



# FACT SHEET

# CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

## NATIONAL HEALTH PLAN

## Coronavirus Research Response

The Australian Government will invest \$30 million for COVID-19 research to enable Australian researchers to contribute to global efforts to control the outbreak.

### Why is this important?

This investment will fast-track the development of diagnostic and treatment options for all Australians and the global community. Australian researchers will drive innovation and contribute to global efforts to control the outbreak.

Three research areas, in line with the priorities agreed at the recent Coronavirus Research Roundtable, are vaccine development, anti-viral development and respiratory medicine research.

### Who benefits?

This measure will use the considerable expertise of Australia's world-class health and medical researchers which is critical for ensuring preparedness and the safety of all Australians and the global community.

### How much will this cost?

This measure will cost \$30 million over 2019-20 and 2020-21.