



Medical Research Future Fund Consumer Reference Panel

Terms of reference

The role of the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) Consumer Reference Panel (CRP) is to provide advice to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Health and Medical Research Office (HMRO) on strategies for strengthening consumer involvement in the MRFF's implementation.

The CRP may also provide advice on any other matters related to the objectives above, or as requested by HMRO CEO.

The CRP is an advisory panel to the HMRO CEO. Whilst the CRP does not have direct decision-making powers regarding MRFF implementation, the CEO will work closely with the CRP to ensure consumer views are heard, and support improvements to the MRFF's administration.

Initially, the CRP committed to:

- providing advice to HMRO CEO on principles for consumer involvement in MRFF funded projects, for publication on the MRFF website and to be applied in MRFF funding processes (*this has been completed, see [Principles for consumer involvement in research funded by the Medical Research Future Fund](#)*)
- reviewing and providing advice on MRFF funding processes (e.g., guidelines, grant assessment committee arrangements, applications, grant reporting) to ensure they promote optimal consumer involvement in all research, including prioritising consumer-led research wherever appropriate.

