

OzFoodNet Program

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – HEALTH

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Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australia Tasmania Australian Capital Territory Northern Territory																																																																				
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2027.																																																																				
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of OzFoodNet: a national system of enhanced foodborne disease surveillance that provides national capacity to rapidly identify and respond to outbreaks of foodborne disease and provides comprehensive information on foodborne disease.																																																																				
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Additional terms	<p>The Parties agree that for the effective delivery of OzFoodNet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <u>The Commonwealth is responsible for:</u><ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) maintaining an OzFoodNet Central Site, overseen by the Coordinating Epidemiologist, to provide leadership and appropriate support for the OzFoodNet Program;(b) providing the States and Territories with reporting templates to use for reporting and surveillance in relation to this Schedule;(c) maintaining and supporting a nationally coordinated outbreak reporting tool and databases including the OzFoodNet Outbreak Register, national enhanced surveillance systems, and multi-jurisdictional outbreak data sets as necessary;(d) consulting with States and Territories that contributed data prior to publishing national annual reports in the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care's <i>Communicable Diseases Intelligence</i> journal, and on the OzFoodNet website;(e) reproducing, publishing, electronically transmitting, electronically distributing, exploiting, modifying and adapting the data, including regular publication of national annual reports in the <i>Communicable Diseases Intelligence</i> journal, and on the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care's OzFoodNet website; and(f) hosting an OzFoodNet face-to-face meeting (or a video/teleconference if a face-to-face meeting is not appropriate) on a rotating basis with States and Territories (see term 2.(i)).2. <u>The States and Territories are responsible for:</u><ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) maintaining an OzFoodNet Site within the State or Territory, overseen by an epidemiologist or suitably qualified person;(b) all aspects of delivering on the program outputs and milestones as set out in this Schedule as relevant to the role of the States and Territories;(c) undertaking active surveillance of enteric disease and investigation of outbreaks of foodborne or probable foodborne disease;(d) participating in OzFoodNet face-to-face meetings, monthly teleconferences and teleconferences which occur as needed and in line with the <i>Guidelines for the epidemiological investigation of multi-jurisdictional outbreaks that are potentially foodborne</i>;(e) entering data into national enhanced surveillance systems, the Outbreak Register and multi-jurisdictional outbreak data sets;
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- (f) reporting on a fortnightly basis regarding cases and outbreaks of relevant enteric and foodborne diseases occurring in the State or Territory;
- (g) reporting on outbreaks and clusters of relevant foodborne enteric disease occurring in the State or Territory as soon as it becomes apparent that an outbreak of multi-jurisdictional or potential national significance is occurring;
- (h) participating in, or leading where appropriate, multi-jurisdictional outbreak investigations in line with the *Guidelines for the epidemiological investigation of multi-jurisdictional outbreaks that are potentially foodborne*;
- (i) hosting an OzFoodNet face-to-face meeting (or a video/teleconference if a face-to-face meeting is not appropriate) on a rotating basis with other States and Territories and the Commonwealth, with each jurisdiction hosting no more than one face-to-face meeting within the duration of this Schedule;
- (j) where appropriate, supporting the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Foodborne Infections Network and other WHO projects on foodborne disease; and
- (k) assisting the OzFoodNet Central Site in its production of annual reports on disease surveillance activity, including for publication in the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care's *Communicable Diseases Intelligence* journal.

3. The scope of activity under this Schedule relates to enteric diseases that are foodborne or potentially foodborne and that for the purposes of this Schedule:

- (a) Enteric disease means communicable or infectious diseases affecting the gastrointestinal tract including:
 - i. nationally notifiable diseases (botulism; campylobacteriosis; cholera; cryptosporidiosis; haemolytic uraemic syndrome; hepatitis A; hepatitis E; listeriosis; salmonellosis; Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* infection; shigellosis; typhoid and paratyphoid);
 - ii. enteric communicable diseases which become nationally notifiable and notifiable in the relevant State or Territory during the duration of this Schedule; and
 - iii. for the purposes of foodborne or probable foodborne outbreak investigations only any other enteric communicable diseases as agreed by the Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA).

(b) Foodborne diseases outbreaks means outbreaks of communicable or infectious enteric diseases.

- i. An outbreak of foodborne disease means an incident where two or more persons experience a similar illness after consuming a common food or meal and analytical epidemiological evidence and/or microbiological evidence implicates the meal or food as the source of illness, or in the absence of analytical and/or microbial evidence, the aetiology of the outbreak can only result through foodborne transmission (for example *Listeria monocytogenes*, ciguatera fish poisoning), and which was reported in the State or Territory during the specified reporting period.
- ii. Probable foodborne outbreaks are those in which two or more persons experience a similar illness after consuming a common food or meal and compelling descriptive epidemiological evidence implicates the meal or food as the suspected source of illness, including outbreaks where the mode of transmission is suspected to be from an ill food handler to food to person, which were reported in the State or Territory during the specified reporting period.
- iii. Multi-jurisdictional outbreaks are those which involve more than one state or territory as defined in the Guidelines for the epidemiological investigation of multi-jurisdictional outbreaks that are potentially foodborne.
- iv. It is recognised that there are other sources of enteric disease, including waterborne, environmental, person-to-person and zoonotic.

(c) The OzFoodNet Outbreak Register is a national dataset managed by OzFoodNet Central for the collation of information from States and Territories on foodborne and other relevant enteric disease clusters and outbreaks.

(d) National enhanced surveillance systems refer to the National Enhanced Listeriosis Surveillance System, the Enhanced Hepatitis A Surveillance System and any new enhanced surveillance systems agreed to by all OzFoodNet sites.

(e) Multi-jurisdictional outbreak data sets refer to the repository of data against questionnaires developed during CDNA endorsed multi-jurisdictional outbreak investigations.

(f) Site is an operational adjunct to the current jurisdictional surveillance resourcing and infrastructure that identifies and responds to multi-jurisdictional outbreaks of foodborne or potentially foodborne disease and that collects, collates, manages

and coordinates the transfer of information across and within jurisdictions for the purposes of contributing to the provision of national data on the reported incidence of enteric diseases and foodborne or potentially foodborne disease outbreaks.

(g) OzFoodNet Annual Reports and data as indicated in Table 2 are to include:

- i. a workplan outlining staffing and planned activities that contribute to the national operation of OzFoodNet for the following 12 month period and reporting against any previous workplan. Planned activities may include activities such as the development or review of national protocols, questionnaires, case definitions, and other national projects;
- ii. other activity during the year outside that described in the workplan under term 3.(g)i.;
- iii. a summary including a description of the conduct, benefits and outcomes of OzFoodNet in the State or Territory for the year;
- iv. relevant public health actions within the scope of this Schedule;
- v. an analysis of the incidence and cause of foodborne and relevant enteric disease, including patterns in regards to age, sex, seasonal and geographical spread as appropriate, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status and place of acquisition for priority enteric diseases;
- vi. confirmation of completion of entry of enteric disease outbreaks (including foodborne and probable foodborne, and where appropriate waterborne, probable waterborne, environmental, probable environmental, zoonotic or probable zoonotic outbreaks) in the Outbreak Register for the previous calendar year by the time of submission of the Annual Report;
- vii. confirmation of completion of national enhanced surveillance systems as soon as practical as information becomes available;
- viii. confirmation of completion of multi-jurisdictional outbreak data as soon as practical during the course of the relevant investigations;
- ix. a description and summary table on relevant enteric disease outbreaks (including foodborne, probable foodborne, waterborne, probable waterborne, environmental, probable environmental, zoonotic or probable zoonotic);
- x. a summary of cluster investigations, where relevant to foodborne disease surveillance; and
- xi. other information as agreed to between the Commonwealth and States and Territories by OzFoodNet Sites.

Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
A national system of foodborne disease surveillance as set out in the Additional Terms section of Table 1, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• an OzFoodNet Central Site;• OzFoodNet Sites within each State or Territory; and• active surveillance of enteric diseases and the investigation of foodborne or probable foodborne disease outbreaks.	Commonwealth acceptance of the State or Territory's OzFoodNet Annual Report (including workplan) and data as per Additional Terms 3.(g), covering the period 1 January 2024 – 31 December 2024.	30/04/2025	100% of 2024-25 allocation in accordance with Table 1.1
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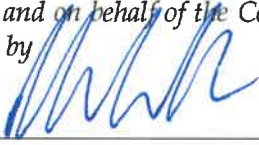
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