NHMRC invites Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander researchers working in health and medical research to submit an Expression of Interest to attend a building and strengthening capacity workshop with First Nations researchers from Canada and New Zealand.

This is a commitment under the Tripartite Agreement that NHMRC has with the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and Health Research Council (HRC) of New Zealand.

Since 2002, the NHMRC, CIHR and HRC have shared a commitment to work within and between agencies to improve the health of our Indigenous peoples. The current letter of intent was signed in 2017 and is valid for five years.  

One of the objectives of the partnership is to strengthen the capacity and capability of Indigenous health and medical researchers. To meet this objective, the partners will hold a workshop with a focus on building and strengthening capacity of Indigenous researchers. The workshop will be held from 2-4 December in Auckland, New Zealand.

The workshop will bring together early career, mid-career and established researchers to discuss capacity and capability building, emerging and current leadership and strengthening the linkages between Australia, Canada and New Zealand. Participants will also be encouraged to form mentor/mentee and supportive peer relationships with participants from other countries. NHMRC will fund up to ten researchers to attend the workshop.

The assessment criteria are:

- Contribution to workshop
- Benefit to research and career
- Identified examples of commitment to capacity and capability building
- Mentoring contribution and/or mentee potential

The Expression of Interest form can be found here (link to form to be inserted).

Responses are due by 4 November 2019 to pcic@nhmrc.gov.au