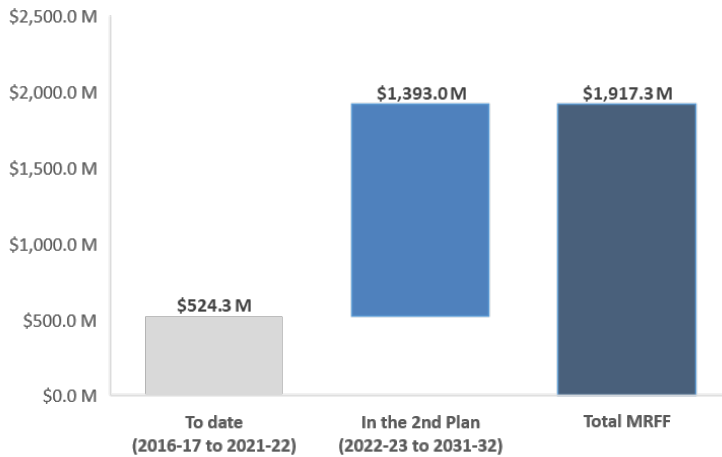


MRFF FUNDING THEME - PATIENTS

This theme aims to bring benefits to patients, including supporting life-changing clinical trials, funding innovative treatments and advanced health care and medical technologies.



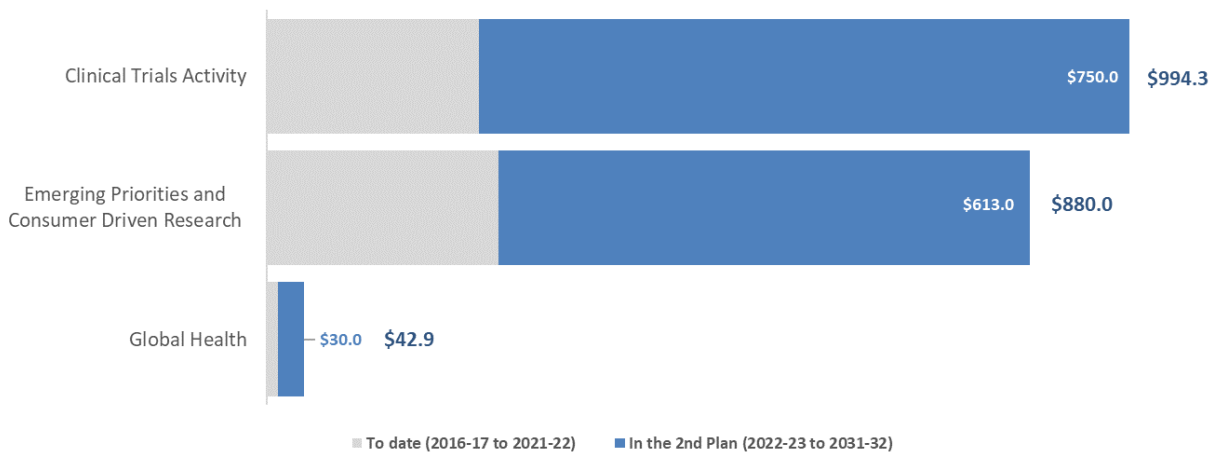
The \$1.393 billion allocated for the Patients theme under the 2nd Plan (2022-23 to 2031-32) builds on the funding already provided since the inception of the MRFF.

Overall, around \$1.9 billion has been made available from 2016-17 to 2031-32.

There are 3 initiatives under this theme:

- Clinical Trials Activity
- Emerging Priorities and Consumer-Driven Research
- Global Health

Funding allocation under the MRFF 10-year Investment Plan, since 2016-17 (million)



MRFF FUNDING INITIATIVE

Clinical Trials Activity

Objectives

The objective of this initiative is to increase clinical trial activity in Australia in order to improve the evidence base supporting clinical care and to help patients access trials relevant to their health circumstances, and enable researchers to bring international trials to Australian patients.

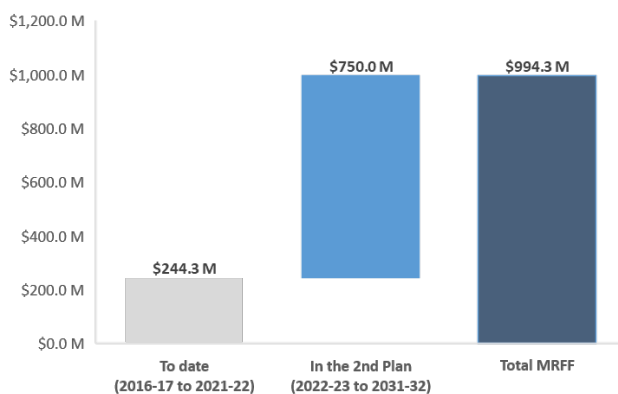
Funding supports clinical trials that test the effectiveness of therapies and treatments and create the evidence needed to improve clinical practice.

Through the 1st 10-year Investment Plan, the initiative focused on clinical trials addressing rare cancers, rare diseases, and unmet needs, and on bringing investigator-led international clinical trials to Australia.

Through the 2nd Plan, the initiative’s focus has been expanded through a new stream (Effective health interventions) to enable funding of research projects focused on any disease or condition that meets the objective specified in each grant opportunity. Early priorities through the 2nd Plan include:

- testing emerging therapies and technologies such as the use of molecular testing for targeting treatment and neurostimulation for spinal cord injury
- supporting implementation of proven interventions, diagnostics, therapeutics or models of care that are not routinely used in Australia
- comparing the effectiveness and acceptability of interventions addressing complex chronic conditions and chronic pain.

Funding allocation



Grant activities supported to date

18 grant opportunities were completed
156 grants valued at
\$296.1 million were awarded or announced*

As of 21 January 2022
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Key alignment with Priorities

- Comparative Effectiveness Research
- Public Health Interventions

MRFF FUNDING INITIATIVE

Emerging Priorities and Consumer-Driven Research

Objectives

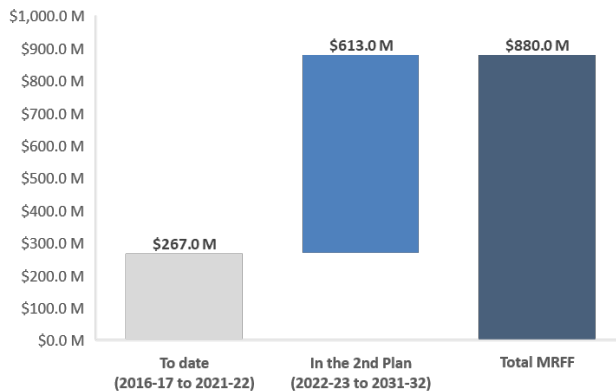
The objectives of this initiative are to support research that improves patient care and translation of new discoveries, and encourage collaboration between consumers and researchers.

Funding supports the development of new diagnoses, treatments and cures, and the translation of new discoveries into clinical practice.

The funding for this initiative will continue to support research on addressing emerging priority health needs and areas of unmet need. Early priorities through the 2nd Plan include:

- development of new approaches, interventions, therapeutics and assistive technologies for multiple sclerosis, chronic neurological conditions and children with developmental delay
- international collaborations, such as through the European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases, to research better and faster ways to diagnose and monitor rare diseases.

Funding allocation



Grant activities supported to date

48 grant opportunities were completed
92 grants valued at
\$339.2 million were awarded or announced*

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Key alignment with Priorities

- Consumer-Driven Research
- Global Health and Health Security

MRFF FUNDING INITIATIVE

Global Health

Objectives

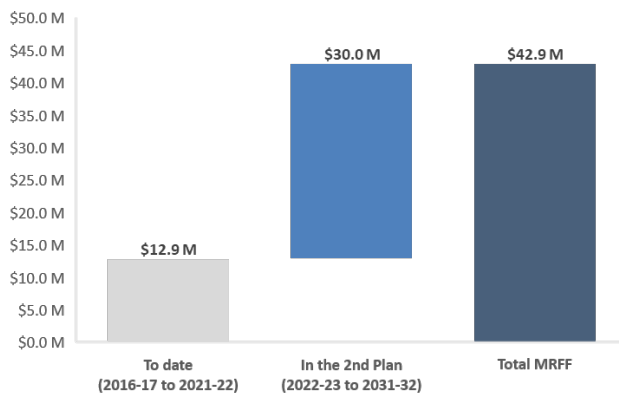
The objectives of this initiative are to develop knowledge and tools for addressing threats to Australia’s national health security from the regional and global challenges of antimicrobial resistance and drug-resistant tuberculosis.

Funding supports Australian researchers to collaborate globally to address shared challenges.

The funding for this initiative will continue supporting international frameworks and capabilities through the generation of new evidence and knowledge, particularly within the Indo-Pacific region, in order to address global health and health security issues. This is expected to lead to:

- a better understanding of global health threats, particularly the rise of antimicrobial resistance and drug-resistant tuberculosis
- the identification of the best ways to address these threats
- the development of tools to fight threats to Australia’s national health security.

Funding allocation



Grant activities supported to date

3 grant opportunities were completed
9 grants valued at
\$16.3 million were awarded or announced*

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Key alignment with Priorities

- Global Health and Health Security
- One Health – Antimicrobial Resistance