RSO - NHMRC CRE Scheme Summary

Purpose: to support collaborative research which aims to improve health outcomes and promote/or improve translation of research outcomes into policy and/or practice and researchers in capacity building activities in three streams:
- CREs in Clinical Research
- CREs in Population Health Research
- CREs in Health Services Research.

For: for research teams of up to ten Chief Investigators (CIs)

Scheme Objectives:
- support the conduct and development of innovative, high quality, collaborative research
- promote effective translation of research into health policy and/or practice
- foster and build capacity in the health and medical research workforce
- provide opportunities to expand and improve collaborations between research teams

Assessment Criteria:
1. Generate new knowledge that leads to improved health outcomes (20%)
2. Promote effective transfer of research outcomes into health policy and/or practice (20%)
3. Develop the health and medical research workforce by providing opportunities to advance the training of new researchers, particularly those with a capacity for independent research and future leadership roles (20%)
4. Facilitate collaboration (20%)
5. Record of Research and Translation Achievement - relative to opportunity (20%)

Applications are assessed whether the meet the scheme objectives using the above criteria.

Applications are also assessed relative to opportunity; taking into consideration any career disruptions.

Indigenous Health applications must also address the Indigenous Research Excellence Criteria.

Eligibility:
CIA:
- must be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, a permanent resident of Australia or have an appropriate work visa (at the time of acceptance and for the grant duration)
- be Australian based for at least 80% of the funding period
- be employed by or be appointed to an academic position by the Administering Institution (AI). Where CIA is employed by more than one AI, then the grant must be administered by the AI with the more substantial employment contract.

All Chief Investigator (CIs):
- must have fulfilled obligations from previous NHMRC grants

Grant Duration: five years

Funding limit: up to $2.5M for each Centre

Funding for: Salaries (but not for AIs or overseas based CIs), Other Direct Research Costs, Equipment ($80K limit)

Success rates:

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As there were no new applications for CREs in 2010, the above data includes data from 2009.