



The Public Interest in and Social Licence for the Use of Linked Administrative Data in Therapeutic Development

Call for Proposals

Key Dates

Call for applications	Monday 26 November 2018
Applications close	Monday 21 January 2019
Award announced	9am (AWST) Monday 11 February 2019

Late applications will not be accepted

Introduction

The Population Health Research Network (PHRN) is a nationwide data linkage infrastructure capable of securely and safely managing health and health related information from around Australia. It consists of a network of organisations responsible for operating and expanding the data linkage infrastructure across Australia to enable researchers to access and analyse linked administrative and research data collections.

This research enables health care planners, providers and policy makers to respond more effectively to the changing needs of the Australian population.

Please refer to <https://www.phrn.org.au> for more information.

The PHRN is funded by the Australian Government's National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy and its activities must align with the 2016 National Research Infrastructure Roadmap. A focus of the Roadmap is therapeutic development. This encompasses all stages of the development of new tests, devices and pharmaceuticals from discovery and proof of concept, pre-clinical and clinical phase, to registration and post-market phase.

The PHRN is currently conducting a project to better understand the needs of all stakeholders involved in therapeutic development (government, industry, researchers and the community) and to develop a strategy to successfully engage with this sector. As part of this project we are seeking to fund a short research project on the public interest in and social licence for the use of linked administrative (government) data by private organisations.



Objectives

This grant will provide funds to conduct research which will contribute to the development of a PHRN position on the public interest in private sector organisations access to linked administrative data and the governance requirements for these organisations to access this data.

The PHRN is looking to fund a proposal which includes the following activities:

1. A review of the relevant literature on the public interest in, community attitudes towards and social licence for the use of linked administrative data by private sector organisations for therapeutic development.
2. An exploration of current community attitudes to the use of linked administrative data by private sector organisations for therapeutic development in Australia.
3. The development of case studies or examples of the kinds of therapeutic development research conducted by private sector organisations that is in the public interest.

Eligibility Criteria

Applications will only be accepted from individuals or organisations with demonstrated relevant research and analysis skills and experience.

Applicants should be independent of the therapeutic development sector and have no conflicts of interest.

Selection Criteria

The Selection Panel will take into account the following when assessing the proposals:

- The skills and experience of the research team
- The scientific merit and feasibility of the proposed approach and methods
- The likelihood that proposed outputs will contribute to the development of the PHRN's policy position

Funding

Applications up to the value of \$80,000 (excl GST) will be considered.

Grant Activity Timeframe

6 months

Instructions for lodgement

Applicants should complete the application form and attach a CV or resume for each investigator.

Applications should be emailed to felicity.flack@uwa.edu.au by the closing date.
