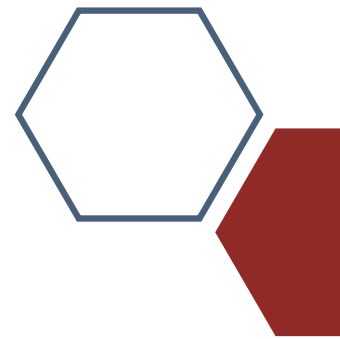


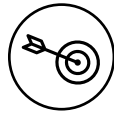


Rapid Applied Research Translation

Medical Research Future Fund
Snapshot 2019–20 to 2020–21



Theme
Research
translation



Goal

To support research centres that conduct transformative translational research, so patients can benefit from better quality of care.

These centres have been accredited for excellence by the National Health and Medical Research Council. They include Advanced Health Research and Translation Centres (AHRTCs) and Centres for Innovation in Regional Health (CIRHs).



Budget

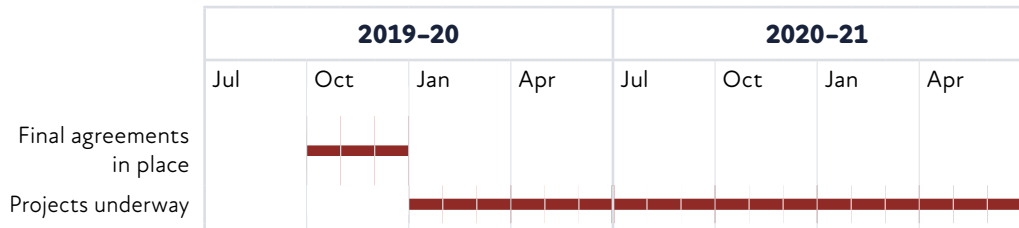
\$218 million
over 10 years

Total Budget allocation
(as at Budget 2019–20)

Total committed = \$60.9 million
Grant rounds in progress = \$4.1 million
Not yet allocated = \$160.6 million

	2019–20 (\$m)	2020–21 (\$m)	2021–22 (\$m)	2022–23 (\$m)
Budget	20.0	20.0	22.0	22.0
Committed	16.6	16.6	-	-
Grant rounds in progress	2.1	2.1	-	-
Not yet allocated	1.3	1.3	22.0	22.0

Funding timeline



Grant process: Open and competitive

See [GrantConnect](#) for specific grant dates

Early funding priorities

- Improving clinical pathways and care by building collaboration across the care continuum
- Addressing clinical variation by driving data linkage and integration to understand and reduce unwarranted variation in clinical care and outcomes
- Improving the health of vulnerable groups, including people with chronic conditions; people at the end of life; disadvantaged and ethnic groups; and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- Addressing the capacity and production gap in primary care research, with an emphasis on multidisciplinary, adaptive research methodologies and clinical capability support
- Testing innovative public health approaches to addressing modifiable risk factors for chronic and complex disease

Current or completed activity



- In the 8 translation centres funded, researchers and health service providers work together to generate evidence, translate research and improve health care delivery. This will improve patient outcomes and experience by using innovative approaches to health care and treatment
- The centres also work together on national system-level initiatives to improve health services and health systems sustainability. They also find ways for patients and communities to be involved in prioritising research
- \$28 million contractually committed under this initiative in 2017–18 and 2018–19

Delivery horizons

Establish (1 to 3 years)

- Funding agreements in place with all AHRTCs and CIRHs to support research that will improve care and patient outcomes
- Identify priorities for next funding round

Expand (4 to 7 years)

- Improve collaboration between researchers and health care services on health professional education

Embed (8 to 10 years)

- Ensure that translated research becomes common practice in primary care, and public and community health settings
- Improve benefits to patients, quality and safety, and health system performance

Measures of success

The community accepts and adopts new technologies and treatments

Clinicians adopt best practices more quickly

Research community has greater capacity and capability to undertake translational research