# Appendix A: MRFF Indigenous Health Research Fund projects funded as of October 2023

As of October 2023, the Medical Research Future Fund’s [Indigenous](https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/traumatic-brain-injury-mission) Health [Research](https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/indigenous-health-research-fund-initiative) Fund has had five grant opportunities that have awarded funding for research projects. The grant opportunities are:

1. [2019 Accelerated Research - Rheumatic Heart Disease](https://www.grants.gov.au/Ga/Show/02f2773c-c1b3-8797-c03b-091c86629699)
2. [2019 Indigenous Health Research Grant Opportunity](https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=e5373512-bbff-4ba3-28e6-4d24772ceb92)
3. [2020 Indigenous Health Research Grant Opportunity](https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=fb6b61e4-42f6-421d-b115-0a7fc3f19844)
4. [2021 Indigenous Health Research Grant Opportunity](https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=9807d139-936b-40ba-8f24-c698cbdc6f2a)
5. [2022 Indigenous Health Research Grant Opportunity](https://www.grants.gov.au/Go/Show?GoUuid=5025ce4f-9d08-4397-938c-e01ebe3dcd56)

The below table outlines the projects funded from these grant opportunities, and the ‘Priority area/s for investment’ as outlined in the [Implementation Plan](https://health.gov.au/resources/publications/mrff-resources-indigenous-health-research-fund-implementation-plan) that each project targets. Further information on [MRFF funded grants](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/medical-research-future-fund-mrff-grant-recipients) is available.

| **Institution** | **Project Title** | Amount**(ex GST)** | **Funded from Grant Opportunity** |
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| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 1.1** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 1.2** |
| The University of Adelaide | Working with Aboriginal families and health and social service providers to assess the feasibility of a novel care package to reduce cannabis and alcohol use and social stress in pregnancy | $675,286.00 | 3 (Stream 1 – Topic A) |
| The Sax Institute | Decolonising lactation care to support the initiation and maintenance of breastfeeding among First Nations women | $973,863.00 | 5 (Stream 1 – Topic A) |
| Murdoch University | Koonjula yipi, jiji and bamili- Building strong mothers, babies and families | $257,767.00 | 5 (Stream 1 – Topic A) |
| The University of Newcastle | The Gomeroi Gaaynggal Breastfeeding Study: A Community-Led Program to Enhance Breastfeeding Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Families | $726,149.00 | 5 (Stream 1 – Topic A) |
| Curtin University | Development of the Aboriginal Solid Families Program | $998,089.25 | 5 (Stream 1 – Topic B) |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 1.3** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 1.4** |
| The University of Queensland | Co-designed sleep health program to achieve better sleep and improved mental health symptoms in Indigenous adolescents | $586,961.00 | 2 |
| University of New South Wales | Enabling Dads and Improving Indigenous Adolescent Mental Health | $1,684,560.00 | 2 |
| The University of Queensland | IMHIP-Youth: A multi-disciplinary collaboration to embed and evaluate a model of social and emotional wellbeing care for Indigenous adolescents who experience detention | $1,988,280.32 | 2 |
| South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute Limited | Ngalaiya Boorai Gabara Budbut - supporting the heads and hearts of children: Responsive mental health care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adolescents | $1,997,344.00 | 2 |
| Menzies School of Health Research | What Matters to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Adolescents’ Wellbeing: Developing a wellbeing measure for adolescents (WM2A Project) | $1,896,841.30 | 2 |
| The University of Adelaide | A silver fluoride intervention to improve the life trajectories of Indigenous young people and reduce dental disease across the life course | $3,208,372.40 | 4 (Stream 1) |
| Flinders University | Child Protection Services in Health: Fostering community led solutions to minimise trauma and change trajectories of pregnant Aboriginal women, their children and their families. | $2,297,754.60 | 4 (Stream 1) |
| University of South Australia | A bush foods program to facilitate cultural connections and nutrition knowledges for Aboriginal young people | $550,744.60 | 5 (Stream 2) |
| Flinders University | Assessing the impact of a transferable and adaptive health sciences training model in the Northern Territory: An evaluation of the Ramaciotti Regional and Remote Health Sciences Training Centre | $506,978.40 | 5 (Stream 2) |
| University of Sydney | Connecting our Way: Improving the Well Being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children aged 5-12 years | $908,760.10 | 5 (Stream 2) |
| University of Sydney | Development of the first Culturally-based Social and Emotional Wellbeing program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in prison | $477,485.90 | 5 (Stream 2) |
| Edith Cowan University | Pride Yarns: Development and Trial of an Inter-generational Intervention for Supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTQA+ Young Peoples' Wellbeing | $624,242.00 | 5 (Stream 2) |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 2.1** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 2.2** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 2.3** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 2.4** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 2.5** |
| Monash University | Reducing the burden of chronic kidney disease in the indigenous population - the PROPHECY CKD study | $1,995,895.00 | 2 |
| South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute Limited | Co-Designing a Coordinated, Sustainable and Supportive Patient Navigator Program to Improve Kidney Health Outcomes | $986,773.80 | 4 (Stream 2 – A) |
| Flinders University | Knowledge interface co-design of a diabetes and metabolic syndrome intervention with and for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living on Ngarrindjeri country | $756,623.00 | 4 (Stream 2 – A) |
| James Cook University | Strong Community, Strong Health: Exploring opportunities for chronic disease prevention in the Torres Strait | $473,642.00 | 4 (Stream 2 – A) |
| The University of Queensland | Type 2 diabetes prevalence and management in patients attending an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service in Southeast Queensland over a twelve-year period: factors associated with good management and low risk of hospitalisation | $392,285.00 | 4 (Stream 2 – C) |
| Menzies School of Health Research | Air in East Arnhem: Crowdsourcing Air Quality, Temperature, and Health Data with Yolngu Citizen Scientists | $856,885.20 | 5 (Stream 3 – Topic A) |
| The University of Newcastle | Koori Quit Pack- Mailout smoking cessation support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who smoke | $999,186.20 | 5 (Stream 3 – Topic A) |
| University of Melbourne | Co-design approaches to preventing cardiovascular disease among Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander women | $987,428.20 | 5 (Stream 3 – Topic B) |
| Curtin University | Connecting with Country: promoting healthy eating and bush tucker for chronic disease prevention | $999,536.40 | 5 (Stream 3 – Topic B) |
| University of Melbourne | Dhirrabuu Maaruma-li -“Excellent Healing” (Gamilaraay) | $967,563.80 | 5 (Stream 3 – Topic B) |
| University of Melbourne | Walking together to reduce blood sugar in the community: Innovative and culturally appropriate strategies to reduce diabetes and chronic disease in Indigenous Australians living in a remote community in Arnhem Land | $998,263.45 | 5 (Stream 3 – Topic B) |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 3.1** |
| La Trobe University | Healing the Past by Nurturing the Future: Trauma-integrated perinatal care to improve health outcomes for Indigenous parents and infants in a rural setting | $1,499,041.20 | 3 (Stream 2) |
| The Sax Institute | Indigenous Led Evaluation of Aboriginal Programs (ILEAP) | $1,499,251.70 | 3 (Stream 2) |
| University of Sydney | VOICE - Validating Outcomes by Including Consumer Experience. Developing a Patient Reported Experience Measure for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people accessing primary health care | $1,430,917.85 | 3 (Stream 2) |
| University of Sydney | Creating Mental Health Safe Spaces in Pharmacy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Consumers: Educating the primary care workforce in Mental Health First Aid (The MH-SPACE Trial) | $1,862,639.00 | 5 (Stream 4 – Topic A) |
| Menzies School of Health Research | A multi-pronged approach to enhance type 2 diabetes management among First Nations youth in remote Northern Australia through improved systems of culturally-safe and clinically-effective care | $2,593,360.65 | 5 (Stream 4 – Topic B) |
| University of New South Wales | Gaawaadhi Gadudha: A stepped-wedge cluster randomised implementation trial and evaluation of an Aboriginal cultural health and traditional healing program | $2,902,798.39 | 5 (Stream 4 – Topic B) |
| Flinders University | Optimizing screening and surveillance models of care for liver disease in remote Indigenous Australian communities | $2,960,917.80 | 5 (Stream 4 – Topic B) |
| South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute Limited | Towards a culturally appropriate coordination, rehabilitation and secondary prevention model in primary care for Aboriginal people hospitalised with chronic disease | $2,388,524.70 | 5 (Stream 4 – Topic B) |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 3.2** |
| University of Western Australia | Accelerating Development of a Group A Streptococcal Vaccine | $35,000,000.00 | 1 |
| Flinders University | Aboriginal Community-Led Diabetic Retinopathy Prevention: An Innovative Model of Eye Care for Understanding Risk and Early Detection | $1,436,870.80 | 2 |
| University of Sydney | ACCESS: Aboriginal Community Controlled Ear health Support System: developing, embedding and evaluating best practice models of care | $887,186.00 | 2 |
| Macquarie University | Improving care pathways for Otitis Media in Aboriginal children (0-12): A case study approach | $1,961,473.90 | 2 |
| University of New South Wales | Improving social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children through contemporary Indigenous/cultural dance | $978,478.70 | 5 (Stream 5) |
| University of Western Australia | Understanding Hearing Loss to address the health needs of Older Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People- A life course approach | $2,049,800.60 | 5 (Stream 5) |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 4.1** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 4.2** |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 4.3**  |
| **Implementation Plan Priority Area 4.4** |
| University of New South Wales | Understanding how cultural resilience impacts Aboriginal health & quality of life | $560,209.30 | 3 (Stream 1 – Topic C) |
| University of Sydney | Understanding the contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and wellbeing to health: Implementation of the What Matters 2 Adults wellbeing measure | $998,036.60 | 3 (Stream 1 – Topic C) |
| Menzies School of Health Research | Examining the impact of extreme temperature on primary healthcare services utilisation in remote Central Australia to inform adaptation strategies | $480,027.60 | 4 (Stream 3 – Topic A) |
| University of Western Australia | Building a Culturally Safe Mental Health System for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Young People | $713,520.00 | 4 (Stream 3 – Topic C) |
| Curtin University | Improving coverage, confidence and knowledge about COVID-19 vaccination among Aboriginal Women of child-bearing age in Western Australia | $805,458.80 | 4 (Stream 3 – Topic C) |
| The University of Queensland | Multidisciplinary co-design of innovative, client-centred models for Indigenous mental health services in South East Queensland | $999,912.20 | 4 (Stream 3 – Topic C) |
| University of New South Wales | Our Wisdom, Our Ways supporting Aboriginal Women carers using a strengths based approach to the development of carer and clinician resources that support the carer to continue to care. | $479,465.00 | 4 (Stream 3 – Topic C) |
| The University of Adelaide | An Australian Cognitive-Behavioural Therapy informed Racism Reduction Model | $627,255.30 | 5 (Stream 6) |
| The University of Queensland | Implementation of anti-racism strategies to improve health outcomes for First Nations peoples in a large urban hospital | $980,279.00 | 5 (Stream 6) |
| Macquarie University | Systematically and Together Overcoming Racism Model (STORM) – co-designing a robust framework to reduce racism across the hearing health sector | $744,026.50 | 5 (Stream 6) |
| The University of Adelaide | The mouth as an expression of racial injustice: Building the evidence to foster an anti-racist dental health system in Australia | $898,629.25 | 5 (Stream 6) |