

## **2007 Grants success**

Members of the School of Public Health and its constituent and affiliated centres continue to enjoy impressive success rates with NHMRC grants and fellowships, and in 2007 have added three Australian Research Council (ARC) grants to their tally.

2007 grant successes are listed below (alphabetically according to first named Chief Investigator from the School of Public Health). Total grants awarded in 2007 that will be administered through the SPH comes to over \$9 million.

### ***NHMRC Population Health Capacity Building grants:***

- **A/Prof Jonathan Craig, Dr Alan Cass, Prof Les Irwig, S Chadban, S McDonald, J Devitt, Petra Macaskill, Dr Mike Jones, Kirsten Howard, A/Prof Glenn Salkeld**  
\$2,465,750m from 2007-2011  
*Improving population health by a multidisciplinary, multi-method focus on kidney disease of the young, the old and of Indigenous Australians.*
- **A/Prof Sandra Eades (Sax Institute), Sandra Bailey, Prof Sally Redman, Cate D'Este, John Kaldor and Phyllis Butow et al.**  
\$2,317,125 from 2007- 2011  
*Making a difference: building research capacity for health interventions to improve Aboriginal health.*

### ***NHMRC Strengthening Australia's Social Fabric Program:***

- **Prof Adrian Bauman, A/Prof Deborah Schofield, Prof John Beard, Prof Don Nutbeam et al.**  
\$1.8m from 2007-2011  
*Understanding the impact of social, economic and geographic disadvantage on the health of Australians in mid - later life: what are the opportunities for prevention?*

### ***Cancer Institute NSW Health Services Research Grant:***

- **Dr Jane Young, Professor Phyllis Butow, Professor Michael Solomon, Associate Professor Glenn Salkeld and K White et al.**  
\$1.4million from 2007-2009  
*Improving the patient journey: randomised controlled trial of centralised 'remote access' cancer care coordination (CRACCC) to improve processes and outcomes of care.*

### ***NHMRC Project Grants:***

- **Prof Bruce Armstrong**, Dr Michael Fenech, Ms Peta Forder  
\$395,662 from 2007-2009  
*A polypill to prevent genome damage.*
- **Prof Bruce Armstrong**, Dr May-Anne Kedda, **Mr David Smith**, A/Prof Suzanne Steginga, **Dr Anne Krickler**, Dr Michael Kimlin  
\$468,012 from 2007-2009  
*Sun exposure, vitamin D and the outcome of prostate cancer.*
- Prof Paul Mitchell, Dr Jie Jin Wang, **Prof Robert Cumming**, Prof Wayne Smith, Prof Philip Newall, **Prof Steve Leeder**  
\$794,975 from 2007-2009  
*Blue Mountains Cohort Study: Long-term (15-year) incidence of eye disease, hearing loss and other public health outcomes.*
- Ms Anna Williamson, Prof Mark Dadds, **Prof Sandra Eades**, Dr John Daniels, Prof Beverley Raphael, **Prof Sally Redman**  
\$376,375 from 2007-2009  
*Determining the clinical validity of the Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire SDQ amongst urban Aboriginal children.*
- A/Prof Alan Clough, Prof Rob Sanson Fisher, Prof Bob Gibberd, **Prof Sandra Eades**, **A/Prof Kate Conigrave**  
\$1,105,450 from 2007-2009  
*Interventions to reduce smoking in five Aboriginal communities in Arnhem Land.*
- A/Prof Grantley Gill, Dr Neil Wetzig, **A/Prof Val Gebski**, A/Prof Owen Ung, Mr Ian Campbell, Dr David Oliver  
\$235,613 from 2007-2009  
*SNAC1: A randomised trial of sentinel node based management versus axillary clearance for women with small breast cancers.*
- **Prof Anthony Keech**, A/Prof Alicia Jenkins, Prof Stefan Blankenberg, Dr David Sullivan  
\$894,800 from 2007-2009  
*Biomarkers and genetic determinants of cardiovascular risk in diabetes: the FIELD Study.*
- **A/Prof Michael Levy & Dr Elizabeth Sullivan**  
\$299,000 from 2007-2009  
*Investigating the association between incarceration while pregnant and maternal and infant outcomes.*

- **Dr Kirsten McCaffery, A/Prof Alex Barratt, A/Prof Judy Simpson, Prof Don Nutbeam, Dr Lyndal Trevena & Prof Les Irwig**  
\$229,500 from 2007-2009  
*A randomised controlled trial of a bowel cancer screening decision aid for adults with low education and literacy.*
- **Dr Christine Roberts, A/Prof Judy Simpson, Dr Jane Ford, Dr Jennifer Bowen, Dr Lee Taylor, Dr Natasha Nassar**  
\$329,625 from 2007-2009  
*Does place of birth influence a healthy start to life?*
- **Dr Cathie Sherrington, Prof Robert Cumming, A/Prof Stephen Lord, Dr Jacqueline Close, Dr Catherine Dean, Dr Constance Vogler**  
\$516,875 from 2007-2009  
*Minimising disability and falls in older people through a post-hospital individualised exercise program.*

#### ***ARC grants:***

- **CR MacIntyre; AJ Plant; RE Watkins.**  
\$340,000 from 2007-2009  
*Who acquires infection from whom across international borders? New approaches for control of emerging infections through understanding travel patterns.*
- **Dr E Doran; Prof D Henry; A/Prof G Salkeld; Dr J Robertson**  
\$332,000 from 2007-2009  
*Moral Hazard and the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.*
- **A/Prof DJ Schofield; Dr ME Passey; Mr A Earnest; (USYD)**  
A/Prof R Percival; A/Prof SJ Kelly (NATSEM)  
\$717,000 from 2007-2009  
*Economic impacts of disease on older workers: Costs to government and individuals and opportunities for intervention.*

#### ***University of Sydney Cancer Research Fund Award***

- **Professor Phyllis Butow, Dr Barbara Mullen, Byeongsang Oh et al.**  
\$98,7965 from 2007-2008  
*Brain-body interaction; Randomised controlled trial of physical activity (Medical Qigong) for cancer patients.*