Key strategic objective 1

Data as a national resource

Harnessing the transformative power of data to accelerate advances in health

PROJECT	RESEARCH AUSTRALIA ACTIONS	SECTOR OUTCOMES	TIMING	IMPACTS AND INFLUENCES
A report on the data environment for health and medical researchers				
Research Australia is proud to partner with the Capital Markets CRC to develop a report examining the data environment for health and medical researchers. This report will build on work undertaken by the Productivity Commission's Inquiry on Data Availability and Use. Alongside this report is a blog for the HMR community which looks at the challenges and opportunities for health and medical researchers in accessing health data. Further information is available here: www.flyingblind.cmrc.com	Encouraging the policy settings for efficiently shared, linked and secured data for research with systems that speak to each other.	Legislative / policy settings that promote better links between existing data sets.	Flying Blind Blog launched May 2017 Flying Blind vol.2 due for release late 2017	Policymakers and advisers Researchers Data custodians Universities
Health consumers data lake				
Research Australia will bring together health consumers, researchers and medical technology entities to fill a 'lake' of deidentified data from Australians of all ages and a range of health problems (or no health problems at all). Health and medical researchers will be invited to dive in, or take samples from the lake.	Educating consumers on how wellbeing can be advanced with technology and data e.g. wearables and e-health records.	Raised community awareness and acceptance of the value and sharing of data and its link to better health outcomes through research. Quality public discourse about the benefits for consumers in sharing their health data with researchers, practitioners and clinicians. A better understanding of consumers' concerns and needs in sharing data for the purposes of health and medical research.	Project scoping currently underway Partners identified by end 2017	Consumer health organisations Researchers Data custodians Healthcare service providers General public



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Key strategic objective 2

Embedding research in Australia's health system

Evidence-based healthcare driven by the best research

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A whole-of-sector view of clinical trials reform	_			
There are various government and industry initiatives underway to improve the clinical trials environment in Australia. As the convener of the entire research pipeline, Research Australia is uniquely positioned to provide a high-level, strategic view of the various reforms and initiatives and influence their efficacy. Through detailed sectoral consultation, and in partnership with other key peak bodies in this space, we are looking to develop a whole-of-sector position on the further clinical trials reforms that are required and the role Government and industry should play in these reforms.	Developing and advocating the sector- wide positions on government policies and incentives required to support better integration of clinical care and health and medical research. Championing the late translational work, including investigator-lead clinical trials, which are driving evidence-based improvements to healthcare delivery.	A health system better able to adopt changes in clinical practice as new evidence comes to light. An improved clinical trials environment driving evidence-based change in the health system and new commercial opportunities.		Health corporates Health and medical research institutes Consumer health organisations Rural and regional health Policymakers and advisers

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Key strategic objective 3

Smarter investment in health and medical research

Balancing resources with need, capacity and opportunity

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Documenting the Research Pipeline				
This project draws on our unique convening power to unify participants across the research pipeline and develop a single 'source of truth' to show how HMR is undertaken. Research Australia will document the full research pipeline from fundamental research through to the patient and the marketplace. This online resource will highlight the funders, researchers, regulators and end users along the way.	Advocating for better alignment of existing sources of health and medical research. Championing commercialisation of Australian research.	Funding is accessible to researchers in a timely manner at all points along the health and medical research pipeline. Researchers better understand the pathway to commercialisation so that the outcomes of research are maximised to deliver both health and economic benefit to the nation.	Sector consultation underway Draft pipeline released for comment by end 2017	Stakeholders across the whole of the health and medical research pipeline
The Research Australia Health Economics Roundtable				
Research Australia is connecting a community of health economics experts with health and medical researchers so that together we can develop the arguments and evidence that support smarter investment in health and medical research.	Promoting the economic value of health and medical research.	The returns on investing in health and medical research – both economic and in terms of improved health outcomes – are understood and acknowledged through continued funding streams.	First Roundtable discussion August 2017 Economic questions identified for research by end 2017	Health corporates Researchers Health and medical research funders (public and private) Policymakers and advisers Health service providers



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