

# Cancer Clinical Academic Group Secondment / Exchange Program

## Expression of Interest

## Introduction and Objective

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The Sydney Partnership for Health, Education, Research and Enterprise (SPHERE) is a partnership between 14 leaders in health, education and medical research. The aim of the Partnership is to expedite the path for positive medical research discoveries into clinical use. The Partnership has four key objectives:

- Strong alignment between partners that result in improved care and health outcomes for local populations.
- Enhanced educational and learning experiences in a variety of clinical and non-clinical settings.
- Research discovery and rapid translation of those discoveries and innovations to patient and population benefit.
- Strong relationships with industry and local communities to improve health and generate wealth.

The Cancer CAG actively incorporates 10 of the 14 SPHERE partner organisations, bringing together clinicians and researchers from three universities, four cancer services (with six major treatment facilities) and three Medical Research Institutes. Our combined research strength spans the translational medicine spectrum of bench to bedside and health service delivery. Through the partnership, we are leading coordinated programs of work within four areas of focus:

- Bringing 'OMICS' into clinical practice
- Cancers with poor outcomes
- Living better with and after cancer
- Reducing unwarranted variation in clinical practice

The Cancer CAG supports capacity building and networking across the SPHERE partnership. Placements and exchange are an opportunity to promote network development and researcher training by linking partner organisations, health districts and clinical/laboratory environments.

## Funding

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Funds of **up to \$20,000** are available to support secondment or exchange across the network. Funds can be used towards travel, standard per diem costs, backfill (excluding full clinical backfill), administration costs and/or research consumables.

## Eligibility and Assessment

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Applications are to be competitive and made via an EOI. Both parties/organisations must be SPHERE partners and demonstrate support with signoff. The exchange must provide tangible product(s) for the individual(s) and their teams.

General funding support rules will apply, including that the activity serves to better connect the SPHERE network. The reviewers will focus on the relevance of your application to the Secondment & Exchange objectives, alignment to the [Cancer CAG strategy](#), appropriateness of budget, contribution to your professional development and value to your team(s).

## Submitting an Application

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Using the following template please submit your completed EOI by email to [medicine.themes@unsw.edu.au](mailto:medicine.themes@unsw.edu.au).

There is no deadline for submission of this EOI. Applications will remain open each calendar year until available funds have been expended.

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**CANCER CAG SECONDMENT / EXCHANGE  
EOI Template**

**1. Area of Focus**

<b>Primary Cancer CAG Area of Focus</b>	Choose an item.
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**2. Applicant Information**

Title	Choose an item.
Full Name	
Employing organisation	
Job title	
Phone	
Email	

**3. Secondment / Exchange Outline**

Dates or timeframe	
Topic	
Brief proposal	
Benefits to both the individual and group	
Detailed budget	

#### 4. Cancer Clinical Academic Group partner organisation approval

##### Partner 1

Cancer CAG organisation	Choose an item.		
<b>Approver</b>			
Name			
Position			
Employing organisation			
Job title			
Email			
Postal address			
Signature		Date	

##### Partner 2

Cancer CAG organisation	Choose an item.		
<b>Approver</b>			
Name			
Position			
Employing organisation			
Job title			
Email			
Postal address			
Signature		Date	

Add tables as needed for additional partners.