

# CANCER COUNCIL TASMANIA GRANT SCHEME (CCTGS)



## For Funding in 2019

The 2019 round of funding is for research that focuses on cancer control\*

Electronic Submissions are due to [admin@cancertas.org.au](mailto:admin@cancertas.org.au)

### Eligibility

- The scheme is open to researchers in all faculties and institutes of the University of Tasmania; departments within Tasmanian hospitals; and the Department of Health. The priority area is cancer control. This includes research relating to the reduction of the incidence and impact of cancer on individuals and the community. It includes every aspect of care from prevention and early detection that leads to a better outcome, treatment and supportive care. It encompasses population health strategies, medical research, clinical and psychosocial care. Early career applicants are encouraged to seek the support of mentors in preparing their application.
- An individual can only be listed on one grant as a lead chief investigator (CI) at any one time. Achievement of deliverables on previous CCT grants will be considered when assessing requests.
- Closing date and time of the scheme, formatting length and supporting documentation requirements must be strictly adhered to. Applicants not meeting these requirements will not be eligible for funding.
- Persons who are applicants for, or in receipt of tobacco industry funding are not eligible to apply for or receive funding from Cancer Council Tasmania. Staff of institutions receiving funding from the tobacco industry will also not be eligible to apply for, or receive funding from, Cancer Council Tasmania.

### Assessment Criteria

- Quality of the research proposal, including feasibility and budget (50%)
- Research capacity, including track record and research team (25%)
  - Applications with an early career researcher as the lead investigator will receive additional 20% weighting in this category. Please indicate on the form if you are an early career researcher. This includes those who obtained their PhD or highest degree  $\leq$  5 FTE years ago or who have had no grants as a lead investigator ( $>$ \$10,000). If you are unsure whether you meet this criterion, please contact CCT.
- Research significance and innovation, including alignment with the strategic direction of CCT and broader contribution to the field of research (25%).
- Specific to the GPTT Research grant is the demonstration of the benefits to General Practitioners.

### Assessment Process

- Full electronic applications must be submitted to [admin@cancertas.org.au](mailto:admin@cancertas.org.au).
- Applications will be distributed to the relevant review panel.
- Members of the panel will individually assess, score and rank applications.
- The reviewers will then meet (with at least one member of the Scientific and Research Committee (SARC)) to moderate and then consolidate scores and rankings and where necessary provide brief comments against the selection criteria;
- Ranked applications will then be discussed at a SARC meeting to consolidate a score and ranking.
- A funding recommendation will then go to the Board. The final list will also contain a short list of applications.
- Successful applicants will be informed in December and unsuccessful applicants will be provided with written feedback from SARC explaining why they were unsuccessful.

### Conditions of Grant

- The term of each funding round will be 12 months.
- Grants will provide support of up to \$10,000 for one year.
- Funding cannot be used to support institutional infrastructure costs.
- Research funding must be spent, as outlined in the application, by the project close date. Unspent funds will be reclaimed.
- A Final Report, on the approved template, must be submitted.
- A summary relevant to clinicians (applicable only to the GPTT grant) must be submitted.
- One of the grants must relate to bowel cancer.
- No part of the funding is to be used for external conference attendance.
- If a sole CI leaves their current employment, then the grant must be relinquished.
- Funding cannot be used for CI salaries, or to fund a Research Higher Degree candidate's stipend or fees.
- Funding is subject to investigators obtaining relevant ethics committee approvals.
- A presentation must be given to the Scientific and Research Committee and/or Cancer Council Tasmania.

Chief Investigator Details:			
Lead CI:			
Highest qualification:			
School/Faculty/Institute:			
Early career researcher:	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Phone:			
Email:			
Investigator Details:			
Name:			
Highest qualification:			
School/Faculty/Institute:			
Early career researcher:	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Phone:			
Email:			
Investigator Details:			
Name:			
Highest qualification:			
School/Faculty/Institute:			
Early career researcher:	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Phone:			
Email:			
Key Dates:			
Event	Date		
Application Submission due to admin@cancertas.org.au	21 October 2018		
Assessment by external assessors	26 October 2018		
CCT SARC meeting	08 November 2018		
CCT Board meeting	15 November 2018		
Funding Announcement	December 2018		
Funding Available	January 2019		
Final Report	31 March 2020		
Key Contacts:			
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**Project Details (four pages maximum in 12pt font, plus one page for references in 10pt font)**

**Research Proposal (50%)**

- Include: Project Title; aims and hypotheses; research plan, including background and methods; timeline, including likely outputs within a 24 month period and budget (provide supporting evidence)

**Research significance and innovation (25%)**

- Include:
  - How does your project align with the current strategic direction of CCT?
  - How is your project significant and/or innovative in relation to the broader field of research?

**Research Capacity (25%)**

In a separate attachment, include the following for each investigator:

- A list of publications and grants (include title of project, investigators, funding body, total amount, years funded) within the last 6 years (including the first 6 months of this current year).
- A track record statement for the CI's team
  - Description of key research outputs including most significant publications and those that demonstrate collaboration between team members
  - Contribution to discipline or area, which includes, but is not limited to, invitations to speak at meetings, conferences or contributions to development of policy or clinical guidelines
  - Other research-related achievements. These could include influence on policy or practice or community engagement

**Note: these categories align with those requested for project grants by the NHMRC.**

- Research capacity is assessed for the last 6 years, including the first 6 months of the current year.
- Career interruptions can be detailed in a separate attachment.

**Attachments:**

1. Budget breakdown and supporting evidence
2. List of publications and grants in the previous 6 years
3. Track record statement(s)
4. Career disruptions

**Authorisation:** By signing below, you confirm:

- 1) that this application will achieve the proposed outputs and that the grant can be accommodated in the School/Faculty/Institute, and
- 2) the institution is not in receipt of tobacco industry funding.

If the lead CI is the Head of School then the Dean of the Faculty must authorise this form.

Lead CI		<b>Date:</b>	
Head of School or Department		<b>Date:</b>	

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

<b>Faculty Assessment:</b>		
Criterion:	<b>Score (1 to 7):</b>	<b>7 = outstanding by international standards</b>
Proposal (50%)		<b>6 = excellent</b>
Capacity (25%)		<b>5 = very good</b>
Significance (25%)		<b>4 = good</b>
		<b>3 = marginal</b>
		<b>2 = unsatisfactory</b>
Overall		<b>1 = poor</b>
		<b>These align with the NHMRC project grant category descriptors.</b>
		<b>For significance, for a project to score a 6 or 7 it must clearly align with the CCT strategic direction.</b>

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