



Dementia, Ageing and Aged Care Mission

Improving quality of life for Australians as they age.

The Dementia, Ageing and Aged Care Mission is a Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) initiative. Under the 10-year investment plan, between 2018-19 and 2028-29, \$185 million will be invested in research to enable older Australians to:

- maintain their health and quality of life as they age
- live independently for longer
- access quality care when they need it.

The Mission aims to generate measurable improvements in the:

- detection, prevention, assessment and treatment of dementia
- care and support for people living with dementia
- increase the average healthy lifespan experienced by senior Australians
- improve consistency of care for senior Australians across all care settings.

To date, \$27 million has been invested across 12 research projects under the Mission, including:

- \$10 million awarded to the Clem Jones Centre for Ageing Dementia Research. This research

Let's change aged care together

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project focuses on the biological roots of neurodegenerative disorders such as Alzheimer's disease (AD).

- \$4 million awarded to the Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health and the University of Melbourne for research on blood testing to predict and identify dementias. The project aims to accelerate the use of blood tests in clinical settings (for example hospitals and memory clinics) that can help to diagnose and predict the onset of AD.

Mission grant round open

Mission grant submissions are now open to support medical research and medical innovation projects that:

- develop interventions to deliver holistic and multidisciplinary care after diagnosis to improve quality of life for people living with dementia and their carers (stream 1)
- conduct implementation research focused on addressing inequalities in uptake of prevention activities to support healthy ageing and quality of life (stream 2)
- enhance utility of neuropsychological tests for dementia (stream 3).

More information

- To find out more about the Dementia, Ageing and Aged Care Mission visit www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/dementia-ageing-and-aged-care-mission.
- To find out more about the current grant opportunity visit www.grants.gov.au and search **GO5553**.