

## Western Alliance support for large external research grant applications

### Expression of Interest (EOI) Guidelines

Western Alliance is formally offering support to applicants of large external grants (e.g. MRFF and NHMRC) where the objectives of the proposed project align with those of the Western Alliance and its member organisations.

Western Alliance can provide financial support for up to five external grant applications per financial year.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted to Western Alliance before the project team submit their application to the external funding body.

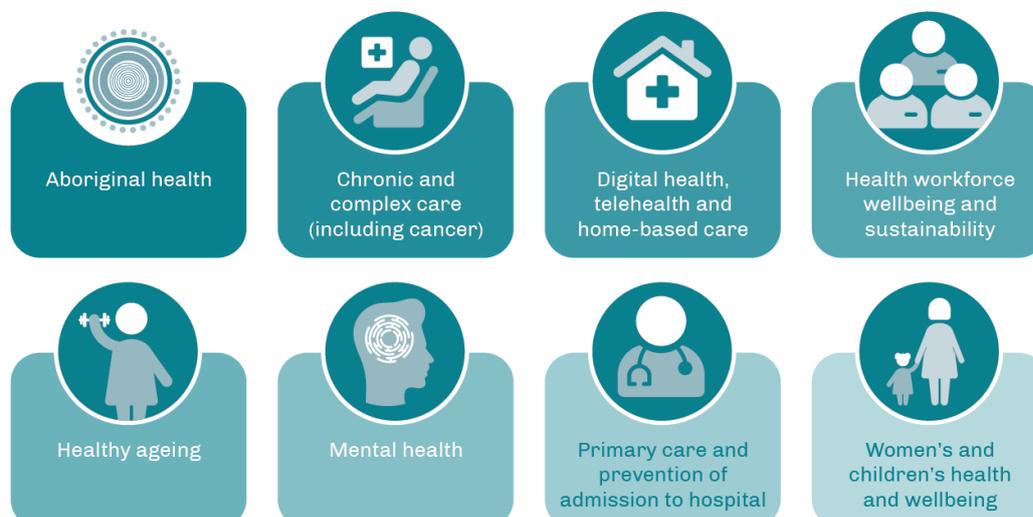
Western Alliance will only contribute funding and/or in-kind support should the project be successful in obtaining external funding.

Financial support of up to \$20K and in-kind support will be offered to prospective proposals that meet the following criteria:

- Application is for a large external grant
- Project will feature co-design and collaboration with at least one Western Alliance health sector member organisation (Barwon Health, Colac Area Health, East Grampians Health Service, Grampians Health, Maryborough District Health, South West Healthcare, Western District Health Service, Western Victoria Primary Health Network)
- Project will align with one or more Western Alliance research priority (figure 1)
- Project will focus on translational research or research translation which will improve health outcomes for regional/rural communities across Western Victoria
- Project will uphold the principles of [marra ngarrgoo](#), [marra goorri](#) if it specifically involves First Nations People or Community
- Project will include meaningful Consumer and Community Involvement

Financial support will be capped at \$20K for applications for more than \$1M, with a sliding scale applied to applications for \$250K - \$1M.

**Figure 1: Western Alliance research priorities**



***EOI process***

Please complete the online EOI form [here](#). Applications work on a rolling basis and can be submitted at any time.

Western Alliance will advise the contact person of the outcome of the EOI within two weeks of EOI submission date.

If successful, the investigator team will be required to submit a draft Letter of Support featuring details of the requested contribution for Western Alliance to review and sign.

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