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With your help, we can support psychiatrists to drive new discoveries in psychiatry and improve evidence-based practice.

Introducing the RANZCP Foundation

Message from Associate Professor John Allan, 2019-21 RANZCP President

As medical doctors who are experts in mental health, psychiatrists specialise in diagnosing and treating people with mental illness. As a collective group, we hold a strong desire to drive improvements and innovations in the mental health sector to deliver high quality services and care. One of the best ways we can make a difference is through undertaking world-class psychiatric research and other initiatives.

Psychiatrists are extremely well placed to lead and advocate for improvements in the mental health of our communities. That’s why the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP) has established the RANZCP Foundation — an expression of how our College will pursue our shared vision to raise funds that support research, clinical work, and initiatives that will make a positive change in psychiatry and the mental health of our communities. The RANZCP Foundation’s activities would not be possible without the generous contributions of our donors and supporters.

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100% of your donation will go to funding grants

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What we do

The RANZCP is committed to growing the RANZCP Foundation to foster psychiatry training and research. We do this by providing grants and scholarships for RANZCP members to undertake new and innovative research projects in a range of areas within psychiatry — and the Foundation is actively expanding the range of activities it supports.

To find out more about the grants currently offered, and how these have already helped our researchers, contact Sam Dipnall, Manager, Membership Development, RANZCP on (03) 9236 9107 or by email at sam.dipnall@ranzcp.org.

Realising our potential in psychiatric research for communities

Our leadership in psychiatric research can have a lasting and positive impact on the mental health of our communities both locally and regionally. With your support, in the future the RANZCP Foundation aims to provide:

- An increased number of Early Research Career Grants
- New Investigator Grants, particularly aimed at trainees and junior researchers, for small-scale projects
- Outreach Grants or non-research funding for groups or individuals to assist with specific needs
- Initiatives to support Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Māori trainees and medical students
- Initiatives to support psychiatry and mental health in Pacific Island nations
- Other specialised grants linked to specific sub-specialty areas, in partnership with facilities and Section funding initiatives, for specific donations and bequests
- A mid-career researcher grant.

New strategic partnership opportunities

The RANZCP Foundation can facilitate a range of innovative new strategic partnerships with all areas of philanthropy, business, government, health associations, or stakeholders to fund research grants and joint projects that benefit all partners.

Bequests and gifts

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