



**Monash University
Primary Health Care Research Evaluation and Development (PHCRED)
Program**

Writing Grant Information Form

Funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing

Funding Available:	A Minimum of \$2,000 to a Maximum of \$5,000 per individual
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Aim of writing grants:

Grants are available to candidates in Victoria, who wish to develop their interests and abilities as researchers in primary health care. Researchers will normally receive only one award per academic year. Grants are awarded in line with the published objectives of the Primary Health Care Research Evaluation and Development (PHCRED) program at Monash University. The main aim of the grant scheme is to help individuals develop research and evaluation capacity by writing up a research grant or research journal publication.

Writing Grant payments:

Funding will be paid in 2 instalments based on meeting established project targets. Targets will be established individually for each successful candidate. Funds can only be paid to individuals or organisations with an ABN. Therefore in most cases funds will be paid to an individual's current employer. Grants can be used to provide protected research time and research funding to facilitate research in primary health care. The total value of the grant is inclusive of Goods and Service Tax (GST). For example a \$5,000 grant will include \$500 GST; therefore the total payment awarded will be \$5,500.

Writing grants may be used for a range of purposes, including to:

- Fund protected research time to write a report or a journal article to submit for publication:
 - Write the results of a previously conducted research project, evaluation, trial, or pilot.
 - Write a literature review in order to construct a research protocol.
 - Seek expert opinion(s) to write a research protocol.
- Write a research grant:
 - Develop or work up a grant/project application.
 - Enable a small research group to work together to prepare a proposal or undertake a study.
- Conduct data analysis for the purpose of a report or journal article:
 - Pay consultancy fees for statistical and other advice.
 - Pay for data entry support
 - Cover the costs of access to information, e.g. Inter-library loans, charges for internet searching etc.
 - Provide protected time to write up results of recent studies which have been completed but not yet published.
- Additional research activities, as discussed with Monash University PHCRED Coordinator, e.g.:
 - Attend research training or research methods courses related to developing research and evaluation skills.

Requirements for applicants:

- Submit an application using the provided application form, which will then undergo competitive selection by a panel.
- Projects must be commenced and completed within pre-agreed times between the PHCRED Coordinator and the applicant.
- Projects considered must be within the Monash University PHCRED areas of research, primarily; clinical effectiveness studies in the primary care setting, healthy ageing, mental health and primary care (depression, problem gambling), health informatics in general practice, health services provision and policy, and research translation and primary care.
- Successful applicants will be expected to work with a supervisor allocated from the Monash University senior research staff.
- Successful applicants will be required to present their project or a component of their project at the Annual VicPHCRED conference.