### Targeted Calls for Research Prioritisation Criteria Rubric

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| **3 High**              | The proposed topic identifies:  
  • a **significant** research knowledge gap  
  • a **high** burden of disease  
  • a **high** prevalence, mortality, morbidity and/or cost  
  • **sufficient** research capacity and capability in Australia to undertake research on the proposed topic  
  The current research effort is relatively **small**. | Research from a TCR will result in:  
  • **new and improved** policy and practice  
  • a **substantial** reduction in healthcare costs  
  • **significantly improved** prediction, identification, prevention and/or management of the condition  
  • a **significant** contribution to the global research effort | It is likely that:  
  • research outcomes will **rapidly and significantly** advance knowledge in the relevant area  
  • research will **significantly** improve health outcomes for the community generally, targeted groups within the community and/or people with a specific health condition  
  • funding will provide a **significant** boost to the relatively small NHMRC funding for this topic |
| **2 Moderate**          | The proposed topic identifies:  
  • a **moderate** research knowledge gap  
  • a **moderate** burden of disease  
  • a **moderate** prevalence, mortality, morbidity and/or cost  
  • **sufficient** research capacity and capability in Australia to undertake research on the proposed topic  
  The current research effort it **moderate**. | Research from a TCR will result in:  
  • **improved** policy and practice  
  • a **moderate** reduction in healthcare costs  
  • **improved** prediction, identification, prevention and/or management of the condition  
  • a **moderate** contribution to the global research effort | It is likely that:  
  • research outcomes will **moderately** advance knowledge in the relevant area  
  • research will **moderately** improve health outcomes for the community generally, targeted groups within the community and/or people with a specific health condition  
  • funding will provide a **moderate** boost to NHMRC funding for this topic |
| **1 Low**               | The proposed topic identifies:  
  • **minor or inconsequential** research knowledge gap  
  • a **low** burden of disease  
  • a **low** prevalence, mortality, morbidity and/or cost  
  • **limited** research capacity and capability in Australia to undertake research on the proposed topic  
  The current research effort is **high**. | Research from a TCR will result in:  
  • **minimal or no change** in policy or practice  
  • **minimal or no reduction** in healthcare costs  
  • **minimal or no improvement** to prediction, identification, prevention and/or management of the condition  
  • **minimal** contribution to the global research effort | It is **not likely** that research outcomes will rapidly and significantly advance knowledge in the relevant area  
  • Research is **not likely** to improve health outcomes for the community generally, targeted groups within the community and/or people with a specific health condition  
  • Funding is **not necessary** to provide a boost to the NHMRC funding for this topic |