

2021 CALHN CEO CRIPS

(Clinical Rapid Implementation Project Scheme)

BACKGROUND.

The CALHN CEO Clinical Implementation Project Scheme (CALHN CEO CRIPS), is an initiative to promote health services research within CALHN, in keeping with the CALHN Vision of 'world-class care and world-class research'. Furthermore, the Scheme should stimulate ideas for future federal grant applications such as the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF).

The underlying principle of this scheme is for hospital-based staff to develop projects that will assist the CALHN Executive in improving health service delivery. Accordingly, the final *Full Applications* will be assessed by the CALHN Executive, following shortlisting of *Expression of Interest* by external assessors.

The grants are supported by the Health Services Charitable Gift Board (HSCGB) using funds from RAH donor accounts, hence projects need to be based within the RAH.

Following the success of the inaugural 2020 round, the HSCGB has granted additional funding, with up to four grants to be awarded in 2021.

PURPOSE.

The grants provide funding support for innovative projects that will improve health service delivery within CALHN. It is anticipated that the successful projects could be implemented as a CALHN policy within 12 months of completion of the 2-year grant.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.

The criteria include:

- Chief Investigator-A (CI-A, Principal Investigator) must be a member of the clinical staff (medical, nursing or allied health) working at the Royal Adelaide Hospital as funds will be administered through a RAH Research SPF cost centre
- Up to 3 additional chief investigators (CI-B, C or D) may be included in the application but a researcher may only be listed as CI-A on one application.
- Current CRIPS grant chief investigator recipients cannot be the CI-A on this application round but can fulfil the role of CI-B, C or D.
- The project must be primarily based within the RAH but collaboration with other CALHN institutions, as well as other local health networks is encouraged.

TERMS and CONDITIONS.

- Up to four (4) funded, each up to \$200,000 over two (2) years (i.e. \$100,000/year).
- Ethics/Governance to be approved before funding is released.
- Funding to start prior to **1st January 2021**.
- CI's to notify CALHN Communication & Media of media opportunities.
- Intellectual Property Agreement completed via CALHN Research Office.
- Progress Reports submitted to the HSCGB (via CALHN Research Office) at the 12-month anniversary date of grant award & within 3 months of project completion.
- Annual financial statement of expenditure submitted to HSCGB (via CALHN Research Office) by **31st December** each year of the project grant.
- Project grant may be terminated if above criteria are not fulfilled.
- CALHN Research Services Office will co-ordinate the CALHN CEO CRIPS grants.



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CALHN CEO CRIPS PROJECT SUBMISSIONS.

Submission Process.

- Applications for CALHN CEO CRIPS grants will be a two-step process including:
 - **Expression of Interest** – this initial application step will include the clinical research team details and a project synopsis, which will be evaluated by an External Assessment Panel.
 - **Finalist Full Application** – will be offered to the short-listed *Expression of Interest* and will be evaluated by the CALHN Executive Assessment Panel.
- *Expression of Interest* to be emailed to Health.CALHNResearchGrants@sa.gov.au

Submission Timelines.

<i>Expression of Interest</i> open:	17 th July 2020
<i>Expression of Interest</i> submitted:	2 nd August 2020, at 11.30pm
<i>Full Application</i> invitations sent:	28 th August 2020.
<i>Full Applications</i> closed:	21 st September 2020, at 1.00pm
Grant awards notification:	RAHsearch Showcase (12-14 th October 2020)

CALHN CEO CRIPS EXPRESSION of INTEREST INSTRUCTIONS.

Below are instructions for completing the accompanying 'CALHN CEO CRIPS *Expression of Interest* Form'. The fields within application form should be completed in Arial 10 font with strict word counts applying (as indicated below).

A. Clinical Research Team.

- The *Principal Investigator* (Chief Investigator A, CI-A) must be an RAH clinician (medical, nursing or allied health). All correspondence is directed to CI-A, as per the information in this section. The CI-A cannot be a chief investigator on a current CALHN CEO CRIPS grant.
- An additional 3 *Chief Investigators* may be nominated (CI-B, CI-C, CI-D). The Track Record of the Chief Investigators will be required, if invited to submit a *Full Application*.
- Up to 4 *Associate Investigators* may be nominated. The Track Record for the Associate Investigators will not be required, if invited to submit a *Full Application*.
- *Staff employed via The CALHN CEO CRIPS grant* (if applicable), need to be listed and specified if employed via CALHN or a non-CALHN institution (ie SAHMRI, University, or other). Justification may be required if staff employed via the grant are not CALHN employed.

B. Project Synopsis.

- A *Project Title* (≤ 20 words) that simply encapsulates the study aim, should be used.
- The *Primary Study Question* (≤ 25 words) reflecting the main objective of the study.
- The *Primary Study Implementation Outcome Measured* (≤ 15 words) should relate to the Primary Study Question & reflect the clinical impact of the project (eg reduced length of stay).
- The *Lay Description* (≤ 250 words) should be written so that a non-clinical person can understand the project. This may be used by Media & Communications Staff. It should include (a) why the study is important, (b) how it will be achieved (ie method), and (c) the so what, i.e. anticipated outcomes and impact. This section is a key component of the *Expression of Interest* assessment.

PROJECT ASSESSMENT.

- The *Expression of Interest* will be assessed by an External Assessment Panel, with the top ranked applications invited to submit a '**Finalist Full Application**' by the **21st September 2020**. The *Full Applications* will be assessed by the CALHN Executive Panel (ie CALHN Governing & Executive Board, or other personnel at the discretion of the CALHN CEO), with up to 4 grants awarded.
- Scores/rankings will not be disclosed to applicants.
- The Review Panel's decision is final and no further correspondence will be considered.

Further Enquiries.

- Contact **Prof John Beltrame** via email (john.beltrame@sa.gov.au) or phone (8222 6740).



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