

## Northern Territory paediatrician honoured with Menzies Medallion

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Long-term Northern Territory paediatrician, Professor Peter Morris has been awarded the prestigious Menzies Medallion.

Presented with the award at the Menzies School of Health Research (Menzies) Oration tonight, Professor Morris was recognised for his significant contribution to improving child health in the Northern Territory through paediatric health service delivery and research.

The breadth and depth of Prof Morris's work over the years is far reaching and includes his role as Director of Paediatrics at Royal Darwin Hospital, working as a visiting paediatrician to remote communities, leading important research into interventions for childhood conditions as the deputy head of the child health division at Menzies, and teaching medical students through the Northern Territory Medical Program.

Menzies Director Professor Alan Cass was thrilled the award was presented to such a deserving advocate of child health.

"I am delighted to see Prof Peter Morris receive this year's medallion. Peter has worked tirelessly to improve child health in the NT through his clinical work at the Royal Darwin Hospital and research here at Menzies for many years.

"Peter is a strong advocate for evidence-based practice. Some of his most valued work has been his research into improving the treatment of ear disease and anaemia in Indigenous children.

"Accessible and high quality primary health care is vital to Closing the Gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous health outcomes and Peter's work plays a critical role in this," Prof Cass said.

The Menzies Medallion is the highest award offered by the Menzies School of Health Research.

For more information about Prof Peter Morris, visit the [Menzies website](#).

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### Menzies background

Menzies School of Health Research is one of Australia's leading medical research institutes dedicated to improving Indigenous, global and tropical health. Menzies has a history of over 30 years of scientific discovery and public health achievement. Menzies works at the

frontline, joining with partners across the Asia-Pacific as well as Indigenous communities across northern and central Australia. Menzies collaborates to create new knowledge, grow local skills and find enduring solutions to problems that matter.