

## Who is Franklin Women?

Franklin Women is a community for women working in health and medical research and related careers. We believe investing in women working in the health sciences is important. It is for this reason we are developing a scholarship program to help overcome some of the barriers commonly cited by those building careers in the health and medical research field.

## Franklin Women Carer's Travel Scholarship

### Purpose of the scholarship

Franklin Women is offering a travel scholarship for health and medical researchers who are the primary carer of one or more children under 5 years of age. The scholarship (up to \$1500) is to assist the recipient to present their research at a conference by contributing to the costs associated with childcare while the recipient is attending the conference. The funds can be used in whatever way is best for the recipient's personal circumstances, for example, to fund a companion to attend the conference or fund additional days of formal childcare. We hope this scholarship will assist a talented researcher disseminate their findings and build career connections at a conference they might have otherwise found difficult to attend.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for the scholarship you must:

- Have a poster or oral abstract accepted for a national or international conference in 2016 (there are two conference rounds depending on the date of the conference, see 'Due Date' below).
- Have already acquired some or all funding for your conference attendance (e.g. your conference registration, flights etc)
- Be currently employed or enrolled as a PhD student in the health and medical research field at a university or research institute in Australia (or on institute-approved parental leave)
- Be the primary carer of one or more children under 5 years of age
- Be a full or student member of Franklin Women at the time of applying
- Have not previously received a Franklin Women travel scholarship
- Contribute to a Franklin Women blog or newsletter on conclusion of the travel

### Application requirements

Your application must demonstrate your commitment to an academic health and medical research career, other contributions you have made to the health and medical research field (such as teaching and community engagement), and exactly how the scholarship will support your attendance at the proposed conference.



Applications must include:

- Completed application form (see Franklin Women website)
- Relevant supporting documents:
  - Curriculum vitae (maximum 4 pages) outlining your employment history, key publication and conference track record, and other relevant activities (noting career disruptions where relevant)
  - Letter of support from your Head of School/Head of Research Group that confirms your academic position. This letter must also disclose any other funding that is available to support the proposed trip (e.g. conference registration, flights, accommodation) and any carer's support already provided.
  - Copy of the accepted abstract (if you are an invited speaker please provide an abstract for your presentation for the reviewers to consider and evidence of acceptance)

### **Due date**

**Round 1:** For conference travel before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Applications open January 2016 and close Friday 11th March 2016 (close of business).

**Round 2:** For conference travel between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016. Applications open July 2016 and close Friday 12th August 2016 (close of business).

Completed applications are to be submitted by email to: [hello@franklinwomen.com.au](mailto:hello@franklinwomen.com.au)

No late submissions will be accepted.

### **Reimbursement process**

The successful applicant will be advised in writing one month following the due date, with a request to nominate a bank account. Franklin Women will directly transfer the award amount in the specified account, which is to be used by the successful applicant as specified in their application. The funds will be administered retrospectively should the date of conference travel be prior to notification.

### **Further information**

For any additional information on the scholarship or the submission process, contact Franklin Women at [hello@franklinwomen.com.au](mailto:hello@franklinwomen.com.au)

Privacy notice: The information supplied on a scholarship application is required by Franklin Women in order to assess candidates for this funding scheme. Franklin Women reserves the right to reverse or vary any decision made if it is found that the decision has been made on the basis of incomplete or incorrect information supplied by the applicant. Franklin Women may publicise the names, areas of research and other relevant details of successful applicants. The information provided in the application will be provided to members of the Franklin Women NSW Peer Advisory Committee as part of the review process.

