

Australia invests additional \$6.7 M to improve cancer outcomes

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To support and improve outcomes for all Australians affected by cancer



The Australian Government is investing an additional \$6.7 million to support and improve outcomes for all Australians affected by cancer.

In 2020, an estimated 150,000 new cases of cancer were diagnosed in Australia, with around 50,000 Australians tragically passing away.

As part of this investment-

- \$4.7 million to support strengthening supportive and primary cancer care and genomic cancer clinical trials in Australia; national leadership in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cancer control, and the development of an Optimal Care Pathway for Neuroendocrine Tumours (NETs).
- \$2 million to investigate children's brain cancer, breast cancer, melanoma and lymphoma, and other important areas of cancer research through Cancer Australia's Priority-driven Collaborative Cancer Research Scheme (PdCCRS)

The funding will be delivered in partnership with Cancer Australia, who is convening a Ministerial Roundtable at Parliament House as part of the first step in the development of a visionary ten-year Australian Cancer Plan.

Cancer Australia will develop the Australian Cancer Plan in consultation with key stakeholders within two years.

The Australian Cancer Plan will set out the key national priorities and action areas over the next 10 years to improve outcomes for Australian's affected by cancer. It will also cover prevention, early diagnosis, treatment and palliative care, while providing for the unique needs of specific cancer types and populations.