**Expressions of Interest Form – Infrastructure Proposals 2023**

GMA members are invited to submit expressions of interest (EOI) to access funding to develop clinical trial network (CTN) research infrastructure. Up to $800K is available from GMA over two years from 2024-25. Teams who submit successful EOIs will progress through a consultation phase with the GMA network, before final decisions are made about award of infrastructure funds. This process will ensure that the resulting infrastructure best meets the needs of the GMA-CTN. EOIs will be evaluated based on the following criteria. These criteria should each be addressed in detail and with supporting evidence where possible in the (2-page) EOI proposal document.

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| **Criteria for GMA-CTN Infrastructure Proposals*****1. Utilisation by GMA members.*** It should be clear that GMA members are likely to use the proposed infrastructure in their own research, and that in doing so, the infrastructure will support the quality and impact of that research. The case for utilisation should draw on specific examples of existing research where possible. ***2. Contribution to innovative clinical trials.*** In addition to enhancing the quality and impact of clinical trials by GMA members, the proposed infrastructure should support innovative practices and designs in clinical trials. Specific examples of such practices from the literature should be cited to address this.***3. Potential to strengthen funding applications.*** A major function of the GMA-CTN is to enhance the success of members’ grant applications to external funding agencies (e.g., NHMRC; MRFF). The proposed infrastructure should therefore have the potential to strengthen such research funding applications, and help to maximise the success of applications that are ‘endorsed’ by the GMA-CTN.***4. Sustainability.*** Applicants should address how the proposed infrastructure will continue to be accessible to members once the original MRFF funding for the GMA-CTN expires. Where relevant, the case for sustainability should address financial strategies/models for personnel attached to specific infrastructure.***5. Mission and values of GMA.*** The proposed infrastructure should be consistent with the overall mission and values of GMA, in terms of the research to which it will be applied, and the stakeholders who will benefit. |

**In 2022 GMA-CTN Workshops, researchers identified interest in resources/systems related to:**

i) A digital commons (e.g., databases) to manage, access, and manipulate large volumes of data from varied sources/sites;

ii) technology to enhance delivery and support related to clinical interventions;

iii) translational research;

iv) lived experience inclusion;

v) health economics;

vi) statistical methods and big data analyses;

vii) support for large-scale (network-wide) research that maximise inclusion of investigators and core methods across the GMA-CTN.

Submission of EOIs for this round will close 5pm Friday 23 June 2023. Please submit all applications via email: growing-minds-australia@sydney.edu.au.

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| APPLICATION DETAILS |
| BRIEF TITLE (describing the proposed infrastructure) |  |
| LEAD APPLICANT NAME |  |
| POSITION & INSTITUTION |  |
| EMAIL |  |
| PHONE |  |
| ADDITIONAL TEAM MEMBERS (name, affiliation and role in proposed team) | [e.g., Jill Smith, Deakin University, Lived Experience Consultant] |
| BUDGET (estimate of the overall cost to develop the infrastructure. Further detail can be included if available) |  |

**Proposal**

Briefly describe the infrastructure that you propose to develop and address the application criteria, using the following headings (2 pages maximum). Please use single spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font. Applicants must ensure the font is readable. Pages must have 2 cm top, bottom, left and right margins.

A. Description of proposed infrastructure:

B. Criteria for GMA-CTN Infrastructure Proposals:

1. Utilisation by GMA members.

2. Contribution to innovative clinical trials

3. Potential to strengthen funding applications.

4. Sustainability.

5. Mission and values of GMA.