

## NHMRC Peer Review Panels – Guidance for Self-nominations

When selecting peer review panel members, NHMRC takes into consideration the [Guiding Principles for Peer Review Panel Membership Nomination and Appointments](#). In addition to these principles, researchers with different levels of expertise and experience are required by different NHMRC funding schemes.

Researchers should reflect on their level of expertise and experience and select the scheme that is most appropriate for their skillset. This will assist NHMRC in selecting the most appropriate peer reviewers for each scheme. Additionally, NHMRC recommends that researchers consult the [NHMRC funding calendar](#) to ensure their availability over the relevant peer review period.

To assist researchers, guidance for considering which funding scheme is most appropriate for self-nomination is provided below:

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- Are you establishing yourself as an independent, self-directed researcher in your field?
  - Do you have a high quality, recent record of achievement with an upward trajectory relative to opportunity?
  - Have you had some experience with peer review (e.g. scholarly or grant peer review)?

You may wish to self-nominate for:

- Postgraduate Scholarships

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- Have you established yourself as an independent, self-directed researcher in a research program or as part of a research team?
  - Do you have a high quality, recent record of achievement relative to opportunity?
  - Are you developing as an internationally competitive researcher in your field?
  - Have you had experience with peer review for NHMRC or equivalent funding agencies?

You may wish to self-nominate for:

- Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies Grants
- Development Grants
- Investigator Grants
- Ideas Grants
- Partnership Projects
- Postgraduate Scholarships
- Synergy Grants

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- Are you an internationally respected researcher in your field?
  - Do you have an outstanding, recent record of achievement relative to opportunity?
  - Do you have a strong record of achievement in competitive peer reviewed research or industry supported research?
  - Do you have extensive experience with peer review for NHMRC or equivalent Australian or international funding agencies?

You may wish to self-nominate for:

- Centres of Research Excellence
- Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies Grants
- Development Grants
- Ideas Grants
- Investigator Grants

- Partnership Projects
  - Synergy Grants
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- Do you have a high quality recent record of achievement in health economics, preventative health research or translation of research into health policy and practice?
- Do you have a record of achievement in competitive peer reviewed research in the health system?
- Have you had experience with peer review for NHMRC or equivalent funding agencies?

You may wish to self-nominate for:

- Centres of Research Excellence
  - Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies Grants
  - Development Grants
  - Ideas Grants
  - Investigator Grants
  - MRFF Targeted Health System and Community Organisation Research grant program
  - Partnership Projects
  - Synergy Grants
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- Are you a clinical researcher, biostatistician, or health economist?
- Are you a clinician with a professional interest and experience in clinical trials or cohort studies research?
- Do you have a strong record of achievement in clinical trials or cohort studies research?
- Do you want to contribute to assessment processes that guide investment in high quality clinical trials or cohort studies research?

You may wish to self-nominate for:

- Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies Grants
  - MRFF Clinical Trials Activity – Rare Cancers, Rare Diseases and Unmet Need grant program
  - MRFF International Clinical Trial Collaborations grant program
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- Do you have at least five years of direct experience in product development within a biotechnology, pharmacology or technology based industry?
- Do you have experience determining if proposed research can be translated to a successful commercial outcome?

You may wish to self-nominate for:

- Development Grants