



innovation, new investigator, PhD scholarship and travel grants

guidelines for applicants

innovation grants

Innovation Grants are open to all researchers and are to support innovative research in areas relevant to people with asthma and their carers, including, but not limited to, basic science, medical, nursing, pharmacy, allied health, health economics, social and community issues.

Project budgets of no more than \$45,000 (GST exclusive) are preferred

new investigator grants

New Investigator Grants provide funds to encourage new researchers (individuals who have NOT previously been named as a Chief Investigator in an accepted national competitive grant).

Project budgets of no more than \$25,000 (GST exclusive) are preferred

asthma research PhD scholarships

Competitive PhD Scholarships are available for university graduates to engage in research in any area relevant to asthma. Grants are based on APA provisions.

Scholarships to the value of \$22,500 (GST exempt) are available

khancoban travel grant

The Khancoban Travel Grant is to support the early development of a young asthma researcher and allows travel to a research institution, scientific meeting or conference.

A grant of up to \$2,000 (inclusive of GST) is available

applications

All applications for funding must be submitted using the relevant 2011 **Innovation Grant**, **New Investigator Grant**, **Asthma Research PhD Scholarship**, or **Khancoban Travel Grant** Application Form – conditions apply.

Current PhD Scholarship holders must use the **Asthma Research PhD Scholarship Renewal** Application Form to renew their PhD Scholarship.

Please email the form as a Word document and provide one original signed hard-copy by mail or in person to the address below.

Research Program Manager
Asthma Foundation NSW

postal: Level 3, 486 Pacific Highway, St Leonards, NSW, 2065

email: researchprogram@asthmafoundation.org.au

Applications must be received on or before **5.00pm Friday 6th August 2010**.

All research funded by Asthma Foundation NSW must be based in NSW & ACT.

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Funding

1. Available funds will be apportioned between Innovation Research Grants, New Investigator Grants and Asthma Research PhD Scholarships, depending on the merit of applications in each category.
2. Innovation Grants with budgets no larger than \$45,000 (excluding GST) are preferred.
3. New Investigator Grants with budgets no larger than \$25,000 (excluding GST) are preferred.
4. Asthma Research PhD Scholarships are based on the Australian Postgraduate Awards provisions.
5. Innovation Grants will not normally supplement the researcher's personal income above standard salary scales applicable to the employing institution.
6. Salary scales for contracted research staff in grant budgets should not exceed those adopted by the NH&MRC in the year of the grant.
7. In addition to the agreed project funds in Innovation and New Investigator Grants, up to \$500/ pa (inclusive of GST) is available for successful applicants to assist them with travel to a an approved conference within Australia.

The Nature of Projects

1. Projects that are commenced and completed within a 12-month period (the year of the grant) are preferred. Other high interest, high quality projects of longer duration may be considered.
2. The project should be an integral study or an identifiable segment within a continuing study. The project should be aimed at producing a separately identifiable item of new information. This aim must be clearly specified.
3. Projects must show a clear relevance to asthma. Applications should describe this relevance in detail and indicate the prospective influence of the research on asthma therapy or management.
4. The Asthma Foundation NSW is keen to foster projects that address scientific, consumer and social factors relevant to asthma.

Assessment

1. All grant applications will be subjected to independent interstate peer review and review by Asthma Foundation NSW's Research Advisory Committee (RAC).
2. Applicants are requested to provide names and addresses of people outside NSW who may be qualified as independent assessors. The applicant(s) must not have undertaken research or other collaboration with the named independent assessor(s) within the last three (3) years. There is no undertaking that nominated persons will be asked for comment.
3. Applicants may also submit names of assessors they would prefer do not assess their application.

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Asthma Research PhD Scholarships

1. Applications are invited from graduates seeking to undertake research in areas related to asthma.
2. Scholarships are tenable for one to three years (or pro rata for part-time scholarships). Applications for renewed funding will be required on an annual basis.
3. Acceptance of the Scholarship is contingent on the Scholarship holder applying annually for other scholarships where eligible; including (at a minimum) Australian Postgraduate/University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards (APA/UPA) and National Health & Medical Research Scholarships.
4. Scholarships are open to Australian citizens or people with permanent resident status.

Applicants

1. New Investigator Applicants will require evidence of qualifications and experience or supervision sufficient to indicate either proven ability, or a potential to undertake and complete the project.
2. All applicants must indicate the availability of their personal time to undertake the project, as specified in the Application Form and throughout the Project's planned duration.
3. All applicants must indicate a willingness to participate personally in reporting on their project work to the media and public, if and when opportunities arise. Applicants must also acknowledge the support of Asthma Foundation NSW at all opportunities.
4. Projects undertaken in a hospital, university or other institution must provide evidence of the approval of the institution for use of facilities and for the financial administration of the project. Funds advanced by the institution against approved grant funds will be claimed retrospectively at agreed intervals, normally half-yearly.
5. It is extremely unlikely that any one applicant either as chief investigator or as collaborating investigator will receive more than one grant in any one year. Multiple applications are therefore discouraged.

Applications

1. Detailed Conditions for all Grants, can be found at www.asthmafoundation.org.au.
2. All applicants must use and complete all aspects of the relevant 2011 Foundation Application Form:
 - [Innovation Grant](#)
 - [New Investigator Grant](#)
 - [Asthma Research PhD Scholarship](#)
 - [Khancoban Travel Grant](#)
3. Applications must be received on or before **5.00pm Friday 6th August 2010**. Late applications will not be considered.
4. All enquiries should be sent by email to researchprogram@asthmafoundation.org.au