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Welcome

Welcome to the research resources newsletter. This is a fortnightly e-alert to keep you informed about useful research resources and information, such as 'how to...' guides and advertised funding opportunities for your own research.

Our aim is to support you to be research interested and active. Please feel free to contact us if you have any other ideas or questions.

If you wish to be removed from this mailing list please let us know by emailing us at

phcred@greaterhealth.org

All our other contact details are given below.

We look forward to helping you with your research

Rachel Boak & Liz Jackway

Hot Topic . . .

Quality in Qualitative Research

Simon C Kitto, Janice Chesters and Carol Grbich. Quality in qualitative research. MJA 2008; 188 (4): 243-246.

Research in health care, especially clinical medicine, is an increasingly complex field that ranges from small-scale, cutting-edge benchtop science to large-scale population studies. Recently, there has been an increasing recognition by evidence-based clinical researchers that it is important to look towards qualitative research. In addition, an expanding interest in examining the attitudes, beliefs and experiences of those involved or affected by the delivery of health care have brought qualitative research into the spotlight. [Abstract precis by PHC RIS]

If you are interested in this article, please contact phcred@greaterhealth.org to receive the link to the website.

About PHCRED

The objectives of the PHC RED Program are to:

- Create research career pathways for early-mid career researchers using specific strategies including mentoring
- Improve the research skills of early-mid career researchers through the provision of research training and support
- Provide opportunities for early-mid career researchers to gain experience through participation in the research projects of senior researchers.

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ARC LINKAGE PROJECTS FOR FUNDING COMMENCING IN 2009

New due date: 5:00pm (AEST) 23 May 2008

Senator Kim Carr announced a number of enhancements to ARC funding schemes, including the promotion of international engagement in collaborative research. See media release at: http://www.arc.gov.au/media/releases/media_26March08.htm.

The ARC is currently exploring the opportunity to implement changes to the Linkage Projects scheme to take effect in the current round, including:

1. Permitting the use of ARC funds for international travel for PIs;
2. Removing the citizenship/residency requirements for APAI and APAI- IT students; and
3. Making provision so preference may be given to award APDIs to candidates who have the potential to enhance international collaboration.

Consequently, the ARC is expecting to release an updated version of the Linkage Projects funding rules for funding commencing in 2009 next week (which will incorporate relevant changes), along with the Linkage Projects application form in GAMS and associated documentation. As a result of these late changes to the funding rules, the ARC expects that the closing time for submission of proposals in Round 1 will be extended until 5:00pm (AEST) 23 May 2008.

Please note the internal deadlines at Flinders will be revised and updated on the website at: <http://www.flinders.edu.au/research/info-for-researchers/grants/external-grant-opportunities/arc-grant-opportunities.cfm#linkage>

Australian Cancer Research Foundation: 2008 Cancer Research Grants

Applications are invited from leading scientists for cancer research in Australia in the areas of:

- Capital Works & Facilities
- National Enterprises

Grants offered are between \$1.5 million - \$10 million

Applications for seed funding for ambitious research projects or programs involving multi-disciplinary teams or collaborations, together with evidence of the translational impacts of research for patients, will be given favourable consideration.

For details and grant guidelines visit www.acrf.com.au or contact Gabrielle Dunn, Grants Coordinator T: (02) 9223 7833 E: gduinn@acrf.com.au

First Stage Application Closing Date: Friday 9 May 2008 (Office of Research closing date Friday 2 May 2008).

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WWF - Threatened Species Network Community Grants

Round 11 of the TSN Community Grants program is open from 28 March 2008. Community groups are invited to apply for up to \$50,000 to conduct on-ground conservation work for the ongoing health of our natural environment, specifically targeting the needs of nationally threatened species and ecological communities. Funding is available for activities such as habitat restoration, weeding, feral animal control, population surveys and monitoring, fencing, and fire management.

Copies of the Program Guidelines, Application Form and Guide to Completing an Application may be obtained from <http://www.wwf.org.au/tsn> or phone the Program Officer Grants on 1800-032-551; or contact the TSN Coordinator for your region.

Original signed applications must be submitted by mail. Closing date for applications is 5pm Friday, 30 May 2008 (21 May to Flinders University OoR).

JDRF & Macquarie Group Foundation: Travel Grant Awards

JDRF Australia is calling for applications for the next round of travel grants for the

JDRF & Macquarie Group Foundation - Travel Grant Awards. The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) provides grants of up to \$2,500 to young researchers and \$2,000 to allied health and nursing professionals to travel to research institutions or scientific meetings, for the purpose of furthering the researcher's expertise in the study of type 1 diabetes. Applications are considered four times a year.

There are two type of Travel Grant available:

- Young Scientist Program Travel Grants for medical and science graduates who are directly undertaking type 1 diabetes research, and researchers in the early stage of their career.
- Allied Health and Nursing Research Travel Grants : for allied health or nurse professionals undertaking research impacting on the lives of people with Type 1 diabetes and their carers and families; or allied health or nursing students, enrolled in a post graduate research program, whose research will impact on the lives of people with Type 1 diabetes and their carers and families.

Closing date for applications is Friday 2nd of May 2008 (Flinders University Office of Research closing date is Thursday 24th April 2008).

Application forms are available at: <http://www.jdrf.org.au/research/travelgrant.html#application>

For further information please email travelgrants@jdrf.org.au or call (02) 9966 0400.

GAMS application form now available for ARC Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities (LIEF): for funding commencing in 2009

The 2009 Linkage Infrastructure, Equipment and Facilities (LIEF) Application Form is now available in the ARC's Grant Application Management System (GAMS) via the ARC's web site (<http://www.arc.gov.au/>).

The closing time for 2009 LIEF proposals is 5:00pm (AEST) Friday 16 May, 2008 (provisional closing date for the Office of Research is Monday 5 May 2008).

Funding Rules, Instructions to Applicants, Certification proformas and Request not to Assess forms are available on the ARC's Web Site at:

http://www.arc.gov.au/ncgp/lief/lief_default.htm

NHMRC Tracker - 04/08/08

Development Grants – Call for Applications for 2008

This is the second round of grants to be funded under the Development Grant Scheme in 2008. Applications open on 5 April and will be advertised in the Tenders Section of the Weekend Australian on Saturday 5 April. Closing date for applications will be 2 June.

By providing funding for research commercialisation at the early proof-of-concept stage, the Scheme supports the development of health or medical research that has commercial potential and may benefit the Australian community. The Funding Policy and application process documentation will be available from the NHMRC website on 5 April 2008.

Project Grants

NHMRC will commence contacting health and medical researchers to provide independent assessments of Project Grant applications from Monday 14 April 2008.

The Project Grants Scheme is NHMRC's main avenue of support for individuals and small teams of researchers undertaking biomedical, public health and health services research in Australian universities, medical schools, hospitals and other research institutions.

OTHER NEWS

... from Deakin University

Download Great Minds in Health

Subscribe to our new podcast series and you can download conversations with some of the great minds in Australian medical research.

Visit our podcasts page at for a conversation with Professor John Hopper of the School of Population Health, University of Melbourne, who talks about the power of statistics and letting the data speak for itself.

Melbourne CAREX 2008

Australia's premier Aged & Health Care Expo for CEOs, Managers, Clinicians, Health Professionals, Carers & Staff
April 16 & 17 2008 at the Caulfield Racecourse, 0930-1600 each day, **FREE ADMISSION**

- ⇒ To view details of the event including venue, parking, exhibitor list, floor plan - [click here](#)
- ⇒ To register your attendance - [click here](#)
- ⇒ To view details of & register for any of the free workshops - [click here](#)

Monash University - Dean's Public Lecture

"Clinical Decision Making and the Meaning of Life" : a discussion of the current status of clinical decision making in medicine

Thursday 17th April - 5pm for 5.30pm - 6.30pm

S4 Lecture theatre, building 25, Monash University, Clayton Campus: RSVP to mnhs.rsvp@med.monash.edu.au or call 03 9905 5971

Research Grants

... from Deakin University

The Development Grant Scheme (Health or Medical Research)

Closing Date: 02-Jun-2008 12:00 AM

National Health Medical Research Council

www.nhmrc.gov.au/funding/apply/granttype/development/index.htm

The Development Grant Scheme supports the development of health or medical research that has commercial potential and that may benefit the Australian community by providing funding for research commercialisation at the early proof-of-concept stage. The scheme endeavours to bridge the funding gap between the end of a high quality basic research program and the developments required to make the project commercially attractive to possible investors. While Development Grants provide funding for research commercialisation at the early proof-of-concept stage and encourage commercial partners, it is not a requirement that applicants have a commercial partner in place. Development Grants are designed to support development work undertaken in a human health related field, for example diagnostics, medical devices, pharmaceutical product development, biotechnology, bioinformatics and biomaterials. Funding is typically awarded for a period of one year. Although, funding may be provided for a maximum period of three years, subject to satisfactory achievement against agreed milestones. The grant request will usually not exceed \$200,000 per annum. Further information on the funding policy and application process is available from the NHMRC website.

Grants are expected to commence in November 2008

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For further information and application forms e-mail steven.sawyer@deakin.edu.au

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MENZIES FOUNDATION - Sir Robert Menzies Memorial Research Scholarship in the Allied Health Sciences

Closing date: 30 June

The Sir Robert Menzies Memorial Foundation offers up to three scholarships each year for full-time post-graduate research in one of the allied health sciences. The award is for up to two years at an Australian tertiary institution with appropriate facilities for postgraduate research. The Foundation has a preference for applications from graduates in the disciplines of clinical psychology, nutrition, nursing, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech pathology but applications from graduates of other allied health disciplines pursuing a PhD in that field will also be considered. www.menziesfoundation.org.au

GAMS APPLICATION FORM NOW AVAILABLE FOR LINKAGE INFRASTRUCTURE, EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES (FOR FUNDING COMMENCING IN 2009)

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Workshop ...

Subject: Professional Grant Proposal Writing Workshop (June 2008: University of Technology, Sydney)

The Grant Institute's Grants 101: Professional Grant Proposal Writing Workshop will be held at the University of Technology, Sydney, June 23 - 25, 2008. Interested development professionals, researchers, faculty, and graduate students should register as soon as possible, as demand means that seats will fill up quickly.

All participants will receive certification in professional grant writing from the Institute. For more information call (0011) 1-213-817-5308 or visit The Grant Institute at www.thegrantinstitute.com.

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Sydney, New South Wales
June 23 - 25, 2008
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Grant Institute's Grants 101 course is an intensive and detailed introduction to the process, structure, and skill of professional proposal writing. This course is characterized by its ability to act as a thorough overview, introduction, and refresher at the same time. In this course, participants will learn the entire proposal writing process and complete the course with a solid understanding of not only the ideal proposal structure, but a holistic understanding of the essential factors, which determine whether or not a program gets funded. Through the completion of interactive exercises and activities, participants will complement expert lectures by putting proven techniques into practice. This course is designed for both the beginner looking for a thorough introduction and the intermediate looking for a refresher course that will strengthen their grant acquisition skills. This class, simply put, is designed to get results by creating professional grant proposal writers.

Participants will become competent program planning and proposal writing professionals after successful completion of the Grants 101 course. In three active and informative days, students will be exposed to the art of successful grant writing practices, and led on a journey that ends with a masterful grant proposal.

Grants 101 consists of three (3) courses that will be completed during the three-day workshop.

(1) Fundamentals of Program Planning

(2) Professional Grant Writing

(3) Grant Research

Registration

\$997.00 USD tuition includes all materials and certificates.

Each student will receive:

*The Grant Institute Certificate in Professional Grant Writing

*The Grant Institute's Guide to Successful Grant Writing

*The Grant Institute Grant Writer's Workbook with sample proposals, forms, and outlines

Registration Methods

1) On-Line - Complete the online registration form at www.thegrantinstitute.com under Register Now. We'll send your confirmation by e-mail.

2) By Phone - Call (0011) 1-213-817-5308 to register by phone. Our friendly Program Coordinators will be happy to assist you and answer your questions.

3) By E-mail - Send an e-mail with your name, organization, and basic contact information to info@thegrantinstitute.com and we will reserve your slot and send your Confirmation Packet.

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