

# Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic

## Expression of Interest

### Grant Guide

#### Background

The Australian Government has committed \$770,000 over three years to support one GP practice in the Darling Downs and West Moreton PHN region to enhance its capability and capacity to care for patients with endometriosis, pelvic pain, and perimenopause or menopause symptoms.

The funding will enable an existing GP practice with a focus on women's health to become a specialised Endometriosis and Pelvic Pain Clinic (EPPC). The Clinic will aim to improve the diagnosis and management of endometriosis and pelvic pain, offering timely, appropriate care and better pain management for affected patients.

The selected EPPC will be formally commissioned by the Darling Downs and West Moreton PHN and will be subject to associated reporting and accountability requirements.

This investment is part of a national initiative expanding the EPPC network from 22 to 33 clinics across Australia.

#### Purpose

The intention of these EPPCs is to maximise the role of GP/nurse led multidisciplinary care teams to embed the management of endometriosis and pelvic pain and treatment of perimenopause and menopause symptoms, as a core part of the care pathway for these conditions optimising primary care.

It is expected that this Clinic will enable appropriate endometriosis care and management, leading to improved diagnosis timeframes and appropriate pain management for impacted patients. EPPCs can also provide care, support, treatment and management of symptoms associated with menopause, including throughout the menopause transition (perimenopause) and post-menopause.

#### Objectives

The objectives of the grant opportunity are to:

- improve access for patients to diagnostic, treatment and referral services for endometriosis and pelvic pain;
- improve access for patients to care, treatment, management for perimenopause and menopause;
- increase access to allied health and support services;
- increase access to healthcare for patients from priority populations, particularly those in underserved communities;
- provide access to new information, care pathways and networks;
- provide an appropriately trained workforce with expertise in endometriosis, pelvic pain, perimenopause and menopause.

## Outcomes

The intended outcomes of the grant opportunity are to:

- increase access to an appropriately trained primary care workforce with capability and expertise in endometriosis, pelvic pain, perimenopause and menopause;
- increase capability (awareness, knowledge and skills) for primary care health professionals in the diagnosis, treatment and management of endometriosis and pelvic pain and the support, management and relief of symptoms for perimenopause and menopause;
- improve system capacity (workforce, capital or equipment) to facilitate access to diagnosis, treatment and management of endometriosis and pelvic pain and support, management and relief of symptoms for perimenopause and menopause;
- improve community awareness of care and support available, including diagnostic, treatment, and referral services for endometriosis, pelvic pain, perimenopause and menopause;
- increase access to evidence-based care and support services, either through a nurse navigator or referral pathway, relating to endometriosis, pelvic pain, perimenopause and menopause;
- increase access to new information, support resources, care pathways and networks.

## Funding available

Funding will be granted to the value of \$770,000 over 3 years (excluding GST) and will commence in the 2025-26 financial year.

## Eligible Activities

Funding may be used for a wide range of activities including but not limited to advanced training qualifications, further study, additional practice staff (e.g. allied health, nurse navigators), enhanced referral pathways with local providers, equipment purchase, education resources and activities for patients, their families and carers.

## Selection criteria

Provided the eligibility and selection criteria has been satisfied, each grant application will be assessed for suitability for nomination to the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing. Only two clinics can be nominated from the PHN region.

Please use the [Assessment Criteria Guide](#) to inform your submission.

## Application process

Practices who would like to be considered for nomination are invited to complete the [Expression of Interest Online Form](#). Applications will be evaluated by the PHN and shortlisted for nomination based on the strength of their submission to meet the Department's assessment criteria.

GP practices are encouraged to apply should they meet most of the assessment criteria, and/or where a genuine need in the local area has been identified and the GP practice is able to demonstrate how it could utilise the funding to meet the assessment criteria.

## Application Dates

Applications will close 2pm, Wednesday 30 July 2025.

EOIs will be evaluated by a panel and applicants will be notified of their nomination outcome in August 2025.

## How to apply

All applications are to be submitted via the EOI online form.

## Application Resources

For helpful information about preparing a grant submission, you may find it helpful to visit the resources below:

- <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/check-if-youre-ready-to-apply-for-a-grant> (Australian Government)
- [How to write a healthcare or medical business proposal \(Proposal Kit\)](#)
- [Writing a successful grant proposal \(Victoria University\)](#)
- [How to write a winning tender response \(illion Tenderlink\)](#)

## Enquiries

Questions in relation to this EOI should be forwarded to [practicesupport@ddwmpnh.com.au](mailto:practicesupport@ddwmpnh.com.au).

In the interest of probity and equity, all questions and responses will be provided to all applicants via email. Please be aware that any new information provided in addition to this EOI, will be made available to all potential applicants.

This information is correct as at 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2025.