

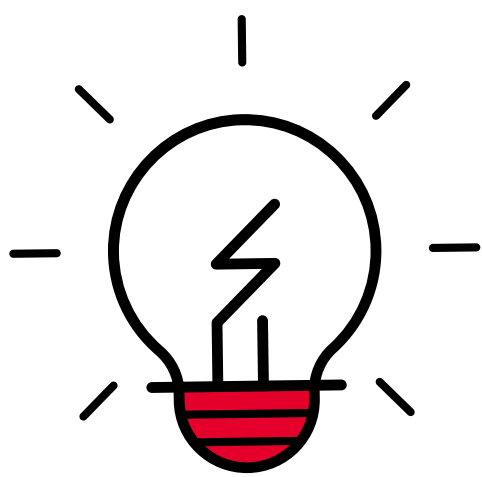
# EMPOWERING RESEARCH FOR A HEALTHY & EQUITABLE AUSTRALIA

2019 Federal Election: ASMR Position

## INVEST 3% OF TOTAL HEALTH EXPENDITURE

Australia's current investment into health and medical research through the NHMRC and MRFF equates to 0.53% of total health expenditure.

ASMR's recommendation is to lift this investment to 3% of total health expenditure.

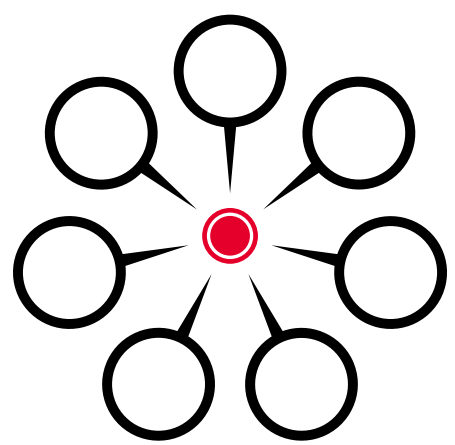


## FULL CAPITALISATION OF THE MRFF

The ASMR seeks commitment to full capitalisation of the MRFF to support research translation and implementation as an integral part of the research pipeline

## PROTECT INTEGRITY OF PEER REVIEW FOR RESEARCH FUNDING

All decisions to award public funds to research should only be made following a rigorous and transparent process of independent expert review of applications, free from any political interference on the awarding of research funds.



## SUPPORT THE OFFICE OF THE NHMRC

To maintain the rigorous grant assessment processes for which the NHMRC is renowned, the budget of the office of the NHMRC should be increased and adequate resourcing provided as needed.

