

National Foundation for Medical Research and Innovation



As part of our grants program, we deliver presentations at publicly funded research organisations to educate researchers around translation and to address some of the factors that will increase their chances of success when applying for grants. The seminars are titled “***Solving the wicked problem of the gap from the research to translation***”.

These events are complimentary. At the moment there are scheduled presentations across SA, WA, ACT and Victoria. We have recently completed a roadshow in QLD and NSW. More information about our current seminars are available on our website here: <https://nfmri.org.au/events/upcoming-events/>

Should your institution wish to host a seminar, you may submit a request for Dr Noel Chambers to present using this [online form](#). Please bear in mind that we require suitable numbers to justify our travels (40 or so) and the session would require a minimum of an hour in order to be able to get the message out effectively and to help address the questions in the audience.

NFMRI's 2019 Conference & Awards Night





“Aligning intent: working towards a more sustainable, efficient and effective medical research ecosystem”

[Draft program available here](#)

NFMRI’s fourth conference, ***“Aligning intent: working towards a more sustainable, efficiency and effective medical research ecosystem”*** will take place on the 20th and 21st of November 2019 at Peppers The Sands Resort in Torquay, Victoria.

As the accomodation is booking out extremely quickly due to a large cycling race, we urge guests to register and book their accomodation ASAP to ensure not to miss out. More information is available on [our website here](#).

Early Bird Registrations:

Guests may access early bird pricing for our conference via [EventBrite by clicking here](#).

Grant-making charities who offer competitive grants to external organisations are entitled to receive two registrations for the price of one full registration (only available for two-day registrations). Simply register one individual and email the details of the second individual to: conference@nfmri.org.au

About NFMRI's Conference:

While our previous conferences sought to discuss key issues affecting the medical research and innovation sectors and to explore strategies and solutions to help build, support and grow the biomedical innovation sector in Australia, our fourth conference will hone in on the importance and benefits of aligning intent and working towards achieving the purpose of our donors and supporters.

The purpose of many organisations, including charities, relates to delivering better health outcomes for the community. The biggest funder of health and medical research in Australia is the NHMRC, which is also funded by the community through taxes. When asked, the general public believes that medical research should be funded because it helps save lives, improves health outcomes, finds cures and treatments for diseases.

The intent is clear and consistent.

However, is our community's intent currently aligned with and being met by the medical research sector?

By accepting funding is there a social contract to prioritise intent.

This year's conference will explore benefits, harm and wastage in the medical research ecosystem and how together we can lead cultural and systems change in order to do better. It will also focus on ways the sector can improve efficiencies and communication with various stakeholders, including the general community. Because success relies on harnessing many skills sets across various sectors including research, industry, investors, government and philanthropy, the conference will focus on the role each of these play in achieving outcomes.

We are will be releasing a draft program in the next month or two and hope that you will consider joining us at this event and participating in this important conversation.

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Partnering with NFMRI

NFMRI is always happy to consider partnership opportunities with other foundations, trusts, organisations or individuals looking to support innovative medical research in Australia and achieve greater outcomes from their funding. We are able to work within the disease and geographic parameters or our partners to collectively support new programs focussing on translation. This can better enable academic research outcomes, discoveries and innovations to move beyond academia and attract next stage partners including government, industry and venture capital. These partners have the expertise, capability and capacity to take research to the next stage, navigate the complex regulatory and approval systems and enable access to those in the community who are in need sooner.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

Partnering for success

NFMRI partners with funders of medical research to create impact

**Supporting Medical Research
Advancing Innovation
Enabling Collaboration**

A focus on creating impact
NFMRI partners with other funders, applying its strategy, systems, networks and expertise to achieve common goals.

Founded in 1977 and with DGR1 status the National Foundation for Medical Research and Innovation (NFMRI) has an established partnering program assisting other funders of medical research achieve better outcomes.

Supporting medical research that is important in the translation of discoveries leading to new innovations including; medicines, vaccines, diagnostics, devices, biologics and tools NFMRI has built specific expertise, capability and capacity that has enabled success.

Through our partnering program NFMRI is collaborating with other funders to achieve our mission.

[Contact us](#) to learn more and enquire about how we can work together.

1 GOVERNANCE
Strong governance forms the foundation of what we do, our culture and our partnerships.

2 STRATEGY
Our strategy focuses on targeted support that addresses gaps to enable translation.

3 SYSTEMS
NFMRI has built bespoke scaleable systems and capability specific to our strategy.

4 TRACK RECORD
Proven track record of success with breadth and depth across diseases and innovations

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NFMRI focuses strictly on supporting early stage biomedical innovations (drugs, vaccines, devices, diagnostics, biologicals and tools) advance to cross the 'valley of death'. Our processes, systems capability and capacity have been purpose built to support a unique strategy and deliver impact by assisting publicly funded research

organisations to attract next stage partners along the innovation pathway.

This strategy and support has already prevented a number of research projects from withering-on-the-vine. These projects have attracted next stage partners, secured investment and entered clinical trials across a number of diseases and innovations.

Based upon a framework of good governance, scalable systems and reproducible evidence of success, NFMRI established a targeted partnering program to assist other well-governed funders of research access our capability and capacity. Every dollar put towards our partnerships is distributed to innovative projects that meet the objectives of both NFMRI and the partner.

If your organisation would like to discuss a potential partnership further, please don't hesitate to contact Dr Noel Chambers by emailing enquiries@nfmri.org.au

Upcoming Events

23-26 September 2019 - [NFMRI SA/WA Roadshow \(Adelaide and Perth\)](#)

30 October - 1 November 2019 - Melbourne - [AusBiotech 2019 Conference](#)

20-21 November 2019 - Torquay, VIC - [NFMRI 2019 Conference](#)

If you would like to invite a speaker from NFMRI please complete the [speaker request form](#).



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