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# Targeted Call for Research into Participation in Cancer Screening Programs 2021

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## For funding commencing in 2022

NHMRC opened a Targeted Call for Research ([TCR](#)) into Participation in Cancer Screening Programs 2021 (PCSP) on 23 June 2021. Applications closed on 18 August 2021.

The purpose of the PCSP TCR is to develop the evidence base for future policies, interventions and other initiatives to increase participation across the three national Cancer Screening Programs – breast, bowel, and cervical.

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

App ID	Chief Investigator A	Application Title	Administering Institution	Budget
APP2014703	Professor Mark Jenkins	SMARTERscreen: A randomised controlled trial of patient SMS messaging in general practice to increase participation in the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program	University of Melbourne	\$1,595,838.95
APP2014837	Dr Elizabeth Buckley	A breakthrough approach to define screening gaps in priority groups to target screening	University of South Australia	\$601,260.25
APP2014908	Associate Professor Lisa Whop	Embedding community driven models to increase cervical screening via HPV self-collection to improve cervical cancer outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	Australian National University	\$1,579,683.10
APP2014964	Dr Eleonora Feletto	MAIL, GP, and SCALE: Mobilising national bowel cancer screening Program participation through combining individual, health Service, and population Level interventions	University of Sydney	\$1,749,059.70

APP2015178	Dr Claire Nightingale	"It's a gamechanger" – using HPV self-collection to improve equity and participation in Australia's National Cervical Screening Program	University of Melbourne	\$1,408,759.50
APP2015215	Professor Deborah Bateson	Overcoming Inequity: Increasing Cervical Screening Participation for People with Intellectual Disability (CIRCE)	Family Planning NSW	\$1,433,806.71
APP2015286	Associate Professor Jennifer Stone	BreastScreenPlus: A novel intervention targeting obesity-related barriers to mammographic screening	University of Western Australia	\$819,444.70
APP2015290	Professor Gail Garvey	A preference-informed model to improve access and equity in bowel screening for Australia's First Nations people through home care services	The University of Queensland	\$994,552.30