Grants and funding

Cancer Australia has been allocated funding to implement the following components of the Australian Government’s National Cancer Plan:

- a dedicated cancer research budget
- support for cancer clinical trials
- the 'Supporting people with cancer' program
- the Improved lung cancer data and treatment guidelines measure.

The funding provided to Cancer Australia to implement programs and administer as grants is detailed in the annual report.

Grants and funding opportunities

Cancer Australia administers several grants programs, providing support for cancer research, cancer clinical trials and cancer support networks. We work in partnership with other organisations and groups to ensure the most effective and efficient use of our resources.

All Cancer Australia grant opportunities and grants awarded are published on the Australian Government’s grants information system, GrantConnect  [www.grants.gov.au/](http://www.grants.gov.au/)

At times, as part of our other work programs, we also seek through a Request for Tenders process, to engage outside organisations to undertake specific work on our behalf. Requests for tenders are advertised on the [AusTender website](http://www.austender.gov.au/) and maybe advertised in the media.

- **Supporting people with cancer Grant initiative**
  Cancer Australia’s Supporting people with cancer Grant initiative aims to reduce the burden of cancer through the provision of grants to community organisations and encourage effective partnerships between organisations in order to improve coordination, accessibility and development of quality cancer support networks to better support people affected by cancer. The Grant initiative is an annual program that invites applications through an Invitation to Apply (ITA) in the first quarter and announces successful grant recipients in the third quarter of each financial year.

- **Supporting men with prostate cancer**
  The Australian Government, through Cancer Australia, has provided funding to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia (PCFA) of $3.9 million over three years (2011-2014) to provide national, evidence-based information, resources and psychosocial support for men affected by prostate cancer and their families.

- **Priority-driven Collaborative Cancer Research Scheme**
  The [grant application](http://www.canceraustralia.gov.au) period opens in December and closes in March each year. Successful recipients are announced in December each year.

- **Support for Cancer Clinical Trials Program**
  The Support for Cancer Clinical trials program provides capacity building support to Australia’s Multi-site Collaborative Cancer Clinical Trials Groups to develop cancer clinical trial protocols to the stage of application for grant funding.

- **Ralph Lauren Pink Pony seeding grants**
The Ralph Lauren Pink Pony seeding grants provide funding to support community based organisations to implement initiatives that aim to improve access to quality information, support and services for women with breast cancer in Australia. One round of seeding grants will be offered each year. Successful recipients will be awarded grants on the basis of a competitive selection process, with the number and value of grants determined by the applications received in each round.

The Cancer Australia Procurement and Grants Complaint Handling Policy (DOC 47.5KB) (PDF 118 KB) provides guidance to participants in procurement or grants processes who wish to lodge a complaint.