



Australasian Cerebral Palsy Clinical Trials Network (AusCP-CTN CRE) Grant Writing Workshop Thursday 10th – Friday 11th October 2019 Monash Health Translation Precinct

Overview and goals

The AusCP-CTN CRE aims to develop the health and medical research workforce by providing opportunities to advance training of early and mid-career researchers, particularly those with a capacity for independent research and future leadership roles. The 2-day workshop will provide guidance in grant/fellowship writing, grantsmanship, clinical trial design, biostatistics, budgeting, bibliometrics and career development through mentorship, lectures and group/panel discussions. Workshop attendees will be assigned an experienced primary and secondary mentor and will receive individual feedback on their application. This intensive course is based on a successful NIH ERRIS grant writing workshop (previously undertaken by several panel mentors) with attendees achieving a 68% success rate at NIH.



Who should apply?

This workshop is aimed at early to mid-career researchers or clinical trainees in the fields of cerebral palsy, rehabilitation, neonatology and child health research. The goal of the course is to produce a highly competitive funding submission in clinical or pre-clinical research. The applicant will pitch their proposal on the first day and receive comprehensive mentorship and feedback from highly experienced researchers with strong NHMRC track records. Outcome is to produce a submission for an NHMRC (or similar) new investigator grant, new ideas grant, project grant or fellowship (ECF, CDF, RF Investigator Grant). We encourage application from women, minorities, and persons with disabilities. We will make every effort to accommodate individuals with special needs.

Please note: *workshop attendees must bring along a draft copy of their grant application. After acceptance on the workshop the attendee will be allocated a primary and secondary mentor in advance of the workshop commencement.*

Workshop Registration Process and Fees

This is a small interactive workshop so only a limited number of places available. Attendance is via an expression of interest and competitive selection process. Expression of Interest forms were obtained and submitted via the [AusCP-CTN Grant Writing Workshop website](#). The completed expression of interest form and 2 page CV (NHMRC or NIH style) were submitted via the online portal on the website by **29th August**. Registration fees will be \$300 for AusCP-CTN Members and Staff (The University of Queensland, Monash University, and RMIT); \$600 for Standard Registrations.

Workshop Venue & Timeline

The workshop will be held at the Monash Health Translation Precinct; location TBA.

- **29th August:** Deadline for Expression of Interest form and CV submission
- **6th September:** Successful applicants notified and invited to register
- **20th September:** Applicants must confirm acceptance of registration and formally register
- **26th September:** Offer to alternate applicants
- **4th October:** Participants assigned individual mentor/s and should prepare their draft applications (grants/fellowships)
- **10th – 11th October:** Grant Writing Workshop

For further information

For any queries, please contact AusCP-CTN Program Manager Dr Annie Chen at auscpnetwork@uq.edu.au, or our website <https://cre-auscpcn.centre.uq.edu.au/event/811/grantwritingworkshop>.

Grant Writing Workshop Timetable

Thursday 10th October, 2019

08:00 - 08:30	Registration	
08:30 - 09:00	Welcome, Overview, Meet your mentors	Prof. Ros Boyd
09:00 - 09:30	Getting started: deciding what's hot and what's not! Targeting opportunities, planning, collaboration	Prof. Ros Boyd
09:30 - 10:00	Clinical trial design theoretical underpinnings	A/Prof. Michael Fahey
10:00 - 10:30	Framing good/ relevant hypotheses	Prof. David Walker
10:30 - 10:50	<i>Morning tea</i>	
10:50 - 12:30	Proposal development: Meet with mentors: trial design, theoretical underpinning aims & hypotheses, Pilot data for your Experiments	All
12:30 - 13:15	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:15 - 14:00	IMPACT statements	Dr Meredith Downes TBA
14:00 - 15:00	Career goals for you (CV feedback)	All
15:00 - 15:30	<i>Afternoon tea</i>	
15:30 - 16:30	Submitting Investigator Grants to NHMRC – what level, strategies	Nicole Thompson
16:30 - 18:00	Pitch your proposal to mentors (small groups): 15 mins per participant	All
18:30 - 20:00	Group dinner	All
	Dinner speaker: Pitching to philanthropists/trusts/not-for-profits/patient-led funding	?

Friday 11th October

08:00 - 08:30	Grantsmanship secrets	A/Prof. Suzie Miller Prof. Euan Wallace
08:30 - 09:00	Bibliometrics and bench marking	Monash Librarians
09:00 - 10:00	Biostatistics – do's and don'ts	Prof. Rob Ware
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Morning tea</i>	
11:00 - 12:00	Concurrent session: Feedback on bibliometrics and bench marking Concurrent session: Feedback on biostatistics	Monash Librarians Prof. Rob Ware Mark Chatfield
12:00 - 12:30	Research data management: REDCap for randomisation, screening & recruitment and data entry	TBA
12:30 - 13:00	Consumer consultation in research	Prof. Catherine Elliott
13:00 - 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:30 - 15:00	Proposal development: Meet with mentors, feedback on proposals	All
15:00 - 15:30	<i>Afternoon tea</i>	
15:30 - 17:00	Mock grant review / interview with panels	All
17:00 - 17:30	Closing remarks, next steps	Prof. Ros Boyd