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1. About the grant

The purpose of the grant opportunity is to provide Primary Health Networks (PHNs) with grant funding to support primary health care access by CALD communities. The grant funding must address the challenges and barriers some people from CALD backgrounds face when accessing primary health care. The grant funding must address gaps in primary health service arrangements, barriers to accessing these services and improve services integration within their PHN regions.

The activities funded through this grant opportunity will contribute to the achievement of the Department of Health's Portfolio Budget Statement Outcome 2, Health Access and Support Services, specifically Program 2.5 Primary Health Care Quality and Coordination.

The grant also contributes to the achievement of the 54 performance indicators across the key priority areas in the [Framework](#).

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- commission services to support primary health care access by people from CALD backgrounds where there are limited or no services available in the local community through addressing service gaps in the PHN region;
- identify and support services for people from CALD backgrounds where it is demonstrated that there are challenges and barriers to accessing and navigating primary care services;
- promote coordination between services at a local level and support local service providers in having the skills and systems to provide effective care that integrates with a patient's usual primary care provider.

The intended outcomes of the grant opportunity are to:

- increased primary care access by people from CALD backgrounds;
- increased the efficiency, effectiveness and navigability of primary health care services for people from CALD background;
- improved planning, coordination and support for primary health care services

To improve primary care access, PHNs should:

- coordinate with stakeholders,
- commission services to overcome the gap in services and barriers to primary health care.

We administer the grant opportunity according to the [Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines](#) (CGRGs).

2. Grant amount and grant period

In the 2023-24 Budget, the Australian Government has announced a total of \$20,210,000 over 2 years (2023-24-2024-25) for the [Multicultural Access Program](#).

For this grant opportunity up to \$10,000,000 is available for 1 year, over the 2023-24 financial year.

Table 1: Grant Opportunity Funding Available (GST exclusive)

| 2023-24 FY \$ M | Total \$ M |
|--------------------|---------------|
| 10 | 10 |

You must complete your grant activity by [30 June 2024](#).

3. The grant selection process

This grant opportunity has been established as a one-off or ad hoc grant. The department considers that this is an appropriate type of selection process considering there is urgent need for the PHNs to be able to continue the provision of services for improving access to primary care by vulnerable populations.

Grants under the PHN Multicultural Access Program are limited to existing PHNs only. This is in keeping with the intent of the program to provide a national network of regional organisations that commission and integrate services at the local level to address identified needs and provide support and system level integration for health services to improve coordination of care for patients.

PHNs are individual, not-for-profit organisations selected through an open competitive process in 2014-15 to deliver the PHN Program. PHNs must meet the requirements of the grant agreement and are required to demonstrate their performance against the PHN [Program Performance and Quality Framework](#), which is assessed annually. The yearly performance assessment determines the continuation of grant funding to each PHN.

3.1 Eligibility criteria

To be eligible, you must be one of the 31 PHNs listed below and have received an invitation to apply from the department.

Table 2: Eligible organisation/s

| PHN | Legal Name of Organisation | ABN |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Central and Eastern Sydney | EIS Health Limited | 68 603 815 818 |
| Northern Sydney | SNPHN LTD | 38 605 353 884 |

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| Western Sydney | Wentwest Limited | 80 099 255 106 |
| Nepean Blue Mountains | Wentworth Healthcare Limited | 88 155 904 975 |
| South Western Sydney | South Western Sydney Primary Health Network Ltd | 74 605 441 067 |
| South Eastern NSW | Coordinare Limited | 27 603 799 088 |
| Western NSW | Western Health Alliance Limited | 59 605 922 156 |
| Hunter New England and Central Coast | HNECC Limited | 51 604 341 362 |
| North Coast | Healthy North Coast Ltd | 18 154 252 132 |
| Murrumbidgee | FirstHealth Limited | 15 111 520 168 |
| North Western Melbourne | Melbourne Primary Care Network Limited | 93 153 323 436 |
| Eastern Melbourne | Eastern Melbourne Healthcare Network Ltd | 13 603 658 895 |
| South Eastern Melbourne | South Eastern Melbourne Primary Health Network Ltd | 65 603 858 751 |
| Gippsland | Gippsland Health Network Limited | 52 155 514 702 |
| Murray | Murray PHN Limited | 92 156 423 755 |
| Western Victoria | Western Victoria Primary Health Network Limited | 87 061 300 918 |
| Brisbane North | Partners 4 Health Limited | 55 150 102 257 |
| Brisbane South | Brisbane South PHN Ltd | 53 151 707 765 |
| Gold Coast | Primary Care Gold Coast Limited | 47 152 953 092 |
| Darling Downs and West Moreton | Darling Downs and West Moreton Primary Health Network Ltd | 51 605 975 602 |
| Western Queensland | Western Queensland Primary Care Collaborative | 86 604 686 660 |
| Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Sunshine Coast | Sunshine Coast Health Network Ltd | 21 156 526 706 |

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|---------------------|---|----------------|
| Northern Queensland | North Queensland Primary Healthcare Network Ltd | 35 605 757 640 |
| Adelaide | Adelaide Primary Health Network Limited | 18 155 472 067 |
| Country SA | SA Rural Health Network Limited | 27 152 430 914 |
| Perth North | WA Primary Health Alliance Limited | 11 602 416 697 |
| Perth South | WA Primary Health Alliance Limited | 11 602 416 697 |
| Country WA | WA Primary Health Alliance Limited | 11 602 416 697 |
| Tasmania | Primary Health Tasmania Limited | 47 082 572 629 |
| Northern Territory | Health Network Northern Territory Ltd | 17 158 970 480 |
| ACT | Capital Health Network Ltd | 82 098 499 471 |

The Australian Government's May 2023 Budget [endorsed](#) the PHN Multicultural Access Program to support primary care access by culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities.

The PHNs were selected in 2014-15 by the Australian Government through an open competitive funding round. PHNs are independent, not-for-profit, regionally based organisations. They have responsibility for undertaking data analysis and working with local communities, clinicians, service providers and state and local governments to identify and prioritise the health care needs of the population in their region. They commission health services to meet the prioritised health care needs of their communities.

As regionally based commissioning organisations, the Australian Government may also provide funding to PHNs to commission other primary health care services, or provide sector support in the delivery of trials, time-limited activities or the implementation of programs to support specific priorities identified by government.

The PHN Program aims to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of medical services for patients, particularly those at risk of poor health outcomes, and improve coordination of care to ensure patients receive the right care in the right place at the right time.

You are not eligible to participate if you are an organisation, or your project partner is an organisation, included on the [National Redress Scheme's website](#) on the list of 'Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme'.

3.2 Eligible grant activities

The Australian Government has agreed to the following activities receiving funding through PHNs. Services commissioned by PHNs should be high quality, innovative, locally relevant and clinically and cost effective primary health care. They should be based on community

need as identified in PHN Needs Assessments and take into account a systems view of primary health care access by CALD people in the PHN region. Activities must not duplicate or compete with existing services including private businesses and other government-funded services.

Grants under the PHN Multicultural Access Program will only be offered to eligible PHNs to deliver on the program objectives and commission health services within the boundaries of each PHN.

PHNs are encouraged to collaborate across boundaries where appropriate, in order to achieve better service integration and outcomes for their respective communities.

Service Delivery

- Address challenges and barriers some people from CALD backgrounds face when accessing primary health care (for example, but not limited to, language barriers, low health literacy, navigating unfamiliar systems);
- Address gaps in primary health care service arrangements accessed by people from CALD backgrounds;
- Improve primary health care service integration within PHN regions;
- Improve patient and community awareness and access to information on primary health care services for people from CALD backgrounds;
- Coordinate with multicultural and CALD organisations;
- Support CALD telephone advice and triage services without duplicating or competing with existing services;
- Support general practices to improve services or arrangements for people from CALD backgrounds;
- Improve the effectiveness or viability of medical deputising services for people from CALD backgrounds, especially in rural and remote areas;
- Support alternative providers;
- Strengthen viability of support services to expand or improve services for people from CALD backgrounds; and
- Supplement service provision to avoid Emergency Department admission, including referral to more appropriate care such as social services, medication support or drug and alcohol support services.

Multicultural Access Primary Health Care Planning

- Update the PHN Needs Assessment by assessing the multicultural needs of people from CALD backgrounds of the PHN Region;
- Use the Needs Assessment to inform the development and implementation of an evidence-based Activity Work Plan. The Needs Assessment should identify service gaps and barriers to ensure PHN commissioned activities do not duplicate or compete with existing services;
- Promote collaboration and partnerships that support the after hours care system to help meet the needs of the PHN region, including regional planning with Local Hospital Networks and local primary care service providers including Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations; and
- Consider opportunities for co-design and co-commissioning to enable more sustainable solutions.

Multicultural Access Primary Health Care Reporting

- Submit data and reporting against performance indicators, as outlined in the [PHN Program Performance and Quality Framework](#); and
- Implement systemic monitoring and evaluation of the local multicultural access programs.

Commissioning Contracted Services

- Ensure appropriate data collection and reporting systems are in place for all Contracted Services to inform service planning; and
- Monitor and evaluate Contracted Services to determine progress towards achieving expected outcomes.

3.3 Ineligible grant activities

You cannot use the grant for any activities not mentioned in section 3.2.

You cannot use the grant for:

- purchase of land
- paying ransom for ransomware, cyber-attack or any other type of cybercrime
- wages/salaries
- major capital expenditure, major construction/capital works
- the covering of retrospective costs
- paying ransom for ransomware, cyber-attack or any other type of cybercrime
- costs incurred in the preparation of a grant application or related documentation
- subsidy of general ongoing administration of an organisation such as electricity, phone and rent
- overseas travel
- activities for which other Commonwealth, state, territory or local government bodies have primary responsibility.

Not all expenditure on your [grant activity](#) may be eligible for grant funding. The Decision Maker makes the final decision on what is eligible expenditure and may give additional guidance on eligible expenditure if required.

PHNs may only spend the grant on eligible expenditure incurred on grant activities within the scope of the parameters at 3.2, guidance provided for each schedule and activity, and as agreed through Activity Work Plans and associated budgets; submitted to us by PHNs. Activity Work Plans are to be made available on each PHNs' website.

PHNs must incur the expenditure on grant activities between the start date and end date for the grant activity/grant agreement for it to be eligible.

3.4 Grant assessment

You must address all of the following assessment criteria in the application. All criteria have equal weighting.

The amount of detail and supporting evidence you provide in your application should be relative to the size, complexity and grant amount requested.

The application form includes text limits as indicated below. Attachments do not count towards the word limit.

Assessment Criterion 1: Demonstrate how you will deliver the PHN After Hours program in alignment with the grant objectives and outcomes.

(Limited to 1000 words)

Describe how the grant activity contributes to the objectives and outcomes of the grant opportunity as described at Section 3.2.

You must demonstrate this through identifying:

- how the activity proposed in your application aligns with the grant opportunity's high-level objectives and outcomes;
- how the activity proposed in your application will have a comprehensive reach and provide equity of access for vulnerable populations and underserved regions; and
- how you will identify, engage and collaborate with relevant stakeholders to ensure the effective delivery of the grant objectives and outcomes.

Along with your response to this criterion you must complete the Activity Work Plan (template on GrantConnect) and the risk plan for the one year of the grant activity. The activity work plan does not count towards the word limit for this criterion.

Assessment Criterion 2: Demonstrate your capacity and capability to deliver the activities

(Limited to 1000 words)

Describe relevant experience and expertise that demonstrates your organisations capacity and capability to successfully deliver the activities for this grant opportunity.

You must demonstrate this through identifying:

- your experience and past performance in delivering similar projects;
- evidence your organisation has the infrastructure and or relationships to support the successful delivery of the project;
- evidence your organisation has the capacity to support the delivery of the proposed activities.

Assessment Criterion 3: Demonstrate efficient, effective and ethical use of relevant money

(Limited to 1000 words)

Describe how you will ensure the efficient and economical use of grant funds to deliver your activities.

You must demonstrate this through identifying:

- how the activities will achieve cost-effective, high-quality outcomes;
- how your organisation will ensure grant money is expended in an efficient and ethical way, that addresses diversity and equity.

In addition to responding to this criterion, you must provide an Indicative Activity Budget (template available on GrantConnect) for the one year of this grant project, to be assessed annually, including:

- all activities associated with the project
- all costs associated with the activities.

A Descriptive Classification Scoring Method has been deemed the most appropriate scoring methodology for this grant opportunity, where only PHNs who have received a consistent 'Suitable' rating will be considered for future funding.

Table 3: Descriptive Classification Rating Scale

| Rating (for individual criterion) | Rank |
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| High/good quality – response against this criterion meets all/most sub-criteria to a higher than average/average standard. Evidence is available and provides support for claims against this criterion. | Suitable |
| Poor quality – poor claims against this criterion, meets some or none of the sub-criteria. Evidence is unavailable, not relevant or lacking in detail. | Not Suitable |

4. Who will approve the grant?

The department will establish an assessment team to ensure applications are eligible and compliant. They will also score applications against the selection criteria.. The assessment team may comprise of staff from across the department and could include contractors/consultants who will undertake training to ensure consistency in assessment. Any third parties are required to adhere to applicable requirements of the CCRGs, where they undertake grants administration on behalf of the Commonwealth.

After applications are scored against the criteria and quality assured they are referred to the assessment committee. The assessment committee then determines value for money. shortlists and makes recommendations to the decision maker on which applications to approve for a grant. The assessment committee will be made up of staff within the Primary

Care Access Branch of the department and may include representatives from other areas of the department and from outside of the department, as appropriate. The assessment committee chair will be the Director, After Hours Section, Primary Care Access Branch.

The assessment committee may seek additional information about you or your application. They may do this from within the Commonwealth, even if the sources are not nominated by you as referees. The assessment committee may also consider information about you that is available through the normal course of business.

The Assistant Secretary, Primary Care Access Branch (the Decision Maker) decides which grant(s) to approve taking into account the recommendations of the assessment committee and the availability of grant funds for the purposes of the grant opportunity.

The Decision Maker's decision is final in all matters, including:

- the approval of the grant
- the grant funding amount to be awarded
- the terms and conditions of the grant

There is no appeal mechanism for decisions to approve or not approve a grant.

5. Notification of the grant

We will advise you of the outcome of your application in writing. If you are successful, we will advise you of any specific conditions attached to the grant.

5.1 The grant agreement/Payment of the grant

You must enter into a legally binding grant agreement with the Commonwealth. We use the whole-of-government grant agreement templates in this program and will select the most appropriate depending on the size and complexity of your grant activity requirements.

Each agreement has general terms and conditions that cannot be changed. Sample grant agreements are available on the [Department of Finance's website](#). We will use a schedule to outline the specific grant requirements.

We must execute a grant agreement with you before we can make any payments. We are not responsible for any of your expenditure until a grant agreement is executed. If you choose to start your grant activities before you have an executed grant agreement, you do so at your own risk.

Your grant agreement may have specific conditions determined by the assessment process or other considerations made by the Decision Maker. We will identify these in the agreement.

The Commonwealth may recover grant funds if there is a breach of the grant agreement.

You will have 20 days from the date of a written offer to execute this grant agreement with the Commonwealth ('execute' means both you and the Commonwealth have signed the agreement). During this time, we will work with you to finalise details.

The offer may lapse if both parties do not sign the grant agreement within this time. Under certain circumstances, we may extend this period. We base the approval of your grant on the information you provide in your application.

You may request changes to the grant agreement. However, we will review any required changes to these details to ensure they do not impact the grant as approved by the Decision Maker.

5.2 Specific legislation, policies and industry standards

5.2.1 The Multicultural Access and Equity Policy

The Australian Government's [Multicultural Access and Equity Policy](#) obliges Australian Government agencies to ensure their policies, programs and services - including those provided by contractors and service delivery partners – are accessible to, and deliver equitable outcomes for, people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds.

Grant applicants should consider how they will ensure their services will be accessible to people from CALD backgrounds. For example, service delivery partners may require cultural competency skills. In addition, services, projects, activities or events may require the use of professional translating or interpreting services in order to communicate with clients who have limited English proficiency.

5.2.2 Commonwealth Child Safe Framework

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse highlighted the need for organisations to adopt child safe practices including appropriate screening of staff, mandatory reporting and adoption of the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. The Australian Government committed to a new Commonwealth-wide framework to protect children and young people it is responsible for – the [Commonwealth Child Safe Framework \(CCSF\)](#).

The Australian Government is considering appropriate ways to apply the requirements of the CCSF to grant recipients. A child safety clause will be included in a grant agreement where the Commonwealth considers the grant is for:

- services directly to children
- activities that involve contact with children that is a usual part of, and more than incidental to, the grant activity.

A child safety clause may also be included in the grant agreement if the Commonwealth considers the grant activity involves children more broadly.

The successful applicant will be required to comply with all child safety obligations included in the grant agreement or notified to the successful applicant prior to execution of the grant agreement.

Irrespective of the child safety obligations in the grant agreement, you must always comply with your state and territory legislative requirements for working with children and mandatory reporting.

5.2.3 National Redress Scheme

The [National Redress Scheme](#) for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Grant Connected Policy makes non-government institutions named in applications to the Scheme, or in the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse that do not join the Scheme, ineligible for future Australian Government grant funding. The National Redress Scheme Grant Connected Policy came into effect on 1 January 2021.

5.2.4 Australian Industry Participation (AIP) National Framework

The AIP framework applies to Australian Government grants of \$20 million or more (at the individual grant level). The purpose of the AIP plan is to identify opportunities for Australian industry to supply goods and services associated with the grant activity/ies where reasonable. Where an AIP plan is required (an individual grant of more than \$20 million is being paid) the successful applicant must develop the plan prior to entering into a grant agreement with the Commonwealth. For more information see the [Australian industry participation website](#).

5.3 Grant acquittal and reporting

PHNs must report on:

- progress against agreed grant activity milestones and outcomes; and
- expenditure of grant funding.

The amount of detail provided in reports should be relative to the size, complexity and grant amount.

We will monitor progress by assessing reports submitted by PHNs and may conduct site visits or request records to confirm details of reports if necessary. Occasionally we may need to re-examine claims, seek further information or request an independent audit of claims and payments.

Needs Assessment

The Needs Assessment must:

- analyse population health needs and services within your PHN Region;
- identify key issues and priorities for the PHN, providing the basis for service planning and commissioning; and
- be updated annually.

Activity Work Plan

The Activity Work Plan must:

- set out the planned activity, milestones and outcomes for each financial year of the Activity Period, including details of any Contracted Services;

- outline the annual Budget for the period by funding stream; and
- be updated annually.

Progress reports

Twelve Month Progress reports must:

- be provided and include requirements as set out in the Funding Agreement; and
- be submitted by the report due date (reports can be submitted ahead of time if all relevant activities have been completed).

PHNs must discuss any reporting delays with us as soon as they become aware of them.

Final report

When the grant activity is completed, the PHN must submit a final report.

Final reports must:

- identify if and how outcomes have been achieved;
- include the agreed evidence as specified in the funding agreement; and
- identify the total eligible expenditure incurred.

6. Announcement of grants

If successful, your grant will be listed on the GrantConnect website 21 calendar days after the date of effect as required by section 5.3 of the [CGRGs](#).

7. Grant evaluation

We will evaluate the performance of individual PHNs and the PHN Program in accordance with the PHN Performance and Quality Framework. We collect and analyse information provided by PHNs and collected from other sources.

Further information about the PHN Performance and Quality Framework and evaluation for the PHN Program is available on the [department's website](#)¹.

8. Probity

The Australian Government will make sure that the grant opportunity process is fair, according to the published guidelines, incorporates appropriate safeguards against fraud, unlawful activities and other inappropriate conduct, and is consistent with the CGRGs.

These guidelines may be amended periodically by the department. When this happens, the revised guidelines will be published on GrantConnect.

8.1 Freedom of information

All documents in the possession of the Australian Government, including those about this grant opportunity, are subject to the [Freedom of Information Act 1982](#) (FOI Act).

The purpose of the FOI Act is to give members of the public rights of access to documents held by Australian Government entities. Under the FOI Act, members of the public can seek access to documents held by the Australian Government. Access may be refused if a document contains “exempt” material, such as commercially valuable information or the personal or business information of a third party.

All Freedom of Information requests must be referred to the Freedom of Information Coordinator in writing.

By mail: Freedom of Information Coordinator
 FOI Unit
 Department of Health and Aged Care
 GPO Box 9848
 CANBERRA ACT 2601

By email: foi@health.gov.au

¹ http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/PHN-Performance_Framework

9. Glossary

| Term | Definition |
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| accountable authority | see subsection 12(2) of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 |
| administering entity | when an entity that is not responsible for the policy, is responsible for the administration of part or all of the grant administration processes |
| assessment criteria | are the specified principles or standards, against which applications will be judged. These criteria are also used to assess the merits of proposals and, in the case of a competitive grant opportunity, to determine application rankings |
| commencement date | the expected start date for the grant activity |
| Commonwealth Child Safe Framework | in response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sex Abuse, the Australian Government has introduced the Commonwealth Child Safe Framework , a whole-of-government policy that sets minimum standards for creating and embedding a child safe culture and practice in Commonwealth entities |
| Commonwealth entity | a Department of State, or a Parliamentary Department, or a listed entity or a body corporate established by a law of the Commonwealth. See subsections 10(1) and (2) of the PGPA Act |
| <i>Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines 2017 (CGRGs)</i> | establish the Commonwealth grants policy framework and articulate the expectations for all non-corporate Commonwealth entities in relation to grants administration. The CGRGs contain the key legislative and policy requirements and explain the better practice principles of grants administration |
| completion date | the expected date that the grant activity must be completed, and the grant spent by |
| co-sponsoring entity | when two or more entities are responsible for the policy and the appropriation for outcomes associated with it |
| date of effect | can be the date on which a grant agreement is signed or a specified starting date. Where there is no grant agreement, entities must publish information on individual grants as soon as practicable |
| decision maker | the person who makes a decision to award a grant |
| eligibility criteria | refer to the mandatory criteria which must be met to qualify for a grant. Assessment criteria may apply in addition to eligibility criteria |

| Term | Definition |
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| grant | <p>for the purposes of the CGRGs, a 'grant' is an arrangement for the provision of financial assistance by the Commonwealth or on behalf of the Commonwealth:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> under which relevant money² or other Consolidated Revenue Fund (CRF) money³ is to be paid to a grantee other than the Commonwealth; and which is intended to help address one or more of the Australian Government's policy outcomes while assisting the grantee achieve its objectives |
| grant activity/activities | refers to the project/tasks/services that the grantee is required to undertake |
| grant agreement | sets out the relationship between the parties to the agreement, and specifies the details of the grant |
| GrantConnect | is the Australian Government's whole-of-government grants information system, which centralises the publication and reporting of Commonwealth grants in accordance with the CGRGs |
| grant opportunity | refers to the specific grant round or process where a Commonwealth grant is made available to potential grantees. Grant opportunities may be open or targeted, and will reflect the relevant grant selection process |
| grant program | a 'program' carries its natural meaning and is intended to cover a potentially wide range of related activities aimed at achieving government policy outcomes. A grant program is a group of one or more grant opportunities under a single Portfolio Budget Statement Program |
| grantee / grant recipient | the individual/organisation which has been selected to receive a grant |
| National Redress Scheme | the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Grant Connected Policy makes non-government institutions named in applications to the Scheme, or in the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, that do not join the Scheme ineligible for future Australian Government grant funding. The National Redress Scheme Grant Connected Policy came into effect on 1 January 2021. |

² Relevant money is defined in the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (PGPA Act), chapter 1, section 8 Dictionary.

³ Other CRF money is defined in the PGPA Act. See section 105 Rules in relation to other CRF money.

| Term | Definition |
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| PBS Program | described within the entity's Portfolio Budget Statement , PBS programs each link to a single outcome and provide transparency for funding decisions. These high-level PBS programs often comprise a number of lower level, more publicly recognised programs, some of which will be Grant Programs. A PBS Program may have more than one Grant Program associated with it, and each of these may have one or more grant opportunities. |
| <i>Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013</i> (PGPA Act) | the PGPA Act establishes a system of governance and accountability for public resources with an emphasis on planning, performance and reporting. It applies to all Commonwealth entities and Commonwealth companies. |
| relevant money | <p>a. money standing to the credit of any bank account of the Commonwealth or a corporate Commonwealth entity; or</p> <p>b. money that is held by the Commonwealth of a corporate Commonwealth entity.</p> |
| selection criteria | comprise eligibility criteria and assessment criteria |
| selection process | the method used to select potential grantees. This process may involve comparative assessment of applications or the assessment of applications against the eligibility criteria and/or the assessment criteria. |
| value with money | <p>value with money in this document refers to 'value with relevant money' which is a judgement based on the grant proposal representing an efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of public resources, and determined from a variety of considerations.</p> <p>When administering a grant opportunity, an official should consider the relevant financial and non-financial costs and benefits of each proposal including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the quality of the project proposal and activities • fitness for purpose of the proposal in contributing to government objectives • that the absence of a grant is likely to prevent the grantee and government's outcomes being achieved; and • the potential grantee's relevant experience and performance history. |