

September 2024

Only have 60 seconds?

- Ramsay Research Month is here (1-30 September) where we celebrate the incredible research efforts across the network. <u>Click here</u> to see what's on and how to get involved
- Social Determinants of Health Innovation Grant is currently open and taking applications, closing on Thursday 10th October. <u>Click here</u> for more information and to apply.
- Translational Challenge Grant round opens on Tuesday 17th September 2024. <u>Click</u>
 <u>here</u> for more information, or contact <u>info@rhrf.org.au</u> if you have questions.

Got a bit more time?

Ramsay Research Month

During the month of September, we take the time to celebrate all the research happening right across Ramsay Health Care's network. Our research is guided by our mission...

"To provide better outcomes for our patients, to investigate the diseases and illnesses which affect them and to progress the learning and development of those who care for them."





3-Minute Video Competition

We invite all Ramsay accredited researchers, VMO's, staff or research groups undertaking research at a Ramsay Health Care site to participate in our three-minute video competition for your chance to win a \$1000 gift voucher (<u>T&C's apply</u>).

<u>To enter</u>, simply create a video under three minutes that explains the background, method and impact of your research and submit it along with a 150 word abstract.

Submissions close on 30th September at 11.59pm.

Social Determinants of Health Innovation Grant Launched



Ramsay Hospital Research Foundation (RHRF) is seeking to develop a sustainable approach to addressing <u>social determinants of health (SDH)</u> in partnership with other healthcare and community organisations.

If your research addresses health inequalities among **women, regional & rural populations or people aged over 60** we strongly encourage you to see if you're eligible to apply for our Social Determinants of Health Innovation grant, which offers up to \$800,000 in funding per project.

Applications closing 10th October 2024

Click here to Apply

Newly Awarded Grants

Two more Translational Challenge Grants have been confirmed. Congratulations to the following Principal Investigators and their teams.

Keep your eyes peeled for more grant announcements in the near future, as we continue to finalise additional projects.



Professor Jeanne Tie Principal Investigator

Project Title:

Exploring the Utility of Peritoneal Tumour DNA to Detect Clinically Occult Peritoneal Metastasis in Locally Advanced Colorectal Cancer (Detect-PM).

Project Aim:

This project aims to use state-of-the-art technology to analyse cancer DNA in abdominal fluid in bowel cancer patients to accurately identify peritoneal disease at the micro-metastatic stage and predict future relapse. early detection of microscopic peritoneal spread will provide opportunity for earlier intervention (e.g., intra-peritoneal chemotherapy) to prevent peritoneal relapse and improve survival.

- Primary Ramsay Sites: Peninsula Private Hospital, VIC
 - Warringal Private Hospital, VIC
 - Albury Wodonga Private Hospital, NSW



Professor Peter Youssef Principal Investigator

Project Title:

Improving mobility and preventing falls in hospitals: adaptation and implementation of a cost-saving program.

Project aim:

The project team designed and tested a mobility and falls prevention program that has proven to be cost-saving and effective at improving mobility. This project aims to implement and test this program in two Sydney hospitals with intention to improve mobility, quality of life, patient satisfaction and improve staff capability and confidence in safe mobility practices and falls prevention.

Primary Ramsay Site:

Št George Private Hospital, NSW

Womens Health Week: 3rd September

Department of Obstetric Medicine and Obstetric Medicine Research Unit

This Women's Health Week, we are proud to spotlight the remarkable achievements of Dr. Sarah Price and the transformative impact of the RHRF-funded Obstetric Medicine Research Unit at the Royal Women's Hospital and Frances Perry House.

The research unit is addressing a critical gap in maternal health care. Many maternity care providers currently lack the specialised knowledge and experience necessary to effectively manage complex medical conditions during pregnancy.

Over the past year, the team has established a dedicated department staffed by experienced physicians and a research fellow. An Obstetric Research Group has also been formed, bringing together physicians, research nurses, and dedicated research facilities.

The unit is actively involved in national and international research projects, and is supervising three PhD students, with plans expand its mentorship and support for future researchers.



"I want to make sure an increasingly diverse population of women are able to pursue pregnancy if they want to and to pursue it safely."





Publications

Congratulations to a few of our grant recipients and investigators on their recently published work.

Nina Roxburgh

Will older adults be represented in patient-reported data? Opportunities and reality Bioethics special issue 'Digitalisation, health and ageing

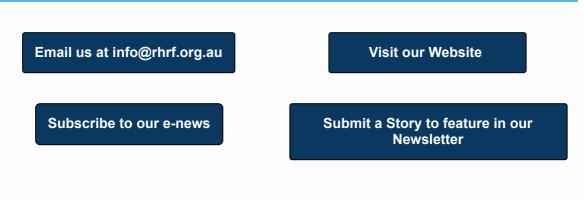
Dr Sarah Price

The challenges of distinguishing different causes of TMA in a pregnant kidney transplant recipient. Case Reports in Nephrology

Strategies to improve postpartum engagement in healthcare after high-risk conditions diagnosed in pregnancy: a narrative review. Archives of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Associate Professor Rosemary Saunders Prevalence of frailty and pain in hospitalised cancer patients: implications for older adult careInternational Medicine Journal.

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