Summary of selection criteria and scoring weights of the included schemes

Agency	Scheme name	Year listed	Assessment criteria	Score
NHMRC	Partnership	2017	Track record of investigators relative to opportunity	25%
	Projects		Scientific quality of the proposal and methodology	25%
			Relevance and likelihood to influence health and research policy and practice	25%
			Strength of partnership	25%
NHMRC	Program Grants	2017	Team research achievements (publications, grants, awards)	60%
			Research strategy (quality, addresses important issues, impact, innovation, achievable)	20%
			Collaborative gain (team integration, training and mentoring)	20%
NHMRC	Project Grants	2017	Scientific quality (research plan clarity, appropriateness and feasibility)	50%
	-		Significance of outcomes and/or innovation of the concept (advance knowledge, outcomes. translation, publications)	25%
			Team quality and capability relative to opportunity (expertise, reputation, achievements)	25%
NHMRC	Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases	2014	Relevance and quality of project (scheme objectives, appropriate and feasible methods, innovative, ethical)	25%
	(GACD) ^a		Quality of team (high quality track-record, capacity building, public engagement)	25%
			Implementation plans/feasibility (challenges identified, inequality gaps considered)	25%
			Potential impact (outcome utilization, economic impact assessed)	25%
NHMRC	NHMRC's Targeted Call for Research	2013	Scientific quality and likelihood to answer the research question(s) (relevant, feasible consumers engaged)	40-60%
	Program ^b		Whether the team has all the necessary skills and expertise to achieve the expected outcomes	20-50%
			Significance of the project and expected outcomes	0-40%
NHMRC	Dementia Research Team Grants	2014	Generate new knowledge that leads to improved health outcomes (clarity, quality of methods, feasibility, innovation)	25%
			Record of research and translation achievement - relative to opportunity (contribution to the field of research, research outputs)	25%
			Facilitate collaboration (collaboration, integration and cohesiveness of the team)	20%
			Promote effective transfer of outcomes into health policy and/or practice (quality of the plan, involvement of end user)	20%
			Develop the health and medical research workforce	10%
NHMRC	Development	2017	Scientific merit of the proposal (quality of the scientific research)	40%
	Grants		Record of commercial achievements (relative to opportunity)	20%
			Commercial potential (high impact, innovation, relevant to schemes objectives)	40%
NHMRC		2015	Relevance to the aims of the round and significance of outcomes (relevant to scheme objectives, potential to improve outcomes)	30%

	National Institute		Project design, methods and analyses (feasible and suitable environment, consumers and clinicians	30%
	for Dementia Research Grants		engaged)	150/
	Research Grants		Budget justification and value for money (proposal demonstrates that it is cost effective)	15%
1411 (D.C.	AND CONCE	2015	Team quality and capability relevant to the project (team capacity, ability, and expertise)	25%
NHMRC	NHMRC/NSFC,	2015	Scientific quality of the project including feasibility (fits within aims of the scheme, feasible,	25%
	Prediction and Treatment of Type 2 Diabetes in China and Australia		appropriate methods) Significance of the expected outcomes (impact on health, advance knowledge)	25%
			Track record of the team (team capability, track-record)	25%
			Added value of international collaboration (collaboration, transfer of knowledge)	25%
NHMRC	Northern Australia	2016	Generate new knowledge that leads to improved health outcomes	20%
	Tropical Disease		Promote effective transfer of research outcomes into health policy and/or practice	20%
	Collaborative		Develop the health and medical research workforce	20%
	Research Program		Facilitate collaboration	20%
			Record of research and translation achievements - relative to opportunity	20%
NHMRC	Translational	2017	Significant relevance to the health system	NA
	Research Projects		Inform evidence-based improvement to health care	NA
			Outcomes for patients, and/or efficiency in healthcare and/or cost savings	NA
			Includes a plan for dissemination of results within the healthcare sector	NA
			Represents value for money	NA
			Excellent level research team	NA
NHMRC	Boosting Dementia	2017	Relevance to the aims of the round and significance of expected outcomes	30%
	Research Grants		Project design, methods and analyses (clear, coherent, involvement with consumers, innovation, feasible, translation/impact)	30%
			Project justification and value for money (demonstrate value for money)	15%
			Team quality and capability relevant to the project (team strength, reputation, contributions)	25%
Department of Foreign Affairs and	Tropical Disease Research Regional	2017	Activity effectiveness and value for money (strengthen research capability and collaboration, clear objectives, budget justified)	50%
Trade	Collaboration Initiative		Organisational effectiveness (record of strengthening research collaboration)	50%
Cancer Australia	Priority-Driven	2017	Team quality and capability relevant to the application	40%
	Collaborative		Outcomes and impact of current proposal	25%
	Cancer Scheme		Translation of research	10%
			Collaborations	15%
			Consumer involvement	10%

Cancer Australia	Support for Cancer Clinical Trials	2013	National multi-disciplinary membership, governance structure, data and quality, capacity building, collaboration, translation	33.3%
	Program Grant		How the funding will be utilized	33.3%
			Budget and value for money	33.3%
Alzheimer's Australia Dementia	Dementia Grants Program	2017	Scientific merit and quality (relevance, clarity and suitability of methods and plan)	50%
			Track record and independence of the applicant	30%
Research			Innovation/originality	20%
Foundation			The Scientific Panel will also consider the feasibility of proposed projects	
Australian and New	Project Grants	2017	Scientific merit, design/methods, track record, originality, feasibility and international	NA
Zealand College of Anaesthetists			competitiveness	
Australian Rotary	Mental Health	2017	Scientific excellence of the project	NA
Health	Research Grants		Innovation of the project	NA
			Track record of the applicant	NA
			Feasibility, including relevant partnerships	NA
			Practical benefits to the mental health of the community	NA
Bupa Foundation	Bupa Health Foundation	2017	Direct impact on health outcomes	NA
(Australia) Limited			Timing of delivery of results	NA
			Justification of funding	NA
			Study/program design	NA
			Reputation of organisation	NA
Cure for MND	Translational	2017	Research strategy and feasibility	50%
Foundation	Research Grants		Impact and transition potential	25%
			Personnel and budget	25%
Diabetes Australia	General Grants	2017	Research methods and quality	40%
Research Trust			Potential research outcomes	60%
Healthway	Health Promotion Intervention Research Grants	2017	Ability to directly improve health and community outcomes in priority health areas	NA
(Western Australian			Contribution of the research to best practice in health promotion	NA
Health Promotion			The quality of the translation plan	NA
Foundation)			End-user partnerships and collaboration	NA
			Soundness of rationale and methodology	NA
			Track record and capability of research team	NA
			Appropriateness of the budget, and overall value for money	NA
HCF Research	Health Services	2017	Scientific merit (design, methodology, feasibility, budget)	40%
Foundation	Research Grants		Relevance to HCF objectives (translation, response to knowledge gaps, improve health)	40%
			General (repeat other studies/ongoing studies, burden of disease)	20%
	Grants-in-aid	2017	Track record of the applicant	NA

Motor Neurone			Strength of the research plan	NA
Disease Research			Relevance to Motor Neurone Disease	NA
Institute of				
Australia				
Multiple Sclerosis	Research Grants	2017	Relevance to Multiple Sclerosis	NA
Research Australia			Significance (value and novelty)	NA
			Feasibility of methods	NA
			Track record of applicants	NA
National Breast	Innovator Grant	2017	Novelty of the project	50%
Cancer Foundation			Track record of applicant	20%
			Quality and feasibility	20%
			Relevance to National Breast Cancer Foundation research priorities	10%
National Breast	Accelerator	2016	Translational potential and impact on breast cancer outcomes	50%
Cancer Foundation	Research Grant		Track record of applicant team	20%
			Scientific quality and feasibility	20%
			Relevance to National Breast Cancer Foundation research priorities	10%
National Heart	Vanguard Grant	2017	Track record of applicants	NA
Foundation			How well the application addresses the purpose of the award	NA
			Quality of the research proposal	NA
			Feasibility of the research proposal	NA
			Potential to produce tangible outcomes	NA
Prostate Cancer	New Concept Grant	2017	Track record of investigator team	NA
Foundation of			Scientific and technical merit of the research question, feasibility, design and methodology.	NA
Australia			Innovation	NA
			Potential impact on prostate cancer	NA
			Research environment (suitability, expertise and collaboration)	NA
The Movember	Australian Mental	2013	Alignment and fit with Movember's strategic goals	NA
Group and	Health Initiative		Significance/innovation of the project (advance management, address significant areas)	NA
Beyondblue			Project proposal (clarity, achievability, collaboration, consultation with stakeholders, plan, knowledge translation)	NA
			The project team (proven expertise, capability, record)	NA

NHMRC: National Health and Medical Research Council, NSFC: National Natural Science Foundation of China, MND: Motor Neurone Disease, HCF: The Hospitals Contribution Fund of Australia.

^a Global Alliance for Chronic Disease Grants include: Request for Applications on Type 2 Diabetes in Low and Middle Income Countries, Request for Applications on the Prevention and Management of Chronic Lung Disease in Middle and Low Income Countries and Indigenous Communities in Australia and Canada, Request for Prevention and Management of Mental Disorders in Low and Middle Income Countries and Indigenous Communities in High Income Countries.

^b Targeted calls include: Targeted Call for Research into Wind Farms and Human Health, Targeted Call for Research into Preparing Australia for the Genomics Revolution in Health Care, Targeted Call for Research into Engaging and Retaining Young Adults in Interventions to Improve Eating Behaviours and Health Outcomes, Targeted Call for Research into Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, Targeted Call for Research into Mental Health: Suicide Prevention in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples