

McInerney Medical Project Grant

Conditions of Award



In 2014 RANZCOG was the recipient of a generous bequest from the late Dr Robert McInerney to support medical projects.

Purpose

To support medical projects in the area of Women's Health.

Eligibility

The McInerney Medical Project Grant is open to FRANZCOG Trainees and Fellows as well as other health professionals, scientists and community working in the area of Women's Health, provided there is a demonstrated and genuine connection of the applicant to RANZCOG Fellows.

To be eligible for the McInerney Medical Project Grant, applicants must:

- be conducting research into an area of Women's Health.
- be an Australian or New Zealand citizen.
- undertake their project in an Australian or New Zealand hospital, university department or research institute, and/or community setting affiliated with an Australian or New Zealand hospital, university department or research institute.
- be a graduate in medicine, science, midwifery, nursing or allied health.
- be a student undertaking a Masters or PhD, or within five (5) years of the completion of a Masters or PhD*.
- preferably have had prior involvement in medical research in Australia and/or overseas.

Funds must not be used for general administration, general travel or entertainment purposes. Otherwise, provided applicants fulfil eligibility criteria, a wide variety of possible projects within the umbrella of advancing Women's Health are encouraged, including implementation research, projects with embedded community consultation and advocacy, and projects likely to advance policy issues in Women's Health particularly priorities of the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation including First Nations Health and Global Women's Health.

Tenure

Up to two (2) years, conditional upon the approval of a progress report six (6) months into the grant.

Grant Funds

AUD\$50,000 in total.

Applications

- Applications are to be submitted online through the Good Grants platform.
- The date for receipt of applications is 30 June.
- Applications are assessed by the RANZCOG Research Grants Committee.

Presentation

The successful recipient will be offered the opportunity to be presented with the scholarship at an appropriate RANZCOG event. Please note there is no funding available, and therefore attendance is at the expense of the recipient. In situations where the recipient is unable to attend the offered events, awards will be posted.

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Administration

Time spent undertaking the Research Fellowship may be recognised for part of the pre-Fellowship training for FRANZCOG, or towards the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program requirements of the College for Fellows.

Reporting

Grant recipients must submit the following reports to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation. Each must be submitted on the form(s) provided and include a letter of endorsement from the Research Project Supervisor.

Progress Report

- Due six (6) months into the project (i.e., normally by 31 July).
- Must be approved by the RGC prior to confirmation of the second year of the Fellowship.

Final Report

One month following the completion of the grant period (i.e. normally by 31 July of the second year) unless otherwise stipulated, the recipient must submit a Final Report to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation. This report will be reviewed by the RGC and must include a Summary Report (maximum 200 words), which provides a lay summary of the research project undertaken. This may be considered for publication in O&G Magazine and/or used for other promotional purposes by ACW and RANZCOG.

If for any reason the grant recipient cannot complete their research project by the conclusion of the grant period, the recipient must notify the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation prior to the report due date via email foundation@ranzcof.edu.au to seek approval from the RGC for an extension. If an extension is approved an additional Final Report must be submitted to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation at the conclusion of their project.

Variations to the project

Should the need arise for the project scope and/or funding to be varied please send an email to foundation@ranzcof.edu.au to request a Grant Variance Form. Your request will be reviewed by the RGC. Please note there is not any scope to request extra funding.

Acknowledgment

The RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation is to be acknowledged in any publication or thesis resulting from work undertaken during the tenure of the Grant by stating that the author was the recipient of the Robert McInerney Medical Grant for a particular period. A copy of any published article arising from research carried out under the Robert McInerney Medical Grant to be submitted to the RANZCOG Foundation when available.

Promotion

RANZCOG may publish details of the grant recipient and the associated project, including the lay description and/or lay summary, for promotional, educational, or membership activities in all forms of media now known or later developed, including but not limited to, the RANZCOG website, Facebook, Twitter, advertising, presentations, and marketing materials.

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*Applicants with career disruption should not be disadvantaged when determining their eligibility to apply for RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation grants. During peer review significant career disruption of applicants will be considered in terms of years since they received their Masters or PhD. For such grants, the five (5) year limit post Masters or PhD may be extended commensurate with the period of the career disruption.

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