

Seed Funding for Practice Based Pilots

Information for Applicants

Prior to commencing an application, applicants should read the following information to ensure they have read and understood the information, and the individual requirements of the seed funding for practice-based pilots for which they intend to apply.

General Information

Eligibility

 Preference will be given to applicants working within the TROPHI region, however there can be some flexibility as to the borders of the Eastern Melbourne PHN.



Work in primary care/or an individual primary care
provider supported by a practice, in a patient facing role



(e.g. GPs, GP Registrars, Practice Managers, Practice nurses, cultural mentors, Aboriginal Health Workers, non-clinical staff. (Medical students and pre-vocational doctors can also participate as research team members)

 Applications are encouraged from participants working in clinical environments that lack other funding opportunities.

Selection criteria

- Importance/potential impact of project
- Scientific quality of the project
- Alignment with regional needs
- Translational research focus
- Appropriate method
- Feasibility
- Potential to build research capacity in general practice/primary care
- Support from practice team to enable success
- Commitment to complete the PBP project
- Plan to share findings and contribute to the TROPHI initiative



In their application potential participants will need to:

- demonstrate a desire to increase skills, knowledge, and confidence in the areas of health research literacy, translation, and education to improve primary care practice.
- Applicants will have an opportunity to discuss projects and gain support from either of the Research Fellows (RF)from either Monash University or University of Melbourne when developing their application. All interested will be invited to a Zoom session on the process to apply if required.
- Applicants will also be asked to state what they hope to gain from the seed funding, what they envisage the benefits will be of engaging in the program and how the project will positively benefit the organisation and the community in the TROPHI region.
- Seed funding for practice-based pilots = \$10,000
- Applicants will need to supply an outline of the project and a brief budget. It should align with the regional community needs identified. Read the regional community needs



- The application should explain why the applicant wants to undertake a project. Outline the high-level aims.
- Applicants should have a letter of support from the organisation/practice team they will be attached to enable success – including an outline of the targeted practice capacity to support the project – e.g. how ready is the practice for such a project?
- The applicant will need to provide a risk assessment and mitigation plan for the PBP.
- Successful applicants will also receive a welcome letter and be notified of their RF.



Seed Funding for Practice Based Pilots (PBP) -Application Form

Personal / professional details	
<u>Full Name</u>	
Position, institution, affiliations	
Contact details (phone, email)	
Do you identify as an Aboriginal or Torres	
Strait Islander?	
Specific research areas of interest	



Career stage (e.g., registrar, PhD	
candidate, early career GP)	
Please briefly describe why you would like	
to be involved in the PBP and what you	
hope to gain from the program	
Please give a brief description of your	
research translation project or a clinical	
quality/education improvement proposal	
including:	
A summary of why this project is	
important/addresses a gap in	
knowledge	
2. Your research question/s	
3. What method will you use to	
address your research questions?	
(will there be participants, how will you	
recruit them? what data will you be	



capturing and analysing, and how will you do this)

- 4. What are the ethical considerations for this project? Will you require a HREC approval- if so, how do you plan to manage this?
- 5. Who will be involved in the research team, what are their roles and responsibilities and what are their skills and expertise that will contribute to this project?
- 6. Will you draw on other skills and expertise not named in the research team to support this project? if so please outline this.
- 7. Please describe how you will use and share the results from your project? How will this project have an impact on your practice and the TROPHI community?



What key support would you like to receive	
from your Research Fellow (RF)?	
How would involvement in the PBP	
program contribute to your future career	
aspirations?	
What is the feasibility//potential impact of	
translation of your research proposal?	
Do you have support from a practice	
team/experienced researcher involved to	
adequately support the practice-based	
pilot to enable success?	
Are you committed to complete the PBP	
program?	
Do you agree to share findings and	
contribute to the TROPHI initiative?	
Please supply a risk assessment and	
mitigation plan for your proposal	



<u>Please provide a timeline for</u>	
implementation of your research project	
showing how it can be completed within	
the stated timeframe?	
Ensure your budget is adequate to cover	
the proposed work.	
Outline your budget.	
(Seek advice from the RF if you are unsure	
what your costs might be. If your project	
requires more funding than the seed	
funding offers, explain what your other	
sources of funding are and whether the	
project can be undertaken without these)	
Value budget page include the following	
Your budget may include the following:	
Inclusions: Money to acknowledge	
investigator/s time, Expenses related to	
research, including transcription and	
research assistant services, recruitment expenses, specialist software	
procurement, data analyst services, and	
travel to undertake research. Also includes	
items related to dissemination of research	
findings, including poster printing and	
publication fees.	
Exclusions: Regular travel to and from the	
workplace \cdot Expenses covered by other	
funding Expenses incurred beyond the 12-	
month funding period, funding to offset	



lost consulting fees, and expenses related	
to international conferences and travel.	
Please supply two referees	
Please supply a letter of support from the	
practice	