



Hon Stephen Dawson MLC Minister for Medical Research 12th Floor, Dumas House 2 Havelock Street WEST PERTH WA 6005



Dear Minister

RECOMMENDATION REGARDING FUTURE HEALTH RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FUND PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

Thank you for your letter dated, 20 April 2022, directing the Future Health Research and Innovation (FHRI) Fund Advisory Council to provide recommendations to you on how money standing to the credit of the FHRI Account should be applied during current and future financial years.

As set out in the FHRI Fund Governance Framework, Programs and Initiatives provide the mechanism through which FHRI Account moneys are applied. The Advisory Council notes that in accordance with the *Western Australian Future Health Research and Innovation Fund Act 2012* and the FHRI Fund Governance Framework, Priorities and Programs and Initiatives are subject to the Minister's approval.

The Advisory Council met on 15 February 2022 and resolved to recommend a new Program to the Minister.

Therefore, pursuant to your direction of 20 April 2022, the Advisory Council is pleased to recommend the following Program to the Minister for Medical Research for consideration and approval:

Australian Clinical Entrepreneur Pilot Program (Attachment 1).

The Advisory Council is satisfied that the Department of Health and the Program partners, MTPConnect, have developed this Program appropriately and in alignment with approved Priorities.

Thank you for your support for the FHRI Fund and I look forward to receiving your decision regarding the Initiative the Advisory Council has recommended.

Yours sincerely

John Van Der Wielen

CHAIRPERSON

FUTURE HEALTH RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FUND ADVISORY COUNCIL

3 May 2022

Att 1: FHRI Fund Recommended P&I - ACEPP

NEW 2021/22 Recommended Programs and Initiatives

Programs and Initiatives	Priority alignment	Funding tranches
Australian Clinical Entrepreneur Pilot Program	Enhance skills in innovation (including commercialisation), which will advance the quality and capacity of innovation in WA and help WA innovators to obtain funding to support their work.	