**2018 Hot North Pilot Projects – Round 4**

**Pilot Project Summary**

Amount: $36,500

Duration: 6 - 12 months

**Application closing date**

13 April 2018

**About Hot North**

Improving Health Outcomes in the Tropical North: A multidisciplinary collaboration (HOT NORTH) was awarded to Menzies School of Health Research by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) under the *Northern Australia Tropical Disease Collaborative Research Programme*. This collaboration with other key research institutes across Australia (Telethon Kids Institute, James Cook University, Doherty Institute, Marie Bashir Institute, Burnet Institute, South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute, QIMR Berghofer) aims to strengthen partnerships to undertake research into the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of tropical diseases and Indigenous health disadvantage. The program is centered on five research themes: skin health, respiratory health, antimicrobial resistance, chronic diseases, and vector borne and emerging diseases. The collaboration will facilitate the translation of research findings into positive health outcomes in Northern Australia and the region, with a focus on health policy and practice.

**Hot North Pilot Projects**

A strong component of the collaboration is to build new research capability and capacity which includes the development of projects supporting the aims of HOT NORTH. In order to do this, the program offers competitive research funding for pilot projects, each focused on one of the five key research themes. Pilot project applications will be competitively assessed for quality, innovation, potential impact, and likelihood of attracting further funding. Pilot projects will provide preliminary data which will be evaluated for potential scale up and knowledge advancement in one of the five research themes. Successful applications will be awarded at up to $36,500 for 6-12 months from July 2018 or on commencement.

**Application guidelines**

* A HOT NORTH Chief Investigator or Associate Investigator must be an investigator on the project.
* For projects that will be conducted in and/or involve Western Australia participants, applicants are required to consult with the WA HOT NORTH Coordinator, Ms. Kristen White (please see contact details below).
* Read the Instructions to Applicants and Terms and Conditions prior to completing this application form.
* Complete the application in 12 point font, using single line spacing.
* Adhere to the maximum word limits.
* Read the NHMRC Indigenous Research Excellence Criteria available at <https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/book/nhmrc-funding-rules-2017/6-assessment-criteria>.
* Complete the application electronically.
* Submit your application by the closing date by email to the contact noted below.
* The Pilot Project scheme is administered by Menzies. Individual grants will be administered by the Institution of the relevant CI/AI on the project, with project funds transferred to this Institution by Menzies.
* The full amount of the grant is to be spent directly on the project. Institutional indirect costs cannot be claimed.
* Project budgets must be approved by the relevant business manager at your institution.

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**Hot North Pilot Project**

**Application Form**

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| **Section 1 – Chief investigator** |
| **Chief investigator name:** |  |
| **Current appointment(s):** |  |
| **Current institution:** |  |
| **Current contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |
| **Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?** | [ ]  Aboriginal [ ]  Torres Strait Islander[ ]  Both [ ]  Neither |
| **Other relevant information:***\*100 words maximum* |  |

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| **Section 2 – Other investigators** |
| *\*At least one HOT NORTH Chief Investigator or Associate Investigator must be an investigator on the project*. |
| **Investigator name:** |  |
| **Current appointment(s):** |  |
| **Current institution:** |  |
| **Current contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |
| **Role on the project:***\*100 words maximum* |  |
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| **Investigator name:** |  |
| **Current appointment(s):** |  |
| **Current institution:** |  |
| **Current contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |
| **Other relevant information:***\*100 words maximum* |  |
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| **Investigator name:** |  |
| **Current appointment(s):** |  |
| **Current institution:** |  |
| **Current contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |
| **Role on the project:***\*100 words maximum* |  |
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| **Investigator name:** |  |
| **Current appointment(s):** |  |
| **Current institution:** |  |
| **Current contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |
| **Role on the project:***\*100 words maximum* |  |
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| **Investigator name:** |  |
| **Current appointment(s):** |  |
| **Current institution:** |  |
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| **Current institution:** |  |
| **Current contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |
| **Role on the project:***\*100 words maximum* |  |

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| **Section 3 –Invoicing institution** |
| *\*This must be the institution of the HOT NORTH CI or AI named at section 2.* |
| **Institution:** |  |
| **Research Office / Finance Department contact:** |  |
| **Contact details:** Address Phone Email |  |

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| **Section 4 – Project details** |
| **Scientific project title:** |  |
| **Project location:** |  |
| **Lay project title:** |  |
| **Lay project description:***\*Suitable for use on a web site.**\*300 words maximum.* |  |
| **Relevant Hot North research theme(s):** |  |
| **Relevance of project to research theme(s):***\*350 words maximum.* |  |
| **Links with existing grants:***\*funder and reference number* |  |
| **This project requires clearance from a Human Research Ethics Committee** | [ ]  Yes, already approved [ ]  Yes, application to be submitted[ ]  No |
| **Future funding:** Provide details of the further funding for which you will apply during the pilot to continue the research in the future.*\*½ page maximum.* |
| **Project**Please provide a brief summary of your proposed project under the subheadings: Background/Rationale; Aims and Hypotheses; Research plan (including methods); Significance and Innovation; Expected Outcomes*\*2 pages maximum.* |
| **Criteria for Australian Indigenous Health Research:***\*If applicable – please check with the relevant HOT NORTH Theme Leader and the HOT NORTH CI/AI listed on this application. Uncertainties may be referred to the Chair of the Indigenous Governance Committee.* *\*1 page maximum.*Community engagementBenefitSustainability and transferabilityBuilding capability |
| **References:***\*1 page maximum.* |
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| **Section 5 – Budget** |
| Add rows as required.*\*$36,500 maximum**\*1 page maximum* |
| **Expense type** | **Detail** | **Amount** |
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| **Section 6 – Timeline** |
| Please provide a timeline of project activities.*\*6-12 months maximum**\*1 page maximum* |
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| **Section 7 – Declarations** |
| **Declaration by applicant:**I declare that to the best of my knowledge, the information supplied herein is correct and complete. I acknowledge that the submission of incorrect or incomplete information may result in a cancellation of approved funding at any stage. I recognise that it is my responsibility to provide all necessary documentary evidence of my qualifications and experience, and authorise HOT NORTH to conduct reference checks if required. I understand that if awarded this pilot project, I will be required to actively participate in HOT NORTH activities and to observe the HOT NORTH ethos of capacity building and improving the health of people in northern Australia, and adhere to the terms and conditions of this pilot project award.**I confirm that I have:** | Name:Signature:Date:**[ ]** Read the Pilot Project Terms and Conditions.[ ]  Obtained all required signatures.[ ]  Referred to the start of this document for submission requirements. |
| **Declaration by named HOT NORTH CI or AI:**I declare that I have agreed to participate in the project detailed above and that I have sufficient time to devote to the project.  | Name: Signature: Date:  |
| **Declaration by business manager:**I declare that the budget as proposed is appropriate to deliver the proposed outputs. I declare that sufficient resources are available at the named institution to complete the project. | Name: Signature: Date:  |