## Medical Research Centre for Launceston, Tasmania FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - HEALTH

Parties	Commonwealth
i ul des	Tasmania
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 October 2028.
Purpose	This Schedule supports the establishment of a new medical research centre within the Launceston General Hospital in Tasmania through:
	<ul> <li>the establishment of facilities within the Northern Integrated Care Service building at the Launceston General Hospital</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>providing a non-ongoing contribution to operational costs for the first 5 years of operation from 2023-24.</li> </ul>
	The objectives of the initiative are to:
	<ul> <li>increase access to health research and medical services for rural people in the regional community of Launceston, northern Tasmania and surroundings</li> </ul>
	improve research governance within the Tasmanian Health Service
	<ul> <li>improve research infrastructure to attract and support clinical research in Tasmania</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>enable the Launceston General Hospital to engage with existing national clinical trials networks and leverage the experience and expertise of already established research communities</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>establish a Medical Research Centre at the Launceston General Hospital</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>support the hospital to meet accreditation requirements under the Clinical Trials Governance Framework</li> </ul>

Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to Tasmania of \$4 million in respect of this Schedule.						
	Table 1 (\$ million)	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	Total
	Estimated total budget	2.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	4.0
	Less estimated National Partnership Payments	2.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	4.0
	Note: Tasmania has committed funding to this initiative and may contribute other funding consistent with clause 31 of the Federation Funding Agreement - Health.						
Additional terms	<ul> <li>implementation of the initiative will require engagement with the local community and consultation with appropriate and relevant stakeholders.</li> </ul>						
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Output	Performance milestones		Payment	
Establishment of the Medical Research Centre facility at the Launceston General Hospital	Provision of a Project Plan for the partial refit (construction) of the Northern Integrated Care Service building at the Launceston General Hospital, (consisting of approximately 1,300 square metres including the Medical Research Centre, library, and supporting works), detailing key milestone steps and timeframes through to the delivery and opening of the facility; and including a current status report (including photographic evidence of progress, or excerpts of architectural design as applicable).	Upon Execution	\$2,000,000.00	
	Completion of works evidenced by a Certificate of Practical Completion or a Certificate of Completion	30 April 2025	Nil	
	Confirmation in writing that the Medical Research Centre has commenced operating at the site within the Northern Integrated Care Service building at the Launceston General Hospital	1 September 2025	Nil	
Initial operations of the Medical Research Centre	Provision of an Activity Work Plan (2023-24 to 2027-28) describing how each of the objectives of this agreement (as specified in the 'Purpose' section of the agreement) will be addressed, proposed activities and expected timeframes (including any planned engagement activities with local community and consultation with relevant stakeholders). (Note: Tasmania will advise the Commonwealth as soon as practicable of any	Upon Execution	\$400,000.00	
	significant deviations from the agreed Activity Work Plan).			
	Provision of an Annual Status Report (for the period to 28 February 2025) demonstrating progress against the Activity Work Plan, including summary	1 April 2025	\$400,000.00	

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	information about the Medical Research Centre's initiation of or involvement in research and/or clinical trials (name, brief description of the research/clinical trial, role of the Medical Research Centre) and evidence of engagement activities with local community and consultation with relevant stakeholders during the period.			
	Provision of an Annual Status Report (for the period 1 March 2025 to 28 February 2026) demonstrating progress against the Activity Work Plan, including summary information about the Medical Research Centre's initiation of or involvement in research and/or clinical trials (name, brief description of the research/clinical trial, role of the Medical Research Centre) and evidence of engagement activities with local community and consultation with relevant stakeholders during the period.	1 April 2026	\$400,000.00	
	Provision of an Annual Status Report (for the period 1 March 2026 to 28 February 2027) demonstrating progress against the Activity Work Plan, including summary information about the Medical Research Centre's initiation of or involvement in research and/or clinical trials (name, brief description of the research/clinical trial, role of the Medical Research Centre) and evidence of engagement activities with local community and consultation with relevant stakeholders during the period.	1 April 2027	\$400,000.00	

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	Provision of an Annual Report (for the period 1 March 2027 to 29 February 2028) demonstrating progress against the Activity Work Plan, including summary information about the Medical Research Centre's initiation of or involvement in research and/or clinical trials (name, brief description of the research/clinical trial, role of the Medical Research Centre) and evidence of engagement activities with local community and consultation with relevant stakeholders during the period.	3 April 2028	\$400,000.00
	Provision of a Final Report including an assessment of the establishment and operations of the Medical Research Centre (achievements/challenges, lessons learned) against the objectives of the agreement (as specified in the 'Purpose' section of the agreement).	3 October 2028	Ni

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Honourable Mark Butler MP Minister for Health and Aged Care

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The Honourable Guy Barnett MP Minister for Health

27 May 2024

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