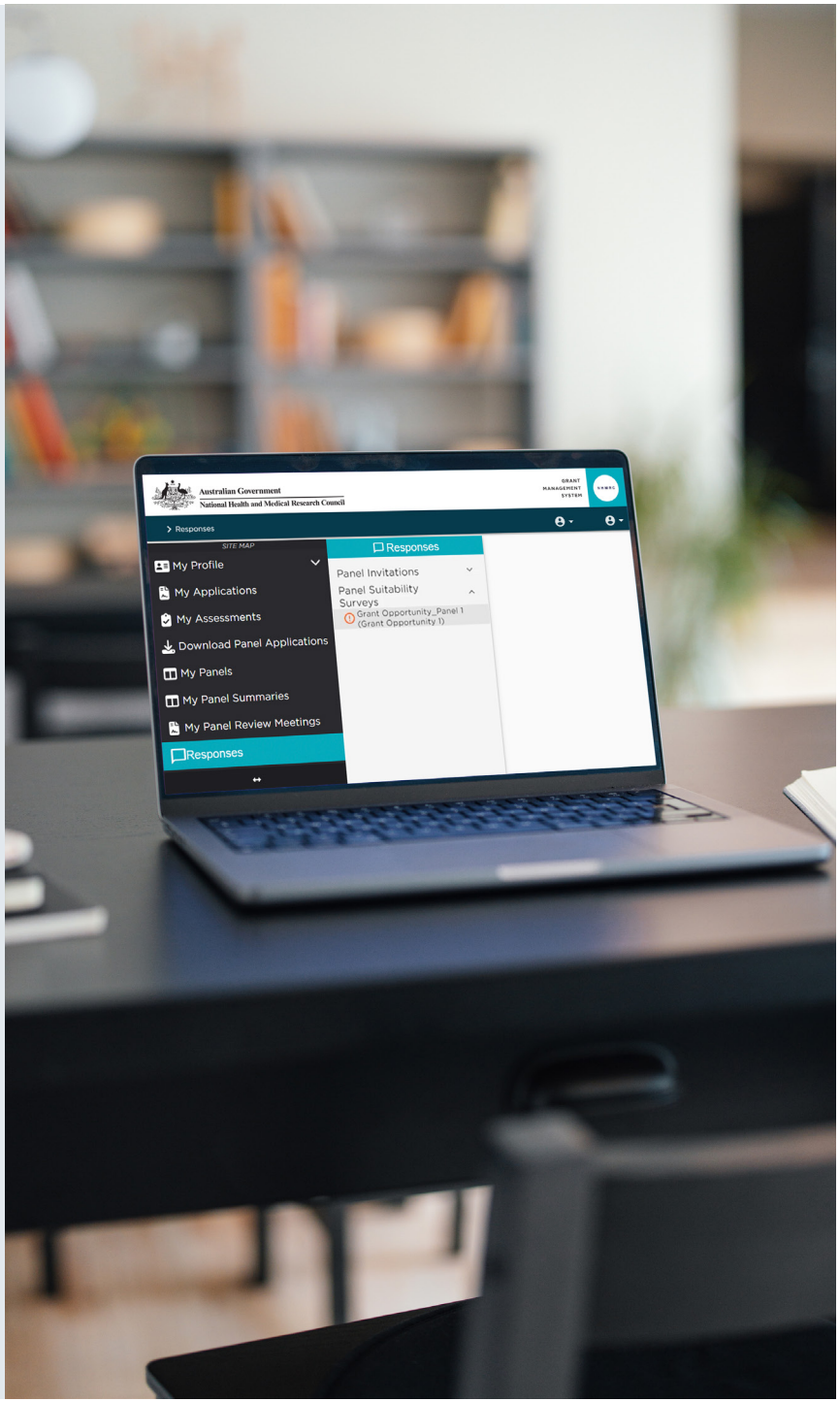
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GRANT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

STYLE GUIDE



Logo

NHMRC Grant Management System is the new name for the platform currently known as ‘Sapphire’.

The logo is made up of 2 components. ‘Grant Management System’ (as text) and the NHMRC square logo.

Logo principles

- It should always appear alongside the Australian Government crest logo
- The words Grant Management System should never be separated from the NHMRC logo
- The NHMRC square logo colour is always teal
- The preferred background is white.





Logo variations

There are 4 variations of the NHMRC Grant Management System logo.

1. Full colour left align (preferred option)
2. Full colour right align
3. Full colour left align reverse
4. Full colour right align reverse.

Where possible use the preferred option on a white background.

Transparent background

All file formats have a white background for the NHMRC circle and a transparent background behind the words Grant Management System.

Alignment

Use the full colour left align version for all instances except if it needs to appear in the top right hand corner of a browser, in which case use the right aligned version.



1. Full colour left align (preferred)



2. Full colour right align



3. Full colour left align reverse



4. Full colour right align reverse

File formats

Illustrator (.ai)

- Use this for print documents
- This format has only one file with four artboards.

SVG

- Use this for digital platforms where responsive design is available.

PNG

- Use this online or in Microsoft documents such as Word or PowerPoint.

JPEG

- Use this online or in Microsoft documents such as Word or PowerPoint
- There is no reverse version of the logo in JPEG format (JPEGs can't have transparent backgrounds).



NHMRC_GMS_logo**.ai** (artboard 1)
NHMRC_GMS_full colour left**.svg**
NHMRC_GMS_full colour left**.png**
NHMRC_GMS_full colour left**.jpg**



NHMRC_GMS_logo**.ai** (artboard 2)
NHMRC_GMS_full colour right**.svg**
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NHMRC_GMS_full colour right**.jpg**



NHMRC_GMS_logo**.ai** (artboard 3)
NHMRC_GMS_full colour left reverse**.svg**
NHMRC_GMS_full colour left reverse**.png**



NHMRC_GMS_logo**.ai** (artboard 4)
NHMRC_GMS_full colour right reverse**.svg**
NHMRC_GMS_full colour right reverse**.png**

Colours

The branding colours for NHMRC Grant Management System are teal, black and white.

The NHMRC square logo should always be teal with a white circle.

Teal

C 100 M 0 Y30 K0
R 0 G 171 B 189
#00ABBD

Black

C 0 M 0 Y0 K100
R 0 G 0 B 0
#000000

White

C 0 M 0 Y0 K0
R 255 G 255 B 255
#FFFFFF

Background colours

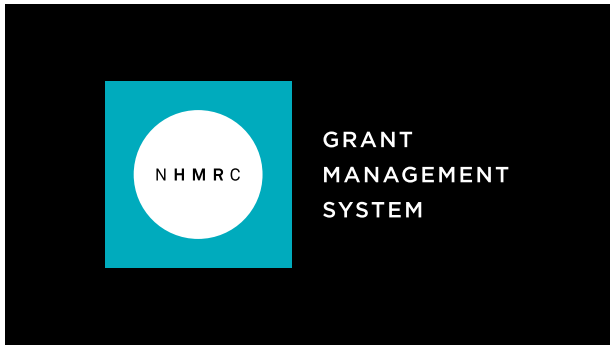
White background

- Use the full colour logo when placed on a white background.



Dark background

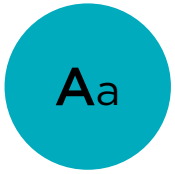
- Use the full colour reverse logo when placed on a dark background
- The NHMRC circle never changes – it always remains white.



Digital accessibility

When using the Grant Management System branding on digital platforms, ensure text and interactive elements meet WCAG 2.2 Level AA colour contrast requirements. Do not rely on colour alone to communicate meaning. Use the approved logo files and provide appropriate alternative text where the logo conveys information.

WCAG AA accessible combinations



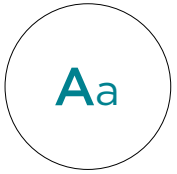
Foreground
Black #000000

Background
Teal #00ABBD



Foreground
Teal #00ABBD

Background
Black #000000



Foreground
Dark teal #00818F

Background
White #FFFFFF



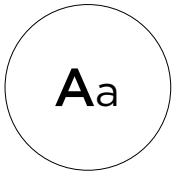
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Background
Dark teal #00818F



Foreground
White #FFFFFF

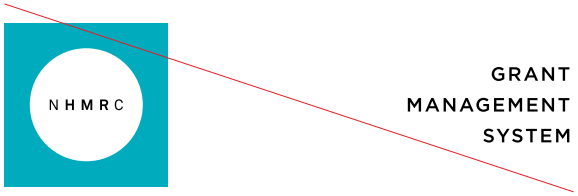
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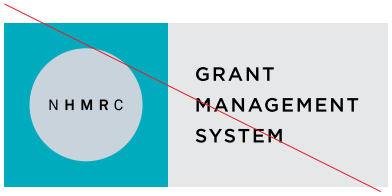
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What not to do



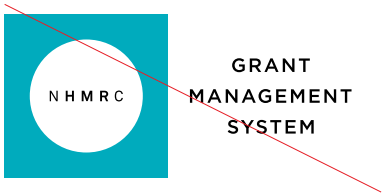
- Do not separate the logo components



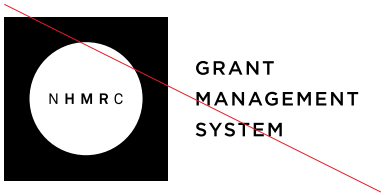
- Do not make the background of the NHMRC circle transparent



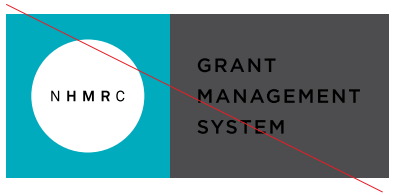
- Do not use the words Grant Management System on their own



- Do not change the alignment of the text



- Do not change the colour of the NHMRC logo



- Do not use the full colour logo on a dark background (choose the reverse version instead)



- Do not use the Sapphire logo



- Do not re-name Grant Management System to NHMRC GMS

FAQs

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1. What is changing?

NHMRC is changing the name and branding of Sapphire to NHMRC Grant Management System.

2. Why is Sapphire being renamed?

The new name provides a clear and straightforward description of the platform and a more sustainable identity for the future.

3. Is this a new grant management system?

No. NHMRC Grant Management System is the new name for the platform currently known as Sapphire.

4. Is the platform itself changing?

Not as part of this rebrand. The change relates to the platform's name and branding.

5. Will the way I apply for NHMRC grants change?

No changes to grant application processes or requirements are being introduced through the rebrand.

If a grant opportunity has specific requirements, applicants should continue to follow the relevant Grant Opportunity Guidelines and NHMRC advice.

6. Do I need to create a new account?

No. The change of name does not require users to create a new account.

7. Will my existing application or grant information be affected?

The rebrand does not change existing applications or grant information.

8. Why can I still see the name Sapphire?

The transition is occurring progressively. For a period, users may see both Sapphire and NHMRC Grant Management System while systems, webpages, documents and guidance are updated.

9. Which name should I use?

As NHMRC introduces the new branding, NHMRC Grant Management System will become the standard name. References to Sapphire may continue to appear during the transition.

10. Do I need to update anything?

No immediate action is required from researchers, RAOs, administering institutions or eligible organisations.

11. Are Grant Opportunity requirements changing?

No. Grant processes and requirements remain unchanged unless NHMRC advises otherwise.

12. When will the change happen?

Updates will be introduced progressively from late 2026 and continue into early 2027.

13. Where can I get help?

For questions relating to a particular grant opportunity, application or instruction, contact help@nhmrc.gov.au.