



# Targeted Call for Research into Frailty in Hospital Care: Complex Health Care

## for funding commencing in 2019

NHMRC opened a Targeted Call for Research into Frailty in Hospital Care: Complex Health Care on 31 October 2018 and closed on 30 January 2019. Due to an administrative issue at the close of minimum data which disadvantaged some applications, NHMRC elected to reopen this call in the interests of equity and fairness.

The re-opened call closed on 21 March 2019.

The aim of implementing the call was to encourage research that will address how frail persons can be supported to avoid hospitalisations, receive optimal care when admitted, and achieve the best health outcomes, through integrated and coordinated in-and post-hospital interventions.

Applications received during the call were peer reviewed by an expert panel. Following peer review, three applications were funded by NHMRC. Details of the awarded grants are provided below:

App ID	Chief Investigator A	Application Title	Administering Institution	Budget
APP1174447	Professor Sarah Hilmer	Optimising quality use of medicines in hospital to improve outcomes in frail older people	University of Sydney	\$1,200,390.00
APP1177847	Professor Susan Kurrle	The FORTRESS Study (Frailty Older People Rehabilitation Treatment Research Examining Separate Settings)	University of Sydney	\$1,470,000.00
APP1178519	Associate Professor Ruth Hubbard	The GOAL Trial: Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment for Frail Older People with Chronic Kidney Disease to Increase Attainment of Patient-Identified Goals: A Cluster Randomised Controlled Trial	The University of Queensland	\$1,508,908.00