HEALTH PROFESSIONALS RESEARCH EDUCATION PROGRAM –

Session 4: RESEARCH SUPPORT SERVICES







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We acknowledge and pay respect to the **Awabakal People**, traditional custodians of the land on which the John Hunter Hospital is situated and also acknowledge and pay respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nations from which our students, researchers, staff and community are drawn



Agenda	Speaker
HMRI Clinical Research Design and Statistics (CReDITSS)	Chris Oldmeadow, Director and Senior Statistician, HMRI
HMRI Health Economics	Andrew Searles, Health Economist, HMRI
HNE Health Library services	Angela Smith, Liaison Librarian/Research Support
HNELHD Health Research Translation Centre	John Wiggers, Director, HTRC
UON Research Advantage Program	Jo Dixon, Manager Research Advantage Program, UON
Questions and Close	

HMRI CReDITSS

SPEAKER: Doctor Chris Oldmeadow

Director and Senior Statistician, HMRI Clinical Research Design and Statistics (CReDITSS) and Conjoint Senior Lecturer, School of Medicine and Public Health, Faculty of Health and Medicine UON









CReDITSS

Clinical Research Design, Information Technology, Statistical Services

Chris Oldmeadow, Associate Director

9th November 2018

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CReDITSS: People

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Kerrin Palazzi Alix Hall

Lucy Leigh Matthew Clapham

Jack Faulkner Tiffany Evans

Simon Chiu Jean Ball

Carl Holder

Bioinformaticians

Carlos Riveros Francia Jimenez-Fuentes

Epidemiologist

John Attia

Business Administration Manager: Michelle Gillam









When CReDITSS Can Help

"To consult the statistician after an experiment is finished is often merely to ask him to conduct a post mortem examination. He can perhaps say what the experiment died of."

Ronald Fisher

When we can help

Pre Study

- Study design and sample size calculations for grant applications or protocols
- REDCap database development / data quality assurance
- Randomisation (online)

During Study

- Data monitoring committee
- Interim analyses

Post Study

- Statistical analyses
- Reporting / manuscript help

Other Areas

 Problem solving for existing studies / general methodological advice on pitfalls, latest methods









Areas of Expertise

Clinical trial design and analysis

Pilot studies

Causal analyses

Longitudinal / cohort studies

Diagnostic / predictive studies

Administrative data analyses

Biomarker and bioinformatics

What you can expect

Initial meeting: asking questions about your research question

Discuss data

Propose analysis plan

Timeframes / deadlines

Analysis and report

Post report support





Some Success Metrics

- ~ \$20 million in successful grant applications 2017-2018
- ~ 100 publications almost 50% are in A or A* journals

2018 Health and Research Innovation: "High-flow Oxygen for Bronchiolitis"





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HMRI Health Economics

SPEAKER: Professor Andrew Searles

Health Economist, HMRI Health Economics and School of Medicine and Public Health, Faculty of Health and Medicine UON





HMRI Health Research Economics

Applied health economics is available in our network

Andrew Searles

9 November 2018



https://hmri.org.au/research-project-support/health-research-economists

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OBJECTIVES

A brief overview of:

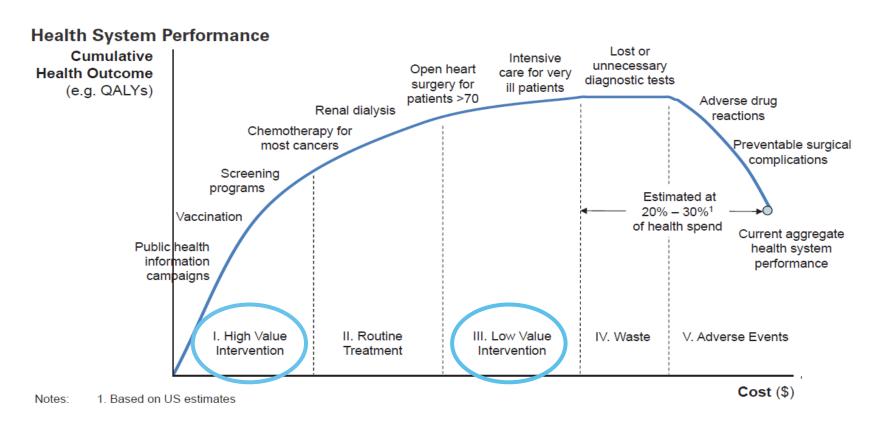
- Health economics and value in health care
- Different types of economic evaluations
- A new type of evaluation budget impact
- How to contact us

What is Health Economics?

- Economics is concerned with the allocation of scarce resources
- Health economics is about determining the value of health services, procedures and treatments
- "Is this new thing worth doing compared with other things that would use the same resources?"
- Efficiency & Affordability: both essential when understanding 'value'

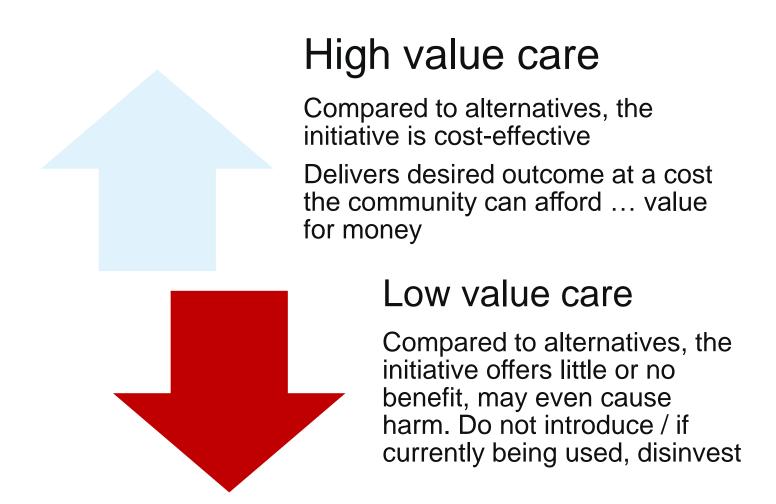
Why is value important?

About 20% of the \$170 billion spent annually on health is wasted (Productivity Commission, 2012)



Source: McKeon, S., et al. (2013). Strategic Review of Health and Medical Research in Australia – Better Health Through Research. Canberra, Commonwealth of Australia, Department of Health and Ageing.

Why measure? The benefit of evaluation



How to choose?

Q.... How do you determine whether to introduce or stop using a model of care/procedure/intervention etc?

A... Economic evaluation

Economic evaluation

- Different types of analyses
- Why perspective is important
- Choosing evaluation outcomes that make sense to decision makers

Types of analyses

- Costing studies
- Cost effectiveness analysis (CEA)
- Cost utility analysis (CUA)
- Cost consequence analysis (CCA)
- Cost benefit analysis (CBA)

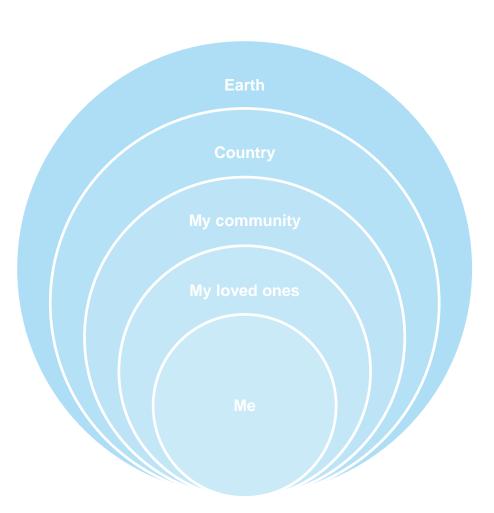
And, in development ...

■ Budget Impact Statements (BIS)



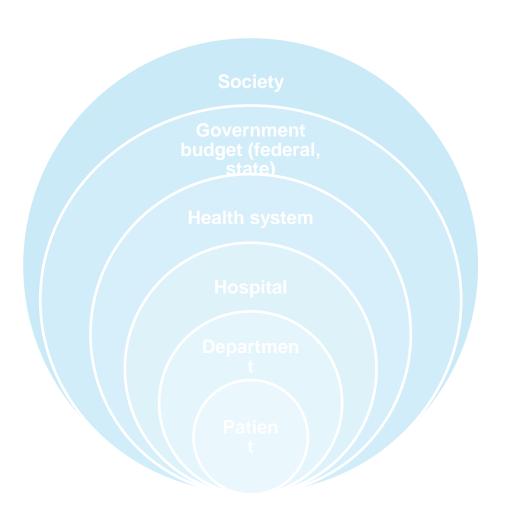
Perspective

- Whose money (resources)?
- For whose benefit (health and wellbeing)?
- Who should decide?



Perspective in healthcare

- Whose money?
- Whose health?
- Who should make the decisions?



Costing studies

No outcome measure, only costs accounted for

e.g. analysis of the comparative costs of alternative treatments or health care programmes

- Perspective determines which costs are included
- Common to all forms of economic evaluation

Cost effectiveness analysis

- Evaluates the costs <u>and</u> outcomes of two or more interventions where there is a single main outcome of interest (e.g. per cent reduction in BMI)
- Measured in natural units
- Perspective determines the costs / outcome to be included
- Comparisons limited
- Interpretation of economic outcome can be challenging

Cost utility analysis

- Same as CEA except...
- Outcome reported as cost per QALY
- QALY is a summary measure that includes the impact of both quantity and quality of life
- Utility score is recorded between 1 (perfect health) and 0 (death)
- Allows comparison across different health or disease states
- Perspective determines which costs are included

Cost consequence analysis

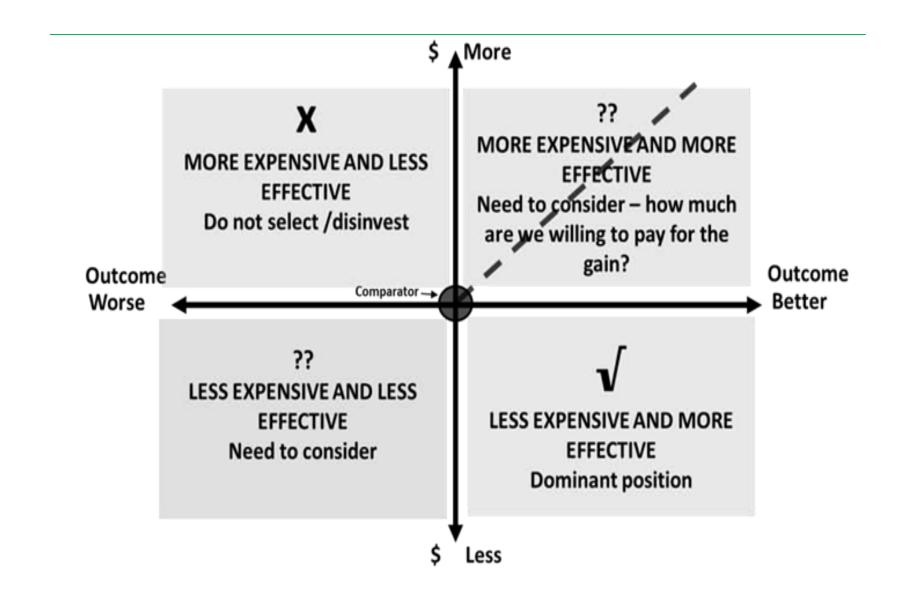
- Presents costs alongside a range of outcomes associated with a particular intervention/program
- Perspective determines which costs and benefits are included
- Provides a broader and richer source of economic information increasingly needed by health decision makers

e.g. comparing costs and consequences of different models of care across a care pathway in an observational study

Cost benefit analysis

- Places monetary valuation on health outcomes
- Measures the monetary value of any health benefits gained by the patient, as well as the value to society of any consequences or outcomes (e.g. ability to participate in paid employment/reduced productivity losses, reduced health services utilisation, reduced crime, etc.). Societal perspective recommended.
- Monetary value of benefits compared to costs of obtaining benefits, expressed as a cost-benefit ratio or return on investment
- Perspective determines which costs and benefits are included

Evaluation summary



Budget Impact Statement

- Economic evaluations tells us about efficiency (is this a good use of the health dollar?)
- Efficiency is not the same as affordability. An intervention might be cost-effective but not affordable if the health service is in deficit
- BIS assesses the financial consequence on the provider (department, hospital, LHD, state, etc.) of providing the intervention
- Considers additional costs and cost savings (accounting measures)
- Specifically designed for decision-makers in healthcare
- Perspective determines which costs and benefits are included

Health economics & your research

HMRI Health Research Economics

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How we work with you

Face to face meeting / phone or video call / or over coffee

Work with you on your project (hence 'applied')

Develop an appropriate economic evaluation

Write up for grants

Estimated budget if grant successful

Cost recovery

Grant writing – no charge

Build in cost component for health economics (i.e. a line item in your grant's budget)

QUESTIONS?



HNE Health Library Services

SPEAKER: Ms Angela Smith

Liaison Librarian/Research Support, HNE

SPEAKER: Mr Steve Mears

District Library Manager, HNE







Why? When? What?





About the Library Service

Staff

• 13.4 FTEs

Locations:

- John Hunter
- Calvary Mater
- Maitland
- Tamworth
- Armidale
- Taree





Why have a Librarian/Informationist as part of your research team?





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Sir Muir Gray, the Chief Knowledge Officer of the NHS (UK) From knowledge to health in the 21st century: aligning library/knowledge service to core NHS business, press release, 29 February 2008





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... it takes an average of 17 years for research evidence to reach clinical practice

Morris ZS, Wooding S, Grant J. The answer is 17 years, what is the question: understanding time lags in translational research. **J R Soc Med.** 2011 Dec;104(12):510-20.

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... up to 30% of all expenditure in R&D is wasted on redeveloping existing inventions.

The European Commission. Why researchers should care about patents; 2007

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... estimated in 2009 that 85% of research funding was being avoidably wasted across the entire biomedical research range

Chalmers I, Glasziou P. Avoidable waste in the production and reporting of research evidence. **Lancet.** 2009 Jul 4;374(9683):86-9.

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- Low priority questions addressed
- Important outcomes are not assessed
- Over 50% of studies are designed without reference to systematic reviews of existing evidence

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perform a systematic review of all available evidence before planning a study

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The basis for every sound review is a well designed and conducted search of the evidence.

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Metzendorf MI, Featherstone RM. Ensuring quality as the basis of evidence synthesis: leveraging information specialists' knowledge, skills, and expertise. Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2018 Sep 13;4:ED000125.





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Sir Muir Gra library/knov February 20

An evaluation of 272 systematic From knowl reviews in 25 high-impact journals showed that only 35% provided a partly reproducible search strategy

> Koffel, Jonathan B., and Melissa L. Rethlefsen. "Reproducibility of search strategies is poor in systematic reviews published in high-impact pediatrics, cardiology and surgery journals: a crosssectional study." PloS one 11.9 (2016): e0163309.





Complexity of the Information Environment

- Information overload Medline has approximately 27 million citations
- In addition a variety of health science databases with different interfaces and vocabulary need to be searched
- Alternative search strategy designs and approaches are required to capture unpublished studies and 'grey' literature.
- The hard to search topics continue to grow as clinicians, policy makers and patients require answers to complex health care questions.





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... There are now 75 trials, and 11 systematic reviews of trials, per day and a plateau in growth has not yet been reached ...

Bastian H, Glasziou P, Chalmers I. Seventy-five trials and eleven systematic reviews a day: how will we ever keep up? **PLoS Med**. 2010 Sep 21;7(9):e1000326

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...a quarter of systematic reviews need updating within two years of publication ... 15% need updating within a year ... 7% were out of date by the time they were published ...

Shojania KG, Sampson M, Ansari MT, Ji J, Doucette S, Moher D. How quickly do systematic reviews go out of date? A survival analysis. **Ann Intern Med**. 2007 Aug 21;147(4):224-33.

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Research Support Service

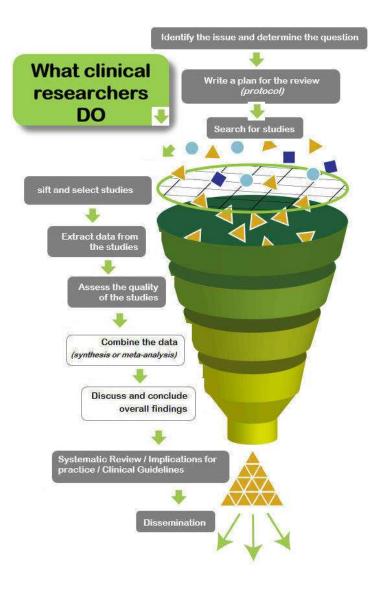
What do we do?





The Library supports research and adds value in a variety of ways:

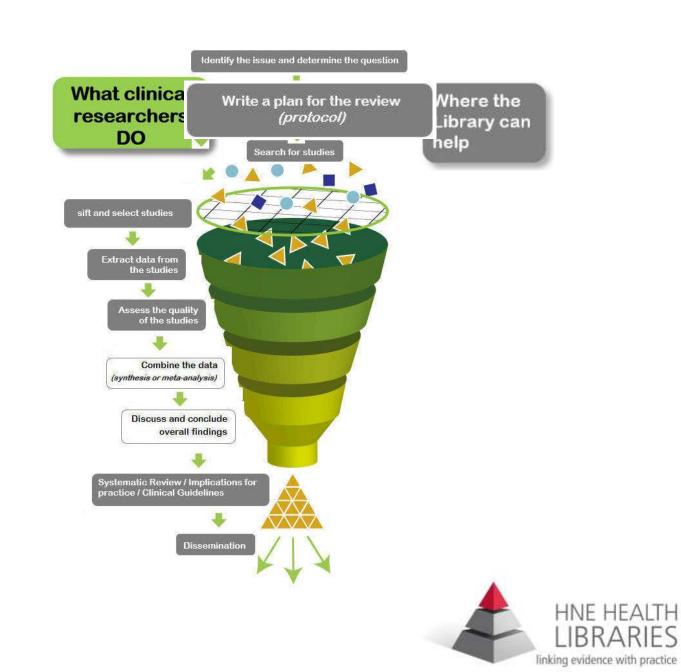
- Develop a research question that is clear, focused and related to the topic of interest
- Identify existing systematic reviews on a topic.
- Recommend appropriate databases.
- Review existing search strategies.
- Develop search strategies for each database.
- Execute searches across multiple databases.
- Document search strategies.
- Deduplicate and provide citations in Endnote.
- Provide assistance and advise with screening records, e.g. using Covidence
- Assist with locating full-text articles.
- Provide a narrative of the search methodology, including PRISMA flow charts.
- Contribute to the manuscript/report as a co-author

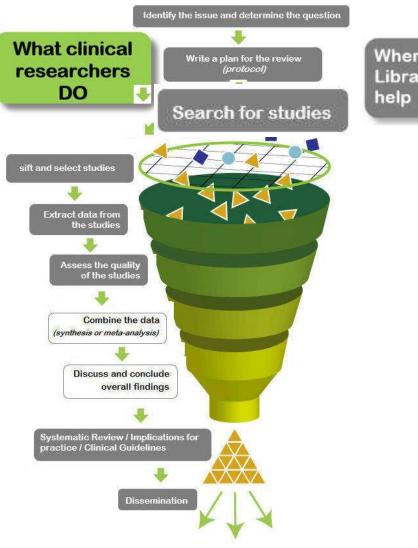




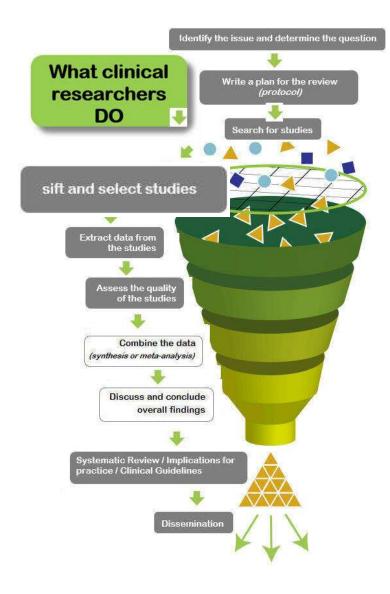
Identify the issue and determine the question What clinical Where the Write a plan for the review researchers (protocol) Library can DO help Search for studies sift and select studies Extract data from the studies Assess the quality of the studies Combine the data (synthesis or meta-analysis) Discuss and conclude overall findings Systematic Review / Implications for practice / Clinical Guidelines Dissemination



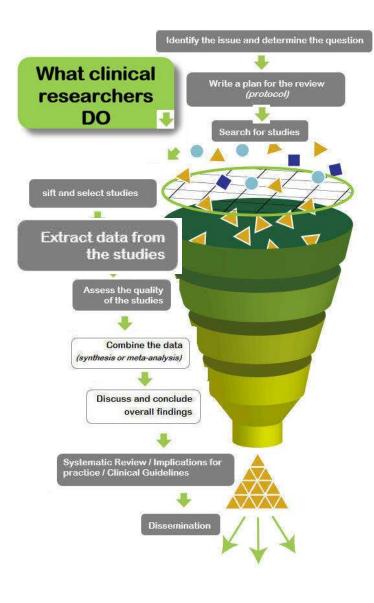




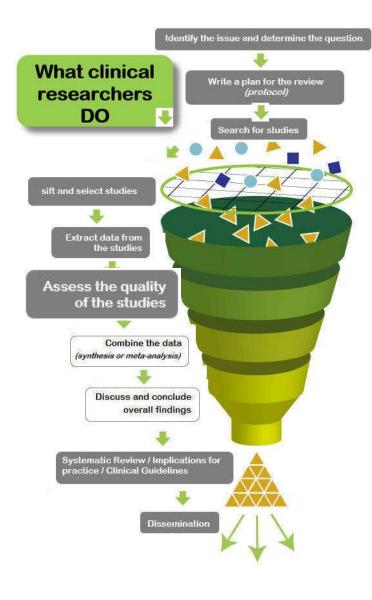




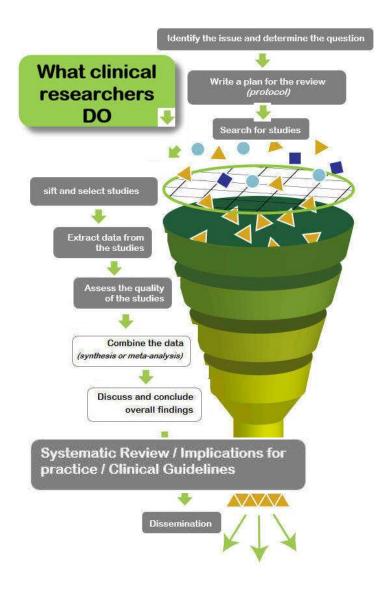




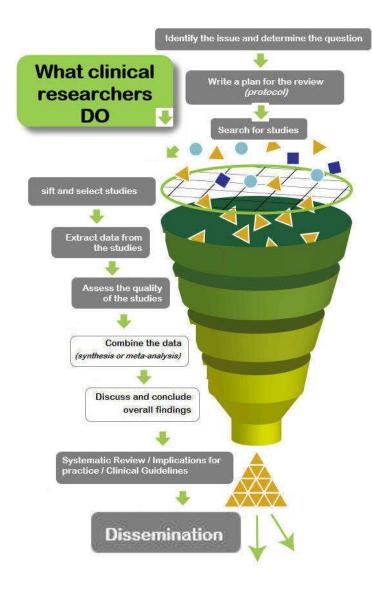
















'It is no longer the physical space of the library, nor the digital equivalent, but the value added by the librarians that make the difference '

Bakker, Suzanne. 2012. 'Health library and information professionals in Europe', in Changing roles and contexts for health library and information professionals, edited by Alison Brettle and Christine Urquhart. Facet Publishing, 2012, p8-14.





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We look forward to hearing from you and being part of your research team

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HNELHD Health Research & Translation Centre

SPEAKER: Prof John Wiggers











HPREP # 4 Research Support Services

Kristy Morris / John Wiggers

9 November 2018

Manager, HNELHD Health Research and Translation Centre



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HNELHD Research and Research Translation Plan 2018-2021



Vision: The health and wellbeing of HNELHD patients and community is enhanced through the conduct of health and medical research and the translation of research evidence into high quality and effective health service delivery



Aims:



- 1. To strengthen HNELHD systems and processes that **enable the conduct** of health and medical research undertaken, commissioned, supported and/or to be utilised by the Health District.
- 2. To strengthen HNELHD systems and processes that **enable the translation** of research evidence into routine clinical practice across the Health District through priority driven innovation and quality improvement initiatives



HNELHD Health Research and Translation Centre



Who are we:

- established in 2016
- committed to supporting high quality health and medical research
- and the translation of evidence into everyday clinical practice
- accountable for the delivery HNELHD Health Research and Translation Plan 2018-2021



HNELHD Health Research and Translation Centre



What don't we do:

- manage research projects, staff, budget etc
- conduct research projects

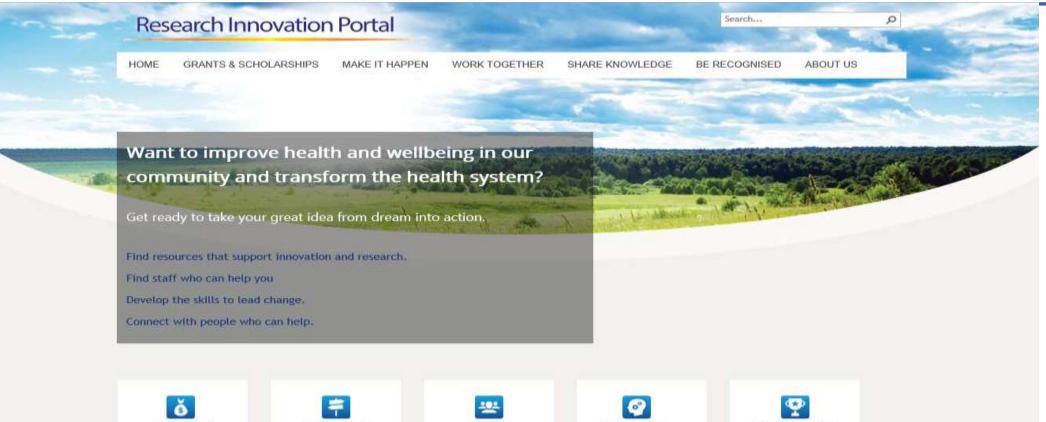
What do we do:

- support and facilitate research
- build research support systems
 - HNE Research Innovation Portal



HNE Research Innovation Portal















http://www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/working-together/Pages/Home.aspx

















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The HNELHD Health Research and Translation Centre supports applicants to develop quality submissions for a range of grant funding opportunities.

HNELHD Grants

HNELHD Clinical and Health Service Research Fellowships

HNELHD Improvement Grants

External grants supported by HNELHD processes

Translational Research Grants Scheme (TRGS)

Medical Research Futures Fund (MRFF)

Rural Research Capacity Building program

Click here to view other external grant funding opportunities





Clinical & Health Service Research Fellowships

- · 2016 Fellowship Winners
- 2017 Fellowship Winners



Round 3: 2019 Clinical and Health Service Research Fellowships (For funding 1st July 2019-30th June 2022)

Formally known as Clinical Research Fellowships

Building a Platform for Translational Research in Partnership with the University of Newcastle

In recognising that evidenced-based healthcare and improved patient outcomes are intrinsically linked to translating clinical research into healthcare policy and practice, HNE Health in collaboration with its partner, the University Of Newcastle (UON), are providing an opportunity to support health professionals to undertake clinical and health service research.

Round 3 of the Clinical & Health Service Research Fellowship Scheme will commence in July 2019 and responds to the HNE Local Health District's Strategic plan to; position for the future by facilitating multidisciplinary innovation, education and research.

Key Documents & Resources

- Information Session Recorded presentation 24 October 2018
- · Guidelines for Applicants
- Application Form



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Improvement Grants & HNEKidshealth Improvement Grants (formerly Innovation Scholarships)

Formerly known as the Innovation Scholarships, HNE Partnerships, Innovation and Research Unit & HNEKidshealth Children, Young People and Families are pleased to again support work across our health services by making available grant funding that focusses on improvement projects that help accomplish the Triple Aim. The Triple Aim is a framework that describes an approach to optimising health system performance by focusing on three goals simultaneously:





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Health Research and Translation Grant Funding Opportunities (External)

Grant Name	HNELHD Process*	Funding Available	Closing Date	More Information & Apply
Bupa Foundation Grants Program	No	Total of \$1m	2018 closed	click here
Heart Foundation Research Funding	No	various categories	various	click here
Cardiovascular Disease Clinician Scientist Grants	Yes	\$250K	14/11/18	click here
Translational Research Grants Scheme	Yes	\$8m	2018 closed	click here
Medical Research Futures Fund	Yes	\$6.1m	2018 closed	click here
Rural Research Capacity Building Program	Yes		Opens March 2019	click here

*HNELHD Process means where the HNELHD has an internal process in place to support the application to the funding opportunity. For example, you as the applicant complete the application process, ensuring all endorsement from relevant management and executive and send to the HRTC which will seek Chief Executive endorsement and submission is completed by the HRTC on behalf of HNELHD.

To add your grant funding opportunity here please email the above information to HNELHD-RSDO@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au



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Hunter New England Local Health District



Health Professionals Research Education Program (HPREP)

The HRTC in partnership with the University of Newcastle's Research Advantage program deliver free education sessions designed to provide information and practical advice for Clinician Researchers, Clinicians and Managers.

Every session is available via video-conference and live streaming as well as recorded for future viewing.

2018 Program

#01 NSW HEALTH TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH GRANT SCHEME

#02 IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE/KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION

#03 IMPROVING THE APPROPRIATENESS AND BENEFIT OF RESEARCH WITH ABORIGINAL PEOPLE

#04 RESEARCH SUPPORT SERVICES

Access 2018 Recordings through the HNELHD Library.

2019 Program

Friday 15 March

Friday 14 June

Friday 31 August

Friday 8 November





Information Sessions (applying for grant funding and awards)

The HRTC supports applicants to develop quality submissions for grants and awards run by HNELHD.

Medical Research Futures Fund (MRFF) - March 2018

Translational Research Grants Scheme (TRGS) - 2018

HNELHD Clinical & Health Service Research Fellowships & HNELHD Improvement Grants - October 2018



Ongoing

Research Advantage Program

The University Of Newcastle's Research Advantage program aims to connect and empower by providing a range of events and support resources.

HMRI Seminar Series

HMRI hosts and facilities a wide range of research seminars, workshops, training sessions, trade displays and events to support the work of Hunter researchers. The preeminent event is the HMRI Seminar Series - featuring national and international research and industry leaders at HMRI.

Non-Ongoing

November 2018		
Session	Date	Register/Link
Optimising OCS use in severe asthma in the era of biologic agents	15 November 2018	click here
Systematic Review Searching Workshop	28 November 2018	click here
Calvary Mater Inaugural Research Speed Networking Event	30 November 2018	click here
December 2018		



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Achievement Awards

High Value Health Care Awards

- Patients as Partners
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- Patient Safety First
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- · A Safe and Healthy Workplace
- · Health Research and Innovation
- Excellence in the Provision of Mental Health Services

Past Excellence Awards & winners

High Value Health Care Awards

Health Research and Translation Centre coordinates the application and assessment process for the High value Health Care Awards.

The High Value Health Care Awards reinforces our focus on High Value Health Care and ensures we recognise work that accomplishes the Triple Aim of meeting population health needs at the highest quality and lowest cost per capita. Select a category for full details.

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Application process and resources

In early 2019 the HRTC will present 'What makes a good application' to support potential applicants to develop their submission aligning with the assessment criteria. Stay tuned for more information.

Resources:

- High Value Health Care Awards submission template
- 2018 NSW Health Awards Guidelines
- How to prepare a submission for the HVHC Awards PowerPoint
- Tips for writing HVHC Award submission

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Applications exceeding word limit will not be processed for judging

Key dates TBA

Nominations for Excellence Awards open	2019 TBA
Nominations for Excellence Awards close	2019 TBA
Announce the finalists for all categories	2019 TBA
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Awards (non HNELHD)

Quality Improvement/Research/Partnerships focussed Awards



NSW Agency for Clinical Innovation - Innovation Award

The Agency for Clinical Innovation (ACI) are the primary Agency for promoting innovation and engaging clinicians in design and implementation of new models of care to drive continuous improvement in the way care is provided in the NSW Health System.

In 2014, ACI introduced an 'Innovation Award' to reward innovation and capture models of care which have potential for broader rural application.

Nominations shortlisted for the award are undertaken at the discretion of the LHD, and incorporated within existing judging processes currently utilized and driven by HNELHD.

NSW Health Awards

The HRTC coordinates the submission of HNELHD applications to the NSW Health Awards. Generally, the winners of each local HVHC award are submitted to the corresponding NSW Health award.

Contact HRTC, NSW Health Awards Local Liaison Officer for more information.

HNELHD-RSDO@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au

NSW Premiers Awards

The NSW Premiers Awards for Public Service recognise excellence in the delivery of public services to the NSW community by the public sector, not-for-profit organisations and private businesses. The award categories have changed from year to year to respond to government priorities.

The HRTC manages submission of entries from HNELHD, which are generally selected from the winners of the HVHC awards.

Australian Council on Healthcare Standards Quality Improvement Awards

The ACHS Quality Improvement Awards acknowledge healthcare organisations that achieve excellence and innovation in clinical care, organisation-wide practice, service delivery and performance measurement.

Access resources to help you with submitting an entry to the awards.



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BRIEFING - ENDORSEMENT REQUEST



Subject: Endorsement Request – (enter name of funding Scheme)

Date: Day Month Year

Author: Full name, Position, Department/Unit/Service

SITUATION

Seeking endorsement for the submission of the following expression of interest (EOI)/grant funding proposal to the (enter name of funding Scheme)

Project:

Lead Investigator:

HNELHD site (if applicable):

Funding Requested: \$ (GST Exclusive)

BACKGROUND

Add relevant information to provide the endorser with a clear understanding of what the purpose of the scheme is and how your application aligns.

E.g. The NSW Cardiovascular Research Capacity Building Grants Program aims to increase the number of high-quality cardiovascular researchers in NSW and increase the national and international competitiveness of cardiovascular researchers in NSW. A total of \$6 million is available for the inaugural funding round.

ASSESSMENT

- What benefit will this have to HNELHD patients?
 For example: Improved access to ... Enhance clinical care ... Improved outcomes ...
- What impact will the research have on HNE staff?
 Consider time, resources, practice improvements, capacity building,
- Has this research been to ethics?
 Yes (add ethics approval number) / Ethics approval will be sought (delete as applicable)
- Does the HNELHD executive team responsible for approving this project need to be aware of any potential risks;

List any risks related to the conduct of the research and any mitigation strategies

RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the appropriate Managers listed in Appendix 2 endorse the submission (in the order that is listed in Appendix 2), taking into consideration resources and impact on services
- That the Executive Director endorses the submission of the EOI in Appendix 2, then forwards to enter your email by COB enter date

Appendix 1: Summary of Research Project

Appendix 2: HNELHD Approvals required for submission of research project application

Attachment 1: Copy of application – not for circulation outside of approval chain (please attach a copy of the full application you will be submitting).



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Appendix 1: Summary of Research Project (Please complete)

Name of CI	
Name of Project	
Host Organisation	
HNE Staff member role	List names and roles
HNELHD in-kind	
Contribution	
HNELHD Budget Request	\$
Total Project Budget	\$ (GST exclusive) over X years
Requested over how	
many years	
Lay Summary of Project	

Appendix 2: HNELHD Executive Approval in principal to submit research project application

Please note that a written or typed statement of endorsement is required by each approver along with signature of approval committing to sustainability to implement the findings should the project be successful.

Service Manager Endorsement:			
Name:			
Position:			
Statement o	f approval/commitment		
Signature:		Date:	
General Ma	nager Endorsement:		
Name:			
Position:			
Statement o	f approval/commitment		
Signature:		Date:	
Executive [Director Endorsement:		
Name:			
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FUNDING AGREEMENT (for provision of funding to the University of Newcastle & HMRI).

This is an agreement between the Recipient and Hunter New England Local Health District as identified below.

denuned below.		
DETAILS		
Agreement Reference.	Name: Number:	
Recipient of funds.	Name: University of Newcastle ABN: 15 736 576 735 Contact Person: Dr Paula Jones Address: University Drive Callaghan Tel: +61 2 4921 7733 Mobile: Email: research-grants@newcastle.edu.au	
Principal: Hunter New England Local Health District. ABN: 63 598 010 203	Facility: Unit: Contact Person: Tel: Mobile: Email:	
	TERMS	
Agreed Payment Amount. (excl GST).	\$XXXX_(excl. GST) payable in 4 instalments on a quarterly basis as follows;	
Commencement Date.		
Term of this Agreement. (cannot exceed 1 year)	The term of this Agreement is set out below: Funded from: Funded to: Renewal terms (optional): additional years is entered into.	
Cessation/Termination.	In the event of termination of research surplus funds are to be returned to HNE Health.	





FUNDING AGREEMENT

Supporting Documents forming part of this agreement. (A copy of all documents must be attached) Special Conditions.		
special conditions.		
Conflict.		on any inconsistency between this agreement and g documents, this agreement prevails
SIGNIN	IG (execute	ed as an agreement)
Signed for and on behalf of the Recipient by:		Signed for and on behalf of the Hunter New England Local Health District by:
Signatory		Signatory
Print name and position of signatory		Print name and position of signatory
Date		Date:

Contact Us



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Research Advantage Program

SPEAKER: Ms Jo Dixon

Manager - Research Advantage Program UON







RESEARCH ADVANTAGE

RESEARCH ADVANTAGE PROGRAM





VISION

- Comprehensive career development pathway at each stage of the academic research career
- Future proof researcher capacity by building their research capabilities, profile and reputation in the research sector.
- Program of support for researchers to:
 - deliver competitive, high quality research
 - collaborate with national and global partners
 - develop as international research leaders



AIMS

To foster the development of an engaged research community, empowering academics at all career levels to reach their full potential.

- A research orientation program
- Support and direction to connect with a suitable research sponsor
- Multi-disciplinary networking opportunities
- High-quality ongoing professional educational learning opportunities
- Research related capability development opportunities



EMCR Connect and Empower Network

Supports researchers through:

- Interactive professional / career development sessions
- Opportunities for networking and collaborations
- Peer-to-peer support
- Hot Topics
- Know your Research Environment sessions
 [Four events [2016] and Seven events [2017]

Seven events delivered in 2018 - Register via Discover



ECR Connect and Empower Network Dates for 2018

Date	Topic	Speakers/Presenters
Tues 20 March	Flash Mentoring	X10 Senior UON Academics
Mon 7 May	Peer-to-Peer DECRA	Facilitators x 2 ECR's Presenters x1 ECR & x1MCR
Thurs 21 Jun	Table of Wisdom: The ECR Journey [STEMM focus]	Facilitators x2 ECR's, x1 MCR & x1 Level E
Mon 30 July	Academic Kindness	Facilitators x2 ECR's
Thurs 6 Sept	Table of Wisdom: The ECR Journey [CABLE focus]	Facilitators x2 ECR's, x1 MCR & x1 Level E
Wed 3 October	Polish Your Online Profile	Facilitators x3
Tues 20 November	Diversify Your Thinking	Facilitators x1 ECR & 1 x MCR

20180704 - Additional Session
Networking with
Confidence
Dr Peter Kelly

Grant Accelerator Program

The grant accelerator program will offers opportunities to learn and / or advance:

- Grant writing skills
- Research project management principles

And access to:

UON Academy of Reviewers

Expert researchers will review and guide the development of grant applications for major grant rounds, providing tactical feedback and advice to applicants.

Grant incubator workshops
 Incubator style workshops to support the development of fresh ideas for grant opportunities and collaborations, in a group-facilitated environment.

2017 - 14 learning opportunities provided

2018 - 14 learning opportunities scheduled



Grant Accelerator Program – Learning opportunities

Topic	2018
NHMRC 2018 Grant Rounds	Thurs 25 JAN
Session 1: Pre Grant Writing Circle	Fri 18 MAY
Session 2: How to respond to Reviewer comments: Rejoinder and Rebuttal	
preparation	Thurs 31 MAY
Session 3: Rejected Grants: Next Steps	Mon 18 JUN
Session 4: NHMRC Partnerships & Centres of Research Excellence (CRE)	Tues 10 JULY
Session 5: NHMRC new schemes update	Tues 18 SEPT
*Session 6: Pre Grant Writing Circle [Callaghan]	Thurs 23 AUG
Session 7: Impact & Engagement	Tues 11 SEPT
Session 8: Track Record and ROPE – ARC	Mon 24 SEPT
Session 9: Preparing Budgets	Wed 10 OCT
Session 10: Writing with impact & finesse the first page of a Grant proposal	Wed 17 OCT
Session 11: What's new and Lessons learnt for inclusion in the 2019 ARC	
Grant Rounds	Mon 12 NOV
Session 12: SAPPHIRE SYSTEM	FEB 2019
Session 13: New NHMRC Investigator Grant – Case studies [Caves Theatre,	
HMRI]	Tues 20 NOV
Session 14: ARC DECRA Application	Wed 5 DEC

Innovation with Industry Scheme

Aim: to improve its collaboration with industry and promote high quality research that will drive innovation. This Scheme will:

- Facilitate collaborations between industry and researchers
- Foster partnerships through supported engagement
- Incubator-style interactive workshops
- Entrepreneur and Innovation boot camps
- Industry-Mentor partnerships

2017 - Two introductory learning opportunities provided

2018 – Nine learning / networking opportunities to be provided



IWI - Topic	2018
	4.00 – 5.30pm
Session 1: Cooperative Research Centre Projects (CRC-Ps) grants [ATC 210]	Wednesday 14 FEB 2018
	4.00 – 5.30pm
Session 2: ARC Linkage Projects [ATC 210]	Wednesday 21 MAR 2018
Session 3: Research translation & commercialisation – Australian Biotech	10.00 – 11.30am
Industry [NewSpace: X502 - Collaborate Teal]	Thursday 19 April 2018
Session 4. Join the date Potter Health Healthears and Treatment Clobal	4.00 6.00nm
Session 4: Join the dots - Better Health, Healthcare and Treatment - Global Impact Cluster [Prof. Mark Flynn] [I2N Hunter Street Hub]	4.00 - 6.00pm Wednesday 23 May 2018
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Session 5: Innovation Connections Grants [Treehouse, Callaghan Campus]	Thursday 28 June 2018
	3.00 – 4.00pm
Session 6: ARC Hubs and Centres [ATC 210, Callaghan Campus]	Wednesday 1 August 2018
Session 7: Information 101: NIER & GIC Energy, Resources, Food and Water	2.00 - 3.30pm
Prof. Alan Broadfoot] [NIER]	Tuesday 28 August 2018
Session 8: Defence Funding & Networking Opportunities [I2N Williamtown	11.00am – 12.30pm
Hub]	Tuesday 25 September 2018

Session 9: Finding Industry Funding Opportunities

Presented by Tim Cotter – AusIndustry Newcastle Regional Office 11.00ar [I2N Hunter Street Hub]

11.00am – 12.30pm Tuesday 13 November 18

Health Professionals Research Education Program [HPREP]



The University of Newcastle [via Research Advantage] in collaboration with Hunter New England Local Health District will deliver the *Health Professionals Research Education Program*

A series of health specific presentations/seminars have been developed to run from March to November in 2018 - providing information and practical advice for our Clinician Researchers, Clinicians, Conjoints and Managers.

Session	Day	Topic
1	Friday 16 March	NSW Health Translational Research Grant Scheme (TRGS)
2	Friday 15 June	Implementation Science / Knowledge Transfer
3	Friday 31 August	Appropriateness and Benefit of Research with Aboriginal People
4	Friday 9 November	Research Support Services





Health Professionals Research Education Program [HPREP]



Draft 2019 Program

Session	Date	Topics to be advised
1	Friday 15 March	HNE Staff: Subscribe to HNE-RSDO mailing list for
2	Friday 14 June	notifications UON staff: www.newcastle.edu.au/ra for updates
3	Friday 30 August	OON Stair. <u>www.newcastie.edu.au/ra</u> for updates
4	Friday 8 November	





Contact: Research_Advantage@newcastle.edu.au

Visit the Research Advantage website: www.newcastle.edu.au/ra

https://www.newcastle.edu.au/research-and-innovation/resources/research-advantage

Multimedia Resources:

https://www.newcastle.edu.au/research-and-innovation/resources/research-advantage

https://www.newcastle.edu.au/research-and-innovation/resources/special-initiatives/multimedia-resources2



Q&A





WHAT'S NEXT in 2018



Grant Accelerator Program: Session #11: What's new and Lessons Learnt in the 2019 ARC Grant Rounds. 1:30 – 3:00pm Monday 12 November 2018 [ATC 210, Callaghan Campus]

Innovation with Industry: Session #9: Finding Industry Opportunities.

11.00am – 1:00pm Tuesday 13 November 2018. [I2N Hub Hunter Street Newcastle]

EMCR Connect & Empower: Session #7: Diversify Your Thinking.

9:30 – 11:00am Tuesday 20 November 2018 [HB15 – Hunter Building, Callaghan Campus]

Grant Accelerator Program: Session #13: NHMRC Investigator Grants – case study writing. 12noon – 1:30pm Tuesday 20 November 2018 [HMRI – Caves Theatre]

Grant Accelerator Program: Session #14: ARC DECRA Workshop
9:00am - 12noon Wednesday 5 December 2018 [ATC 210, Callaghan Campus]

Health Professionals Research Education Program: 2019 diary dates

Friday 15 March Friday 14 June Friday 30 August Friday 8 November