applications will be allocated to a “Panel Lead” from one of the above panels (who has declared that s/he is without Conflict of Interest).

Panel Leads will undertake an initial assessment of eligibility and confirm that the panel members have been nominated in accordance with these Funding Guidelines.

Each Panel Lead will convene their panel and each Panel Member will review each of the applications and provide their scores to the Panel Lead.

If a Panel Member is considered to have a potential or actual Conflict of Interest with any of the grant applications, they might not be included in the corresponding review panel. MSH should obtain independent probity advice in circumstances where a panel member is kept on a panel even though they have declared a conflict to ensure that MSH is aware of the relevant risks

If required, the panel lead may request one or more expert external reviewer, to provide additional review/s of the grant application. This expert/s may be nominated either by the applicant or the panel lead.

7.2 EVALUATION CRITERIA for MSH - RSS GRANTS (except Innovation (Seed) Small Grants)

In the 2019 MSH RSS the following grant applications have six (6) separate Assessment Criteria.

- Novice Researcher Small Grant
- Early Career Project Grant
- Project Grant
- Small Grants – Trauma and Disaster Management
- Project Grants – Trauma and Disaster Management
- Program Grants

Each of the following assessment criteria will be scored by the Review Panels on a scale of 1 to 7 where:

1. No Evidence	2. Unsatisfactory	3. Fair	4. Good
5. Very Good	6. Excellent	7. Outstanding by international standards	

Each of the following grant types are evaluated as per the 1-7 scale but the value of the total score in each evaluation category is variable as per the table below. For example: greater emphasis is placed on collaborative strength for novice researcher and early career small grants than for Project and Program ad Small Trauma and Disaster Management Grants:

Grant Type	Scientific Quality	Justification of Budget	Clinical Significance	Clinical Originality and Innovation	Track record	Collaborative Strength / Capacity and Building
Novice Researcher Small Grant	40%	15%	10%	5%	5%	25%
Early Career Project Grant	40%	15%	15%	5%	5%	20%
Project Grant	40%	10%	20%	10%	5%	15%
Program Grants	35%	10%	20%	15%	5%	15%
Small Trauma & Disaster Grants	40%	10%	20%	10%	5%	15%
Project Grants – Trauma & Disaster Grants	35%	10%	20%	10%	5%	20%
Innovation (Seed) Small Grants	See Section 7.3 for Scoring as these grants utilise a different scoring criteria					

The Evaluation Criteria are as follows:

i. **Scientific Quality** (Score 1 to 7)

- Is the project well defined and clearly understandable
- Are the design and methodology sound
- Feasibility: Can the project be completed in the timeframe
- Is the proposal competitive nationally

ii. **Justification of Budget** (Score 1 to 7)

- To what extent the is the budget justified, appropriate and able to be managed within the Metro South Health financial guidelines

iii. **Clinical Significance** (Score 1 to 7)

The ability of the research to translate into improvements in human health such as the application of new ideas, diagnosis, procedures, technologies, programs or health policy, that will impact on human health. Based on:

- Burden of Disease
- Translational Aspect of the Research Proposal
- Research Significance

- iv. **Clinical Originality and Innovation** (Score 1 to 7)
 - Is the research project proposing an important step forward in the progress of clinical knowledge (Originality)
 - Is the research project proposing a new methodology for the benefit of our patients? (Innovation)

- v. **Track Record** (Score 1 to 7)
 - Based on the team's contribution to their field of research, the applicant's track record (relative to opportunity) that is relevant to the proposed research, and the ability of the applicant to lead the proposed research.

- vi. **Collaborative strength / Capacity building** (Score 1 to 7)
 - Based on the strength and appropriateness of collaborations, both within MSH and across disciplines, and the potential for the research team to strengthen the research profile of MSH and MSH campuses.
 - Demonstration of how the inclusion of a novice / early career / postgraduate or research higher degree will strengthen the capacity and capability of research at MSH or MSH campuses

7.3 EVALUATION CRITERIA for INNOVATION (Seed) SMALL GRANTS

The **Evaluation** Criteria are as follows:

#	Evaluation Criteria for Seed Grants	Percent Weighting	Scoring system of each criteria
1	Significance and capacity to lead change in practice or service delivery	20%	From 1 to 7 where: 1. = No evidence 2. = Unsatisfactory 3. = Fair 4. = Good 5. = Very Good 6. = Excellent 7. = Outstanding
2	Quality of Research Plan	20%	
3	Strength of the Interdisciplinary collaboration and capacity of the team to build	20%	
4	Feasibility of the project and likelihood of meeting objectives within the stated time	15%	
5	Novelty of the proposed project	15%	
6	Justification of the budget	10%	

7.4 CHANGE TO REVIEW PROCESS

Grants will be evaluated by panels of reviewers (Grants Evaluation Sub-Committee), with Panel Leads convening as members of the Metro South Health – Grants Evaluation Committee, to recommend fundable grants to the Funding Bodies. This is a change from previous years where applicants provided the names of three external referees to review their grants.

An additional external review of an application may be undertaken at the request of a Panel Lead if further expert opinion is required. The choice of which subject matter expert to use will be the responsibility of the Panel Lead, but may include an expert nominated by the applicant.

To this end applicants must nominate **three** (3) experts subject matter experts. It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to ensure the following:

7.4.1 External Experts

All nominated experts must be independent of all members of the investigative team (PI, CIs and AIs) and without conflict of interest. Each External Expert will need to complete a Conflict of Interest Form prior to receiving any applications.

A conflict of interest in relation to nominating an expert may arise as a result of a range of factors including personal or work relationships. Conflicts of interest may be pecuniary or non-pecuniary and include any situation that could actually, potentially, or be perceived to, bias the reviewer's evaluation of the application:

- i. To that end, principal investigators must:
 - Avoid nomination of experts with whom any of the investigative team have a personal relationship (including but not limited to those of family, friends and associates with whom the investigator would socialise outside a work context); and
 - Avoid nomination of experts, with whom investigators have current or previous (within the past five years) collaborations on research, grant applications, publications or cooperative agreements; or with whom a supervisory/subordinate work relationship has existed. If a PI wishes to nominate an expert with whom they have collaborated in the past 5 years they must contact the CHR-RSS@health.qld.gov.au or 34438057 and ask for consideration of their nominated expert, giving reasons why they should be included.
 - Avoid nomination of experts who are employed by the same organisation as any of the investigators that appear on the application, except where expressly authorised by the panel. An alternative expert should also be provided to ensure that, where the panel do not exercise their discretion to accept the preferred expert, another expert can be contacted; and
 - Declare to their line manager and to the Chair of Research any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest in relation to the experts they nominate on the application.
- ii. Co-investigators and associate investigators must review the experts nominated on the application and declare to the Principal Investigator any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest in relation to the reviewers.
- iii. All experts are acknowledged experts in the field of work proposed (i.e. publication track record and PhD or equivalent research experience);
- iv. One nominated expert **must** be interstate or overseas, and
- v. All **experts have been contacted** prior to submitting the application **and have confirmed their availability**
- vi. **Complete** contact details of all experts **must** be provided.

7.4.2 Ranking and Recommendation

Each Panel Member will complete a COI Form prior to receiving any applications.

Each Panel Member will provide their scores to their specific Panel Lead who will collate and rank them in coordination with the Centres for Health Research team.

Panel Leads may request an additional expert review if panel member's scores are markedly disparate.

The merit of applications will be discussed by Panel Members at a Grants Recommendation meeting in late 2018.

The Grants Recommendation meeting will be overseen by an external Chair (who is without Conflict of Interest).

Applications in each category will be ranked in order of merit:

- i. The Grants Recommendation Sub-Committee will consider the scores from the grants evaluation panel; any relevant information provided by the Spokespersons for that category of grants; and input from members of the Grants Recommendation Sub-Committee;
- ii. In the event that multiple applications in any grant category obtain equal scores, the Grants Recommendation Sub-Committee will determine a ranking and order of merit, based on assessment by members present. This may include (but are not limited to):
 - o Consideration of the Research Support Scheme Assessment Criteria and alignment of the proposed research with Research Support Scheme Objectives.
 - o Consideration of applicants' previous performance in relation to reporting on Research Support Scheme grants.

In the event that approved funds cannot be fully allocated in any one category (e.g. in the event that insufficient fundable applications are received), the Grants Recommendation Committee may recommend allocation of funds to another approved grant category

The recommendations of the Grants Recommendation Sub-Committee will be provided to the relevant delegate of each **funding body**.

7.5 AWARDING OF GRANTS

Recommendations for funding will be considered by the relevant delegate of each **funding body**, who make the final decision on the award of funds.

The Funding bodies and their delegates may, at their sole discretion, choose to award grants on the basis of the recommendations received, or not.

Award of grants will be via a letter of offer, accompanied by grant conditions.

Prospective grant recipients may be required to accept the offer and conditions in writing by the date identified in the grant award letter.

A breach of these requirements may result in an application being deemed ineligible and withdrawal from the assessment process.

8. SERTA FUNDED GRANTS – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

8.1 FUNDING AMOUNTS, DURATION & NUMBER OF GRANTS OFFERED

Grant Type	Purpose	Eligibility	Total Value	Duration	Number of grants offered
Novice Researcher Small Grant	For Early Career / Novice researchers to develop experience as a principal investigator	Restricted to MSH researchers who have not previously been a PI on a successful grant	\$25K	Up to 2 years	5
Innovation (Seed) Small Grant	For projects that are genuinely new work and are not currently or previously funded from any source	Open to all MSH researchers	\$25K	Up to 2 years	5
Project Grants	For defined projects that demonstrate potential for the research to be translated into improved health outcomes and/or result in future NHMRC grants. Research proposals demonstrating multi-centre collaborations within MSH will be highly regarded. Includes Health System and Health Implementation Sciences Projects	Open to Early Career MSH Researchers (less than 4 years from their research higher degree)	\$75K	Up to 2 years	4
		Open to all MSH Researchers	\$100K	Up to 2 years	10
Program Grants	The research budget must include people and project activities, <u>but must also include a research higher degree student or novice/ early career researcher as a CI and part time salary</u>	Open to all MSHHS researchers but more suitable for established researchers	\$250K	Up to 3 years	3

8.2 GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The following criteria apply to all Metro South Health grants:

8.2.1 Applicant Eligibility - including Honorary Appointments

- i. For SERTA funded Grants the applicant must be a member of staff of Metro South Health (not an Honorary Appointment), with a MSH appointment for the duration of the grant.

8.2.2 Research Team Eligibility Criteria

- i. All nominated co-investigators must be:
 - a member of staff of Metro South Health with a MSH appointment for the duration of the grant,

Or

- A member of staff of a Metro South Health academic partner university school or research institute based on a Metro South Health campus with an appointment for the duration of the grant. [Eg: Griffith University; Queensland University of Technology (QUT) Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation (IHBI); The University of Queensland Faculty of Medicine (UQ) which includes the School of Clinical Medicine of which Southside is a Clinical Unit, and research institutes such as the University of Queensland Diamantina Institute (UQDI); Centre for Health Services Research and The University of Queensland School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work]

- ii. Investigators from other institutions can only be listed as Associate Investigators (AI's).

8.2.3 Other Eligibility Criteria

- i. The majority of the proposed research activity must take place within a Metro South HHS facility;
- ii. The research must demonstrate cross disciplinary collaborations (e.g. across medical, allied health, nursing departments and/or basic/clinical research);
- iii. A complete and full application, including signatures must be received electronically by the Centres for Health Research by 5pm on the due date (on the application form);
- iv. The proposed research must not be concurrently funded by any organisation currently listed on the Australian Competitive Grants Register
<https://www.education.gov.au/news/2018-australian-competitive-grants-register-acgr-now-available>

9. TRAUMA AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT GRANTS – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

9.1 SMALL AND PROJECT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

9.1.1 **Small Grants provide** seed funding for projects that have the potential to increase the evidence base of trauma clinical practice.

9.1.2 **Project Grants** provide support for research in trauma and disaster management, with the following aims:

- i. Increase the evidence base of trauma clinical practice.
- ii. Develop research collaborations between Queensland Hospital and Health Services and Northern Territory Health.
- iii. Improve trauma patient outcomes through research

9.1.3 Summary of Grants

Grant Type	Purpose	Eligibility	Total Value	Duration	Number of Grants Offered
Small Grants	Provide seed funding for projects that have the potential to increase the evidence base of trauma clinical practice.	<p>Applicants must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A member of staff of a Queensland Hospital and Health Service, or Northern Territory Health Service for the duration of the grant.</i> • <i>A medical doctor, nurse or allied health professional</i> • <i>See specific eligibility criteria below</i> 	\$25K	Over 1 year	1
Project Grants	<p>Provide support for research in trauma and disaster management, with the following aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Increase the evidence base of trauma clinical practice.</i> • <i>Develop research collaborations between Queensland Hospital and Health Services and Northern Territory Health.</i> • <i>Improve trauma patient outcomes through research</i> 	<p><i>The majority of the proposed research activity must take place:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>within a Queensland Hospital and Health Service, or Northern Territory Health Service;</i> <p><i>Or</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>in partnership with another health service facility or organisation within Queensland or the Northern Territory that is acceptable to the NCCTRC</i> 	\$75K	Over 2 years	1

9.2 TRAUMA & DISASTER MANAGEMENT GRANT SPECIFIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

9.2.1 Grant Applicant Eligibility

Small and Project Grant Applicants must be:

- i. The Principal Investigator on the application;
- ii. A member of staff of a Queensland Hospital and Health Service, or Northern Territory Health Service for the duration of the grant.

9.2.2 Research Team Eligibility

Small and Project Grant Investigative teams must contain:

- i. A medical doctor, nurse or allied health professional;
- ii. No more than four Co-Investigators and two Associate Investigators.

9.2.3 Other Eligibility Criteria (Project Grants Only)

- i. The majority of the proposed research activity must take place: within a Queensland Hospital and Health Service, or Northern Territory Health Service;

Or

In partnership with another health service facility or organisation within Queensland or the Northern Territory that is acceptable to the NCCTRC

- ii. A complete and full application, including signatures must be received electronically by the Centres for Health Research by 5 .00 pm on the due date (on the application form);
- iii. The proposed research must not be concurrently funded by the ARC, NHMRC or any other organisation currently listed on the Australian Competitive Grants Register:

<https://docs.education.gov.au/node/50206>