

St Vincent's Centre for Applied Medical Research Translational Research Grants

Specifications for Submission

- All submissions are to be DOUBLE-SIDED PRINTING
- Font style is Arial / Size 11
- **1 x copy** of the application
- Application must be STAPLED TOGETHER and HOLE PUNCHED (2 holes)
- **1 x electronic copy** of the application in MS Word format OR Adobe format – please email to svcfoundation@svha.org.au (the electronic copy of the application must be emailed as one document)

Submission deadline: 2.00 pm Tuesday, 25 June 2024 (late applications may not be accepted)

Submit to: St Vincent's Clinic Research Foundation
Level 4 - St Vincent's Clinic
438 Victoria Street
Darlinghurst NSW 2010

Applications are invited for Translational Research Grants offered by St Vincent's Centre for Applied Medical Research. St Vincent's Hospital is recognised as one of Australia's leading technologically advanced teaching hospitals, providing healthcare informed by medical and health research.

The grants aim to promote translation research, particularly in its early phase. This is envisaged to support salary, equipment and research consumable costs to assist early stage healthcare researchers to participate directly in research projects as a component of their professional career. These grants are intended for early stage researchers to mobilise a translational research project to publication with a view to attracting further funding from other peer reviewed grant agencies (e.g. MRFF, NHMRC, non-government organisations). Three grants are intended to seed fund projects with a clear project trajectory to improve clinical practice.

There will be:

- 1. One (1) major project seed funding grant (\$50,000) and two (2) additional grants (\$30,000) per annum.**
- 2. Small equipment grants – two (2) grants at \$20K each**
- 3. Clinician Buyback Grants – quarantined time two(2) grants at \$50K each**

NB: Each Grant is for a one-year duration.

Selection Criteria:

1. Quality of academic and research track record or evidence of research development such as enrolment in a higher degree in research of the investigator.
2. Evidence of collaborative input from associate investigators in various stages of translational research, including basic discovery, proof of concept and clinical aims for

translation to improve healthcare practice. Project collaborators may be from external institutions but preference will be given to research projects with collaborators from across the St Vincent's Research Precinct, including but not limited to Garvan Institute, Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute, Kirby Institute for Infection and Immunity, Kinghorn Cancer Centre, Nursing Research Institute and Allied Health Research Unit.

3. Quality of the project and how the research is expected to impact clinical practice.
4. Feasibility to conduct in 12 months – noting that extensions may be possible.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants **must** be employees or researchers with credentialed appointments at St Vincent's Health Network Sydney (SVHNS)
2. Projects must be undertaken on the St Vincent's Health and Innovation Precinct Sydney Darlinghurst campus
3. Applications will be administered through the St Vincent's Clinic Foundation grant application and scientific review processes. HREC and research governance approvals must be in place before the release of funds. It would be expected that any successful grant recipient could recoup administrative costs associated with the preparation of the successful HREC application (from the net value of the grant) so projects are not delayed.
4. Grant funds will be paid to an SVHS cost centre **only**. Applicants must provide an appropriate SVHS cost centre when claiming the grant.